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Education & Qualifications:

Birmingham Conservatoire (2003-2009): Mmus, PGDip, & PGCert in Oboe Performance (Commendations), BMus(Hons) degree in Performance (Class 2.1)

Studying Modern Oboe with George Caird, Richard Weigall & Jenni Philips

Studying Modern Cor Anglais with Anna Cooper

Studying Period Oboes with Gail Hennessey

Samuel Whitbread Community College (2001-2003): 3 A Levels inc. Music (BBD), 3 AS Levels (ABC)

Samuel Whitbread Community College (1999-2001): 13 GCSE's (A*-B), Key Skill in Number (Level 3)

Musical Qualifications:

2011: ABRSM Grade 4 Flute: Distinction

ABRSM Grade 4 Clarinet: Distinction

2008: ABRSM Grade 8 Soprano Saxophone: Distinction

2003: ABRSM Grade 8 Oboe: Merit

2000: ABRSM Grade 5 Theory: Pass

ABRSM Grade 5 Viola: Pass

1999: ABRSM Grade 5 Violin: Pass

1998: Royal School of Church Music: Red Ribbon

Music Competitions & Prizes:

2007: City of Birmingham Symphony Orchestra (CBSO) Scheme Competition Winner

2007: Antony Miller Oboe Prize Winner

2007: Sylvia Cleaver Chamber Music Prize Finalist

2004: City of Birmingham Symphony Orchestra (CBSO) Youth Orchestra

Orchestral Schemes:

2008-9: Orchestra Europa & The Royal Philharmonic Orchestral Scheme*

2007-9: London Philharmonia Scheme

2007-8: City of Birmingham Symphony Orchestra (CBSO) Orchestral Scheme

2004-5: City of Birmingham Symphony Orchestra (CBSO) Youth Orchestra

Teaching Experience:

2010-Present: Oboe, Recorder and Recorder Group Tutor for 'Hallfield School', Edgbaston.

2010-Present: Woodwind (Oboe Specialist) Tutor for 'High Clare School', Erdington.

2009-Present: Oboe Specialist for 'Ellesmere College', Shropshire.

2008-Present: Woodwind (Oboe Specialist) Tutor for 'Holy Trinity School', Kidderminster.

2007-Present: Woodwind (Oboe Specialist), Wider Opportunities (WCIT), 'Early Years' and Ensemble Tutor/Conductor for Dudley Performing Arts.

2006-2009: Woodwind (Oboe Specialist) Tutor for 'The Priory School', Edgbaston.

2003-Present: Private Oboe family, Theory, & Reed-Making Tutor.

Other Relevant Work Experience:

2006-Present: Reed-Maker and Cane Supplier

2000-2009: Instrumental Repairing Assistant for Graham de Vere White of 'John Myatts', Hitchin.

Relevant Voluntary Work:

2008: Birmingham Conservatoire Accompanist's Page-turner

2007-2008: Postgraduate Student Representative for Birmingham Conservatoire Masters Students

2006: Oboe Tutor for the 2006 BASBWE (British Association of Symphonic Bands and Wind Ensembles) Festival Teaching Class

2001-2003: Volunteer Tutor/Assistant Conductor for Shefford Town Junior Band.

References:

Performance: Professor George Caird (Modern Oboe Tutor) & Gail Hennessey (Period Oboe Tutor)

Teaching: Rebecca Dawkins (Head of Woodwind, Dudley Performing Arts)

Academic: Dr Shirley Thompson (Lecturer, Birmingham Conservatoire)

