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*Keith W. Hodgson, Director of Music Education*

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, oversees the music education music minor program, the Master's in Teaching (MAT) program and observes student teachers in their field placements.

Mr. Hodgson currently serves as President-Elect 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 was 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 it's 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 and choral students performing in 5-6 countries throughout Europe. Mr. Hodgson is an active guest conductor for high school honor bands, community bands and summer music camps; a band clinician and guest speaker and professional development presenter. He has presented in numerous state, regional and national conferences including the 2007 MidWest Clinic in Chicago. His guest conducting appearances have included honors groups in NJ, CT, NY, PA, AK, & AL.

As a conductor, he has studied with many master conductor/teachers such as Ed Lisk, Stephen Melillo, Anthony Maiello, Peter Boonshaft and Mallory Thompson among others. Mr. Hodgson was honored as the recipient of the 2016 Distinguished Service Award by the New Jersey Music Educators Association, is a distinguished Conn-Selmer Institute VIP and nominated to the 2016 Class of the American School Band Directors Association.

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