

Teaching Experience

- **Jazz Combo/Big Band Instruction and Jazz Theory Instruction**
Canyon Crest Academy High School—San Diego, CA, September 2006 - Present
- **Assistant Director, National Guitar Workshop**
www.guitarworkshop.com
Duties include running day to day operations and scheduling, managing faculty and staff, concert production, guest artist relations, teaching, and student relations
West Coast program—Los Angeles, Seattle and San Francisco campuses, July 2004 - Present
- **Graduate Teaching Assistant, San Diego State University**
History of Rock/Pop Music—Fall 2008 - Spring 2009
Jazz Guitar Ensemble Instructor—Spring 2009
Jazz Combo Instructor—Spring 2010
- **Guitar Instructor, Mark's Guitar Exchange**
<http://marksguitarexchange.com/lessons.htm>
February 2003 - present
- **Private In-Home Instruction**
September 2001 - present
- **Guitar Instructor, College Avenue School of the Arts (College Ave. Baptist Church)**
June 2002 - August 2003
- **Guitar Instructor, Heartland Christian School**
September 2002 - June 2003

Performance History

- Actively perform at major venues throughout the Southern California Region with various jazz groups ranging in size from solo guitar to Big Band
- Experienced in numerous genres including jazz, Latin, rock, pop, blues, and Celtic music
- Selected member of the California Institute for the Preservation of Jazz (CIPJ) All Star Band in 2007 and 2009. Included performances with jazz saxophone legend James Moody
- Numerous television appearances on KUSI San Diego, WB network San Diego, and NBC San Diego.
- Multiple live radio appearances on KSDS Jazz 88.3, San Diego
- Extensive experience performing in a variety of settings, including formal concerts, club and restaurants gigs, corporate events, private parties, and weddings
- Toured nationally and released two albums with Tooth and Nail Records recording artists Born Blind 1998 - 2001

Education

- *Master's of Music, Jazz Studies, San Diego State University*
- *Bachelor's of Music, Jazz Studies, San Diego State University*
- *Private study with jazz guitarists Bob Boss, Jody Fisher, John Stowell and Joe Diorio*
- *Jazz composition, arranging and improvisation studies with jazz pianist Rick Helzer*