All Contact Details Available on Request

Selected Orchestral Experience: * Denotes a Principal Position

- Lincoln Cathedral Choir Orchestra* (2011)
- Electric Cinema Film Orchestra* (Inc. a recording of the film soundtrack to the 2011 documentary film “The Last Projectionist”) (2011)
- Sospiri Baroque Players (2011)
- Radley College Baroque Orchestra (2011)
- Marches Baroque* (2011)
- Lincoln Cathedral Orchestra* (2011)
- Operamus* (2010)
- Corelli Orchestra (2010 - Present)
- Brook Street Band* (2010)
- Purcell Orchestra (2010)
- Armonica Consort (2010 - Present)
- London Baroque Sinfonia (2010)
- Dunedin Consort (2010)
- Welsh Baroque Orchestra* (2010)
- Birmingham Bach Choir Baroque Orchestra (2010)
- St James Players (2010)
- Ex Cathedra* (Inc. an Orchard Classics Recording) (2009-Present)
- Opera Theatre Company (Inc. a month tour of Ireland & Buxton Early Music Festival) (2009-10)
- Feinstein Ensemble (2009)
- Consort Pleon* (Inc. 3 concerto performances) (2009-Present)
- 18th Century Orchestra (2009-Present)
- Birmingham Cathedral Festival Orchestra* (2009)
- Linden Baroque Orchestra* (2009)
- Rick Wakeman ‘Six Wives Tour’ Rock Orchestra* (2009)
- Guildhall School of Music and Drama Classical Orchestra (2009)
- Nottingham Baroque Orchestra (2009)
- Manchester Baroque Festival Orchestra* (2009)
- Clare Baroque Orchestra (2009)
- Cambridge University Collegium Musicum* (2009)
- Charivari Agreeable* (Inc. an Albinoni Oboe Concerto in 2010 and a Delphian recording in 2011) (2008-Present)
- Phoenix Singers Charity Orchestra* (2008-10)
- Rachel Podger Baroque Orchestra* (2008-Present)
- Brecon Baroque* (2008-Present)
- Midlands Early Music Forum* (2008-Present)
- Orchestra Europa – Europes Orchestral Academy* (2008-9)
- Manchester Baroque (2008)
- Royal College of Music (RCM) Baroque Orchestra* (2008)
- La Nuova Musica (2008)
- Kenilworth Festival Orchestra* (2008)
- Gabrieli Consort and Players (Inc. a tour to Poland with a live TV and radio broadcast) (2008)
- Knighton and District Music Society Ensemble* (2008)
- Christian Union Ensemble* (As part of a CD Recording) (2008-10)
- Hampshire Sinfonietta* (Inc. an Albinoni double oboe concerto performed throughout a tour of France) (2008)
- Musical and Amicable Society Baroque Orchestra (2008-2009)
- London Mozart Symphony Orchestra (LMSO)* (Inc. a 2 week tour of China and a Radio 3 Performance) (2007-8)
- Mortimer Society Productions* (Inc. a CD released in September 2008) (2007)
- Birmingham Cathedral Chorus Orchestra* (2007)
- Leeds Baroque Orchestra (2007)
- Chandos Symphony Orchestra* (2007)

- London Brandenburg Baroque Sinfonia* (2007)
- Incorporated Society of Musicians Composers Ensemble (2006)
- BASBWE Regional Conference Wind Orchestra* (2006)
- All Birmingham Conservatoire Ensembles* (Inc. a concert in the presence of Boulez) (2003-9)

Professional Recordings

- Charivari Agreeable : Delphian Records (2011)
- Electric Cinema Film Orchestra : “The Last Projectionist” Film (2011)
- Ex Cathedra : Orchard Classics Records (2009)
- Gabrieli Consort and Players : Polish TV and radio broadcast (2008)
- London Mozart Symphony Orchestra (LMSO)* Live Radio 3 Performance (2008)

Selected Solo Work

- Consort Pleon* (Inc. a tour of an Albinoni Oboe Concerto and Handel Trio Sonata in 2011) (2010-Present)
- Belsize Baroque* (Inc. 2 Handel, 2 Vivaldi and 2 Venturini Concertos) (2009-Present)
- Charivari Agreeable* (Inc. an Albinoni Oboe Concerto in 2010) (2008-Present)
- Soloist for the ‘Messiaen 2008 Centenary Conference’* (2008)
- Hampshire Sinfonietta* (Inc. an Albinoni double oboe concerto performed throughout a tour of Southern France) (2008)
- Birmingham Cathedral Recital Series Soloist* (2007)
- Birmingham Conservatoire Capelle Orchestra* (Inc. a Performance of a Vivaldi Double Oboe Concerto in 2007 Conducted by Jeffery Skidmore) (2004-9)

Selected Chamber Music

- Consort Pleon* (Including a tour of an Albinoni Oboe Concerto and Handel Trio Sonata in 2011)
- International Double Reed Society Convention (IDRS) Baroque Oboe Marching Band* (2009)
- International Double Reed Society Convention (IDRS) Wind Ensemble* (2009)
- Mlardi Wind Sextet* (2008)
- Cinquevento Wind Quintet* (2008)
- Jackdaws ‘Orchestra of the Age of Enlightenment’ Trio Sonata Course* (2007)
- Proteus Chamber Orchestra*(2007)

Selected Residential Music Courses

- Dartington International Summer School Baroque Orchestra, Chamber Ensembles, & Oboe Band* Sponsored by The Leverhulme Trust and Dartington International Summer School – 90% Scholarships to study under Gail Hennessey and Mark Radcliffe (2007-11)
- York Trust Baroque Orchestra* (2008)
- Vacation Chamber Orchestra* (2008)
- London Amadeus Orchestra* - 50% Scholarship to study under Edwin Roxburgh for a tour of China (2007-8)
- Jackdaws ‘Orchestra of the Age of Enlightenment’ Trio Sonata Course* (2007)
- City of Birmingham Symphony Orchestra (CBSO) Youth Orchestra (Conducted by Sakari Oramo) (2004-5)

Pit Orchestra Work

- Dick Whittington (2012)
- Jack and the Beanstalk, Oliver, The Secret Garden (2011)
- Ahmal and the Night Visitors, Alcina, Little Women, Mother Goose (2010)
- Alcina, Aladdin (2009)
- Acis and Galatea, Theadore, The Pirates of Penzance, Fiddler on the Roof, Puss In Boots, Kiss Me Kate (2008)
- The Sorcerer, Oliver, Jekyll and Hyde (2007)
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- Les Miserables (2004)
- West Side story (2002)
- Sweet Charity, The Wizard of Oz (2001)
- Oliver (2000)