

# Trumpet Studio Newsletter

December 2020

## Welcome!

I am excited to share our first ever CU Boulder Trumpet Studio Newsletter. This Newsletter is meant to connect friends, family, and alumni with the latest studio happenings.

In this issue you will find recent studio accomplishments; an update on the new Imig Music Building addition; and some information highlighting guest artists, performances, and what we have been up to during the COVID-19 pandemic. Despite these challenging times, it has been a fun and uplifting journey and we all feel so fortunate to make music every day.

We hope this issue finds you all safe, happy, and healthy and that the CU Boulder Trumpet Studio is continuing to make you proud.

Sincerely,

Ryan Gardner  
Associate Professor of Trumpet



# Recent Studio Accomplishments



Congratulations to both the large and small trumpet ensembles on advancing to the quarter-finals for the National Trumpet Competition!



Congratulations to CU Trumpet Studio Alum (MM '17) Aaron Jensen on his appointment to Tarleton State University!

Congratulations to CU Trumpet Studio Alum (MM '15) Brianne Borden on her appointment to SUNY- Potsdam!



Congratulations to Karen Buri, Hayden Etters, Jacob Rylko, Zach Morse, Ben Chapman, Sam Milam, Maximillian McNutt, Jacob Howard, Michael Winkler, Ian Mertes, and William Landon for advancing to the live solo round of the National Trumpet Competition!





# Recent Studio Accomplishments

Congratulations to Ian Mertes (MM) for advancing to the finals of the London Symphony Orchestra Competition!



Congratulations to Maximillian McNutt (DMA) on winning the MTNA Young Artist National Brass Division!

Congratulations to Jacob Rylko (BM) on winning the solo division at the BYU Trumpet Festival!



Congratulations to Will Landon (MM) for advancing the semi-finals of the Bruce Ekstrand Memorial Graduate Student Competition and receiving an honorable mention in the Colorado MTNA Solo Competition!

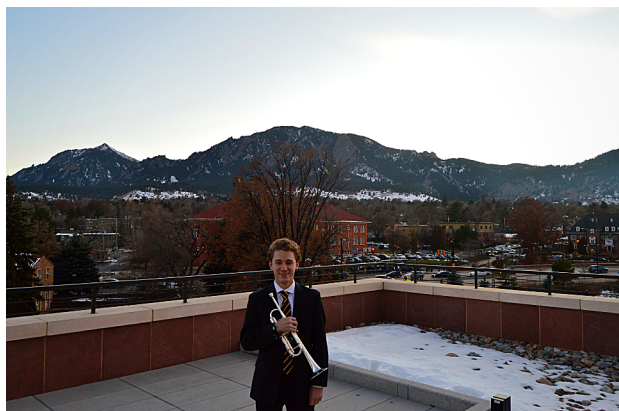
# Recent Studio Accomplishments

Congratulations to Tristan Frank (A.D.) for advancing in the United States Air Force Band Ceremonial Brass audition! Tristan is also the Young Artist Fellow for the International Chamber Orchestra of Puerto Rico!



Congratulations to alumni Ryan Spencer (DMA '20) and Melinda Ho (MM '18) for being named the Artistic Directors of the Colorado Brass!

Congratulations to Sam Milam (MM) for being accepted to the UMKC Conservatory of Music and Dance with an assistantship to pursue his DMA!



Congratulations to Jacob Howard (MM) for winning the Colorado MTNA Solo Competition!



# Recent Studio Accomplishments

Ian Mertes, finalist, 2020 ITG Military Band Excerpt Competition (Top 3)

Maximillian McNutt, WINNER, CU Boulder Honors Competition (Graduate)

Maximillian McNutt Placed 3rd in the Roger Voisin Memorial Competition (finalists were from Curtis, Julliard, and CU Boulder)

CU Boulder Gold, accepted to perform at the 2020 International Trumpet Guild Conference

CU Boulder Black, accepted to perform at the 2020 International Trumpet Guild Conference

William Landon, Published Reviewer, The International Trumpet Guild Journal

Maximillian McNutt, finalist for the Delta Symphony Concerto Competition

Michael Winkler, 2nd place in the Colorado MTNA Solo Competition

Emma Clarke, ITG Young Artist Award

Ian Mertes, attending Music Academy of the West, and accepted at Round Top Music Festival

Caleb Dixon, accepted to Sewanee Music Festival, Vancouver Summer Institute, and Eastern Music Festival

Zachary Morse, Austin Laurent, Caleb Dixon, Luke Finaldi, William Landon, accepted into Rafael Mendez Brass Institute

14 Students advanced to the live rounds of the National Trumpet Competition including two ensembles and eleven soloists (4 undergraduate and 7 graduate students)- which is more than any other school

# *Inside the Studio*

*Marie Speziale Residency, February 14-18, 2020*



In February, we had the privilege of having former associate principal trumpet of the Cincinnati Symphony and professor Emeritus at Rice University, Marie Speziale on campus to work with our studio. Ms. Speziale worked with both trumpet ensembles, taught private lessons, and presented a masterclass.





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*Cleveland Orchestra Residency, September 9-13, 2019*



In September the CU College of Music welcomed the principal players from the Cleveland Symphony Orchestra. Principal trumpet Michael Sachs taught private lessons and coached both the orchestra trumpet section and the graduate brass quintet.



# *Inside the Studio*

*Dr. Gardner as a featured soloist with the CU Wind Symphony and  
at the BYU Trumpet Festival*



*Professor Justin Bartels performing  
the Hindemith Sonata for Faculty Tuesday*



*Jacob Rylko, Ben Chapman, and  
Ian Mertes working with the Utah  
Symphony trumpet section at the  
BYU Trumpet Festival*



# Inside the Studio

*During our Fall 2020 semester, we had great virtual masterclasses  
with several guest artists via Zoom*



Alex Iles is a commercial trombonist in Los Angeles and has appeared on several film scores such as Star Wars: The Rise of Skywalker, The Incredibles, Avatar, and several others.

Denise Tryon is the professor of Horn at the Cincinnati Conservatory of Music. She has held positions in the Philadelphia, Detroit, Baltimore, and Columbus Symphony Orchestras.



Dan Rosenboom is an L.A.-based trumpet player who has performed with the L.A. Philharmonic, the Dallas Brass, and Josh Groban. He has appeared on film scores such as Frozen 2, La La Land, The Mandalorian, and several more.



Vince DiMartino is one of the most sought-after clinicians in the country. He is well known for being in demand for both classical and jazz styles, performing with Lionel Hampton, Chuck Mangione, the Cincinnati Symphony, the US Marine Band, and many more.

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Virtual Tour of the Imig Music Building Addition:  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IzVMh3RxOX4>



This semester, each studio member recorded a solo written for unaccompanied trumpet. We had a great time getting creative while working on these projects! Check out some of our favorites!

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We have CU Trumpet Studio swag! Follow the links to show your support for the CU trumpet studio!

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Dr. Gardner was a featured performer and pedagogue for the International Trumpet Guild as part of their *Listen and Learn* web series.

Performance Video:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BIMS6oMPXOk&t=1s>

Pedagogy Video:

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