



Evan T McAleer

Evan McAleer is extremely happy to be returning for his fourth year with the Louisiana Stars of which this will be his second as Visual Caption Head. Evan is an active performer, designer, and educator. Evan has been a visual and drill designer for numerous schools across Louisiana for the past 7 years, and is thankful for the opportunity to help create performance opportunities for performers of all skill levels. In addition to his work in design and education, Evan serves as a member of the Allumer Quartet of which he is a founding member, and continues to work toward expanding the horn quartet repertoire through the commissioning and premiering of new music.

While at a young age, Evan was extremely fortunate to be a member of the Father Ryan High School Band Program as well as the Father Ryan High School Musical Theater productions, both of which helped foster a love of the performing arts. Before graduating with a degree in Music Education from Louisiana State University, Evan spent his 4 summers performing as a member of both the Glassmen Drum and Bugle Corps (2008-2010) as well as Carolina Crown Drum and Bugle Corps (2011).

As an educator, Evan has served as a middle and high school band director throughout Louisiana, an instructional staff member for the Blue Knights, Phantom Regiment and Spirit of Atlanta Drum and Bugle Corps, and a clinician for numerous marching bands, winterguards, and indoor drumlines.



David Ifland

David has been involved in the marching arts for the past 12 years and fell for drum corps after his first Drums Across Cajun Field show in the 8th grade. David's drum corps career began in 2014 as a charter member of the Louisiana Stars. He marched another successful season of Stars in 2015. In 2016, he was contracted by the Bluecoats and earned a World Championship, the first in the Bluecoats' history before aging out in 2017 with the Bluecoats. He is from DeRidder LA, a graduate of DeRidder high school, currently attends LSU and was a part of the Golden Band from Tigerland for 4 seasons, serving as Mellophone section leader in his final season. David loves music and sound in all of its creative capacities and plans to continue his passion for the pageantry arts by sharing his knowledge and experiences with those who want to learn.



Tyler Carey

Tyler is currently a Well Site Manager for Chevron in the Permian Basin. On his days off he has been teaching and designing at a premier high school in Louisiana for the last 7 years and was on visual staff at Legends from 2016-18.



Joseph Garmany

Joseph began his marching career with the Model High School Marching Band in Rome, GA. He marched there for five seasons playing trumpet (2008-2012), in addition he marched two seasons with the school indoor percussion ensemble (2012-2013). He performed two marching seasons with Spirit of Atlanta Drum and Bugle Corps (2015-2016) playing lead trumpet. His recent activities in the summer were working with the Southeast Whitfield Marching Band in Dalton, GA.

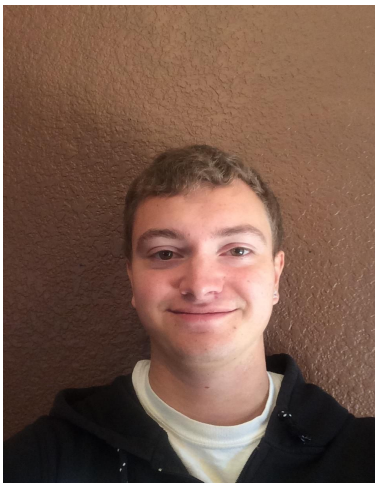
He is currently a senior majoring in Music Education at Jacksonville State University in Jacksonville, AL. He was a member of the Marching Southerners, the university's marching band, for six seasons (2013-2018) playing lead trumpet. In the most recent season he was featured as one of the trumpet soloists. Other collegiate ensembles he has participated in include the University Symphonic Band and Trumpet Ensemble. Following his graduation, Joseph plans on pursuing a Master's degree in Instrumental Conducting.

This is Joseph's first season with Louisiana Stars and also his first time teaching a drum corps. He is very excited for this opportunity and can't wait for the season to begin!



