

**Connecticut Music Educators Association Northern Region Concert Band
Virtual Workshop
Saturday January 16, 2021 1:00pm - 2:00pm**

Congratulations on your acceptance into the Connecticut Music Educators Association Northern Region Concert Band. Although we can't hold a traditional festival this year, there will be the opportunity to participate in a virtual workshop on Saturday, January 16th at 1:00 pm.

This workshop will be led by Mr. Keith W. Hodgson. Keith W. Hodgson is the Director of Music Education at the University of The Arts in Philadelphia, PA. See biography on next page.

CMEA Northern Region Virtual Workshop will consist of the following

"Let's Conduct!" Conducting 101

Holst Eb Suite Mov. I - Virtual Rehearsal.

Students that don't have access to their instrument will have a copy of the score to conduct and follow along

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fLbP6qpI1YI&feature=emb_logo

Parts and Score can be downloaded here

https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1vC_XKR99bPQOIs2KeARb43yufHtTWF71?usp=sharing

"Why Music? Music for a Lifetime!"

Hodgson's "TOP 10!"

PREPARATION & EQUIPMENT: This workshop will be participatory. Please select a space where you can play your instrument and be sure to warm up in advance.

WORKSHOP DRESS: Please be sure to dress professionally for this virtual workshop. "Business casual" is recommended. Do follow your school's dress code.

LINK: The workshop link will be sent to your director by Thursday, January 14th.

If you have any questions, please email Mr. Minnerly or Mr. Splettstoesz in advance of the workshop.

Best,

Scott Minnerly
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Keith W. Hodgson, Music Educator, Conductor, Clinician



Keith W. Hodgson is the Director of Music Education at the University of The Arts in Philadelphia, PA. He teaches graduate & undergraduate conducting, percussion methods, is Director of the Master of Arts in Teaching program (MAT), oversees the music education minor program, fieldwork experiences and supervises student teachers in their elementary and secondary field placements.

Mr. Hodgson currently serves as President to the Eastern Division of the National Association for Music Education, is a Past-President of the New Jersey Music Educator's Association, a National Board Certified Teacher, the recipient of the 2014 New Jersey Governor's Award in the Arts for

Leadership in Music and was a Grammy Nominated Music Educator Quarter Finalist in 2014.

Mr. Hodgson holds a Bachelor's Degree in Music Education from William Patterson University, NJ and his Masters Degree in School Leadership and Administration from Rowan University, NJ with Supervisor and Principal Certifications. Mr. Hodgson's teaching career includes twenty-six years as a high school band director in New Jersey, the majority of which were as Director of Instrumental Music at Mainland Regional HS in Linwood, NJ. His experience with concert, jazz, marching, orchestra and chamber ensembles is extensive.

Mr. Hodgson is the Conductor and Music Director for the South Jersey Area Wind Ensemble, an adult community band of music educators and professional musicians. Mr. Hodgson has held the principal conducting post of the SJAWE since its founding in 1997. Mr. Hodgson is also the Head Director of the American Music Abroad Gold Tour, an annual three-week summer music tour of band, choral and orchestra students performing in six countries throughout Europe. He has over 20 years experience in group travel and performing for European audiences in Austria, Belgium, Croatia, Czech Republic, France, Germany, Holland, Hungary, Italy, Luxembourg, Slovenia and Switzerland.

Mr. Hodgson is an active guest conductor for high school honor bands, community bands and summer music camps as well as a band and orchestra clinician, guest speaker and professional development presenter. He annually presents at numerous state, regional and national conferences. In 2007, he presented at the prestigious Midwest Clinic in Chicago on the music certificate for The National Board of Professional Teaching Standards. As a conductor, he has studied with many master conductor/teachers including Edward Lisk, Stephen Melillo, Anthony Maiello and Mallory Thompson among others. His guest conducting appearances have included honors ensembles in NJ, CT, MD, NY, PA, AK, AL and Europe.

Mr. Hodgson is proud to be Conn-Selmer Educational Clinician, an Educational Consultant for Zeswitz Music and an adjunct professor at Stockton University in Galloway, NJ. He was honored as the recipient of the 2016 Distinguished Service Award by the New Jersey Music Educators Association. He is also a WorldStrides Heritage Festivals Adjudicator and a contributor to a new edition of a GIA Band Curriculum Guide by the American School Band Directors Association.

