

EVAN SWANSON

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SUMMARY

Freelance pianist specializing in musical theater, pop and church music. Skilled in artistic execution of many kinds of music and in organization/administrative detail work.

EXPERIENCE

Music Director, Williams Street Repertory, October 2017 – April 2019

Reported to: Founding Artistic Director, Show Director

Responsibilities

- Select and Rehearse Cast (4-25 professionals/show)
- Contract and Rehearse Orchestra (3-8 professionals/show)
- Execute Performances as Pianist/Conductor
- Musicals with WSRep rehearse 5 weeks (100hrs) and perform 4-6 weekends
- Average season includes 3-5 musicals in a year

Music Director, Various Churches

Living Waters Lutheran Church, March 2016 – June 2018

Fort Hamilton Chapel, October 2020- September 2021

Metropolitan Community Church of New York, February 2022- July 2023

Reported to: Pastor, Church Council

Responsibilities

- Song Selection and Arrangements
- Band Rehearsal
- Weekly Musical Performance in Worship
- Volunteer coordination
- Large Scale Collaboration for special seasons (Lent, Easter and Christmas)

EDUCATION

Bachelors of Music in Jazz Piano, DePaul University, 2016

Graduated Summa Cum Laude. Studies included performance, improvisation, composition, arranging, accompaniment, pedagogy, classical music, baroque music, vocal music and professionalism. Education established strong habits for a freelance career and Chicago location encouraged professional development off campus.

SKILLS

- Professional Pianist
- Self-Discipline
- Communication
- Collaboration
- Mac/PC Systems
- Timeliness

INTERESTS

- Music
- Yoga/Meditation
- Meeting New People
- Wine/Liquor
- Reading
- TED Talks