H.A. Hoffman

H.A. Hoffman is a graduate teaching assistant at Middle Tennessee State University, earning a Master's degree in Horn Performance. He graduated from Western Carolina University in 2016 with a Bachelor of Science in Music Education and a Bachelor of Music in Instrumental Performance. During his time in college, H.A. was a member and section leader in the "Pride of the Mountains Marching Band", performing in the 2014 Macy's Thanksgiving Parade and as an exhibitionist in BOA Grand Nationals. He was a member of the Phantom Regiment Drum and Bugle Corps in 2014 and 2015, and is an active performer, music arranger, and educator for band programs across the Southeastern United States.



Andriy Sovetov

Andriy Sovetov is a film composer and pianist living in Colorado. This will be his first season teaching in DCI. His most recent teaching position was with Van Nuys High School in California as VCH. Before that, during his undergraduate, he spent the fall semesters teaching other bands in Colorado as a tech. He's currently applying for his Master's in Film Scoring and, while awaiting results, has some recordings and other projects planned out for the interim.



Sophie Guidry

Sophie first fell in love with drum corps at the age of 12. She began her drum corps career as an inaugural member of the Louisiana Stars Drum & Bugle Corps in 2014. She marched a second season with Louisiana Stars in 2015. Sophie aged out with the Bluecoats Drum & Bugle corps in 2016, participating in the first DCI World Championship in the corps' history.

Sophie is from Mandeville, LA and graduated from Fontainebleau High School. She holds a degree in Music Education from LSU, where she was a member of The Golden Band from Tiger Land for 4 years. Sophie is currently a music teacher at Odessa Elementary School near Tampa, FL. Her previous instructional experience includes Fontainebleau High School, East Ascension High School, and Louisiana Stars Drum & Bugle Corps.



Jakki Kalogridis

Jakki Kalogridis began her dance training at the age of three at the Ballet School of Chapel Hill in North Carolina. After many years of musical training in piano, flute, and trumpet, she marched trumpet with the Chapel Hill High School marching band. After her freshman year of high school band, Jakki attended her first DCI show and decided to audition for colorguard.

She performed as a member of the colorguard at Tarheel Sun Drum and Bugle Corps, Crossmen Drum and Bugle Corps, Aria Winterguard, and First Flight Winterguard. After receiving her BFA in Design with a minor in Dance from UNC Greensboro, she returned as a graduate student to continue her studies in Dance and Performance Art.

Jakki taught, choreographed and designed for colorguard and winterguard programs of all levels around North Carolina, including Trinity High School, Chapel Hill High School, West Forsyth High School, High Point Central High School, Eastern Alamance High School, Western Alamance High School, McMichael High School, Williams High School, CE Jordan High School, and Cedar Ridge High School, and co-founded and directed the independent winterguard, The Proposition.

She also served as visual designer and marching instructor for Cedar Ridge High School and C.E. Jordan High School.

She started her costume company in 2002 and has since created colorguard and dance costumes for numerous high school programs, professional choreographers and dance companies, as well as some well-known burlesque and drag performers, and award-winning musical artists.

Jakki relocated to New Orleans in 2013, where she is an artist, and colorguard, dance, and fitness instructor. She is currently the colorguard instructor for Tulane University Marching Band, Director for The Proposition Winterguard, and Program Director for the New Orleans Colorguard Arts and the New Orleans Spin Club parading Krewe.



Jordan Moore

Jordan is currently the band director at Vinton Middle School in Vinton, Louisiana, as well as the assistant band director at Leblanc Middle School in Sulphur Louisiana. He is a native of Houma, Louisiana and has received his BME from McNeese State University in Lake Charles, Louisiana. While attending McNeese, Jordan was a member of numerous ensembles including Wind Symphony, Jazz Band, Marching Band, Student Brass Quintet, Trumpet Ensemble, Brass Ensemble, and Chamber Singers. Jordan's passion for drum corps developed at the age of 12 when he was first introduced to the activity by his middle school band director at the time. He used that drive to push for success during high school marching band, college marching band, and eventually onward to march with the Madison Scouts during the 2014 season. His drum corps now continues with the visual staff for the Louisiana Stars Drum and Bugle Corps. Jordan stays active performing for small local events, the Lake Charles community band, and the British Brass Band of Louisiana.