

William Combs

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Education:

Doctorate of Musical Arts, Trombone Performance and Pedagogy University of Colorado Boulder, Colorado	Anticipated Graduation: Fall 2018 Anticipated ABD: Spring 2018
Performance Certificate, Trombone Performance University of Denver, Colorado	June, 2014
Master of Music, Trombone Performance University of Denver, Colorado	June, 2013
Bachelor of Music, Music Performance and Education Texas Tech University, Lubbock, TX	May, 2011

Primary Teachers

Dr. William Stanley, Professor of Trombone, CU Boulder

Dr. Joseph Martin, Professor of Trombone, University of Denver

Paul Naslund, Second Trombone, Colorado Symphony Orchestra/Sabbatical Professor of Trombone, University of Denver

James T. Decker, Professor of Trombone, Texas Tech University

Additional Studies

Southeast Trombone Symposium, Participant Class Columbus State University: Columbus, GA	2012, 2014
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Faculty: Atlanta Symphony Trombone SectionPerformed in Master Class for Nathan Zgonc	

Rafael Mendez Brass Institute University of Denver: Denver, CO	2008 – 2015
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Faculty: Members of Summit Brass	

Teaching Experience:

College Level

Instructor of Trombone Department of Continuing Education, University of Colorado, Boulder, CO	2016 – 2017
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Teach weekly trombone lessons and administer semester juries to non-major undergraduate studentsCreate lesson curriculum and assignments for individual students	
Doctoral Student University of Colorado, Boulder, CO	2015 – Current
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Presented lectures in Music Appreciation, Collaborative Piano Class and Trombone StudioConducted the CU Trombone Choir	
Graduate Teaching Assistant University of Denver, CO	2011 – 2013
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Conducted Trombone Choir	

Pre-College Level

Private Lesson Studio Lubbock, TX & Denver, CO	2010 – Current
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Currently 10-15 regular weekly students, 5th – 12th grade• Teach trombone, tuba, French horn and trumpet• Students accepted into University music programs at CU Boulder, University of Northern Colorado, and University of Iowa• 2017: Cherry Creek District Honor Band – 3 Students, Colorado State University Honor Band – 1 student, Blue Knights Call-backs – 1 student• 2016: Cherry Creek District Honor Band – 3 Students, Blue Knights Call-backs – 1 student	
Arapahoe High School: Instructor of Low Brass Littleton, CO	2017 – Current
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Lead sectionals for the low brass section of all three concert ensembles	
Douglas County School District: Elementary Brass Instructor Castle Rock, CO	2014 – 2015
Henry World School: Middle School Band Assistant (Brass) Denver, CO	2014 – 2015
Cherry Creek High School: Brass Chamber Music Coach Denver, CO	2013 – 2014
Idalou High School: Student Teacher Idalou, TX	Spring 2011
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Trombone Quartet – Advanced to State Solo and Ensemble Competition	
Lubbock Youth Symphony Orchestra: Philharmonic Brass Coach Lubbock, TX	2010

Performance Experience:

Ensembles

Denver Philharmonic Orchestra: Principal Trombone Denver, CO	2014 – Current
Denver Municipal Band Denver, CO	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Second Trombone• Substitute Trombone• Substitute Trombone Jazz	2015 – Current 2011 – 2014 2011 – Current
Colorado Mahler Festival Orchestra Boulder, CO	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Second Trombone• Acting Principal Trombone	2015 – Current 2017
The Classical Brass (quintet) Denver, CO	2014 – Current
Metropolitan Jazz Orchestra: Substitute Trombone Denver, CO	2012 – Current
Colorado Wind Ensemble: Utility/Substitute Principal Trombone Denver, CO	2012 – Current

Cheyenne Symphony Orchestra: Substitute Trombone Cheyenne, WY	2017
Pro Musica Chamber Orchestra: Trombone Boulder, CO	2016
Boulder Chamber Orchestra: Trombone Boulder, CO	2015
Longmont Symphony Orchestra: Substitute Principal Trombone Longmont, CO	2016
Arapahoe Philharmonic Orchestra: Substitute Trombone Denver, CO	2016
Texas Tech University Jazz Trombone Ensemble: Director/Lead Trombone Lubbock, TX	2011

