

# BENJAMIN THOMAS MASON

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## EDUCATION

Point Loma Nazarene University  
Taught: Seminar in Composition, Music Education Seminar,  
Introduction to Music, Music Theory I and III, Orchestration,  
Special Topics in Music Theory  
San Diego, CA  
2012

University of Southern California  
Graduate Certificate- Scoring for Motion Pictures and Television  
Composition studies with Joel McNeely, Eric Schmidt  
Los Angeles, CA  
May 2011

The University of Georgia  
Master of Arts- Conducting  
Conducting studies with Mark Cedel, Alan Crowell, John Lynch  
Athens, GA  
May 2009

The Peabody Institute at Johns Hopkins University  
Master of Music- Composition  
Bachelor of Music- Composition  
Piano studies with Marian Hahn and Nancy Roldan, Composition with Bruno Amato, Electronic Composition with Greg Boyle, Conducting with Harlan Parker, Violin with Melina Geiger  
Baltimore, MD  
May 2005  
May 2004

## ADDITIONAL STUDIES

ORGAN WITH KEITH REAS  
WASHINGTON, DC

ORGAN WITH CHARLES TOMPKINS, FURMAN UNIVERSITY  
GREENVILLE, SC

PIANO WITH RUBY MORGAN, FURMAN UNIVERSITY  
GREENVILLE, SC

PIANO WITH LANA BAILEY, PRESIDENT-NATIONAL FEDERATION OF MUSIC CLUBS  
WOODBIDGE, VA

VIOLIN WITH VERNON SUMMERS, NATIONAL SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA  
FAIRFAX, VA

## RELEVANT WORK EXPERIENCE

First Presbyterian Church  
*Pianist and Organist*  
Granada Hills, CA  
2010-Present

- Provide organ and piano accompaniment using different styles weekly.

Peachtree Arts Academy  
*Artistic Director*  
Peachtree City, GA  
2006-2010

- Served as conductor for all guest artists.
- Taught violin, viola, piano, organ, composition, conducting, and music theory.
- Managed the overall music program providing artistic and administrative leadership.
- Hired, led, and supervised music teachers.
- Increased enrollment from twenty students the first year to over two hundred by the third year.
- Developed keyboard curriculum for students of all levels.
- Arranged a yearly concert series providing clear, consistent communication.
- Managed team building insuring concerts were implemented and run successfully.
- Served as liaison between all parties including artists involved in the productions.
- Administered monthly and yearly budgets for the concert series and academy.
- Oversaw student progress providing clear communication between students, parents, and teachers.

Carriage Lane  
*Director of Music*  
Peachtree City, GA  
2005-2010

- Conducted and rehearsed all choirs and ensembles.
- Managed the overall music program providing artistic and administrative leadership.
- Arranged the scheduling of musicians weekly.
- Distributed notes, copies, and other relevant information to all involved.
- Communicated daily with groups and community answering questions and concerns.
- Orchestrated and arranged music for a choir and chamber group weekly.
- Led music from the piano and organ weekly.

The Peabody Institute at Johns Hopkins University Baltimore, MD  
2004-2005  
*Opera Outreach Coach and Pianist*

Coached, directed, and conducted the opera outreach program at the Peabody Institute.

*New Music Ensemble Conductor* 2003-2005

- Conducted the new music ensemble at the Peabody Institute.

*Theory and Composition Tutor* 2004-2005

- Tutored theory and composition students and conducted group review classes.

Glen Burnie Arts Academy Glen Burnie, MD  
2003-2005  
*Music Instructor*

- Provided weekly instruction to students of all levels in piano, organ, violin, viola, composition, arranging, and voice.
- Tutored and taught local college students in music theory including harmony, melody, Renaissance and Baroque counterpoint, jazz theory, and keyboard technology.

Woods Church Severna Park, MD  
2003-2005  
*Music Associate*

- Supervised and led music, sound, and media projection teams.
- Led music from the piano.
- Conducted choirs.

Inverness Church Severna Park, MD  
2003-2005  
*Music Director*

- Conducted all choirs and ensembles.

#### COMPUTER SKILLS

- .Microsoft Word, Excel, Outlook, PowerPoint, ProTools, Sibelius, Finale, Logic, Digital Performer, and understanding of Macintosh and Windows operating systems.