Selected Performances

Denver Philharmonic/Bavarian Philharmonic Collaboration Herkulesaal: Munich, Germany	21 Oct 2017
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Guest Principal Trombone: Mozart - Requiem 	
Punctum Musicum Chamber Series: "Unusual Pairings" Denver, CO	June 2017
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Featured Soloist: Larsson - Concertino, Rachmaninoff/Brown - Vocalise 	
Denver Philharmonic Orchestra Chamber Series: "Mixed Drink" Dazzle Jazz Club: Denver, CO	26 April 2017
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Artistic Advisor • Featured Soloist: Larsson - Concertino 	
Denver Philharmonic Orchestra Chamber Series: "Blended Brass" Dazzle Jazz Club: Denver, CO	8 March 2017
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Artistic Advisor • Principal Brass Quintet: Bernstein/Gale - West Side Story • Featured Soloist: Bach - Bouree from Cello Suite No. 3 	
Denver Philharmonic Orchestra Chamber Series: "Mixed Drink" Dazzle Jazz Club: Denver, CO	26 April 2016
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Featured Soloist: Barber - Tabloid 	
Denver Philharmonic Orchestra Chamber Series: "Blended Brass" Dazzle Jazz Club: Denver, CO	2 March 2016
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Principal Brass Quintet: Ewald - Quintet No. 1 • Featured Soloist: Bernstein - Elegy for Mippy 2 	
"Dancing at the Crossroads": Folk Music Production Lubbock, TX and Austin College - Sherman, TX	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Premier Cast - Brass Bass: Trombone • Tour Cast - Brass Bass: Trombone 	1-2, 8-9 February 2013 6 September 2014
Concerto Performance: Lamont Wind Ensemble Denver, CO	30 January 2013
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Solo Trombone Trio: Daugherty - Rosa Parks Boulevard 	

Recording Credits

Colorado Mahler Festival Orchestra: Live Festival Recordings 2015 – 2017

- Mahlerfest XXVIII – Mahler: Symphony No. 9 (2015)
- Mahlerfest XXIX – Mahler: Symphony No. 7 (2016)
- Mahlerfest XXX – Mahler/Cooke: Symphony No. 10 (2017)

Denver Philharmonic Orchestra: Battle of the Batons 2014
Youtube: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YAHU5meic4>

Brass & Organ: Feel the Sound, Published: CD Baby ASIN: B008WAM0KI 2012
Utility Trombone, Denver Brass

Performance Achievements

Ictus International Music Competition: 1st Place – Community Ensemble Division 2017
Denver Philharmonic Orchestra: Denver, CO

Mock Orchestral Audition Competition: Semi-Finalist 2012, 2014
Southeast Trombone Symposium: Columbus, GA

Orchestral Solo Competition: Finalist
Texas Tech University: Lubbock, TX

- Grondahl – Concerto 2010
- Martin – Ballade 2009

Related Professional Experience:

Denver Philharmonic Chamber Series: Artistic Advisor 2016 – Current
Denver, CO

- Coordinated and rehearsed personnel for all concerts
- Programmed repertoire for brass chamber concert

Rafael Mendez Brass Institute: Staff Member 2012 – 2016
Denver, CO

- Set up rehearsal and class rooms; aided participants and faculty; ushered concerts

Lamont Wind Ensemble/Trombone Studio: Graduate Teaching Assistant 2011 – 2013
University of Denver, Denver, CO

- Served as librarian and personnel manager for the Lamont Wind Ensemble and TA for the trombone studio
- Maintained and organized the library, kept attendance, organized extra musicians, and creating programs. I was also an assistant conductor for the trombone choir, often conducting and rehearsing the ensemble in the absence of the professor.

Professional/Service/Honor Organizations

Colorado Mahler Festival Board 2017 – Current
Boulder, CO

- Treasurer: 2017 – Current

International Trombone Association 2009 – Current

Pi Kappa Lambda Honor Society 2009 – Current

Texas Music Educators Association 2006 – 2011

Iota Tau Alpha, Trombone Service Organization 2006 – 2011
Texas Tech University: Lubbock, TX

- Treasurer: 2008 – 2010