

Kerry Bryant, Ed.D. SHORT BIO

Dr. Kerry Bryant serves as Director of Instrumental Activities and Assistant Professor of Music at Reinhardt University. Most recently he served as Director of Bands at Young Harris College, and as Adjunct Instructor of Music Education at Reinhardt University. Prior to his collegiate career, over a period 32 years, Dr. Bryant served primarily as Director of Bands for several prominent high school band programs in GA, as well as a Fine Arts Coordinator for the Barrow County Schools (GA) and as an elementary music teacher. Thus, Dr. Bryant's music education experience spans the continuum of all ages, from kindergarten through graduate-level music courses.

Concert ensembles under his direction have been invited to perform at many college and regional band clinics, conventions and symposia, including the Georgia Music Educators Association In-Service Conference, The University of Southern Mississippi All-South Band Clinic, the Troy State University Southeastern U.S. Honor Band Clinic, Tri-State Honor Band Clinic at Florida State University, and the University of South Carolina Band Clinic. He has performed at the Mid-West International Band Clinic as a former member of *Tara Winds* two times. He has numerous arrangements, transcriptions and editions of concert band works in various private and school libraries and catalogs, including Schirmer Rental and Arrangers Publishing. Dr. Bryant maintains an active travel schedule throughout the southeastern U.S. with guest conducting, evaluation, and clinician services for many band programs and state music associations.

Dr. Bryant was awarded *Music Educator of the Year* in 2016 by the Georgia Music Educators Association. He was also selected as a 2011 Honoree for the *Woodruff Arts Center (Atlanta, GA) Salutes Georgia Arts in Education Leaders*. He has been awarded the National Band Association's *Citation of Excellence* six times. He is a member of *Phi Beta Mu* National Honorary Bandmasters, and has served on the editorial board for the *Music Educators Journal*. He has served as an instrumental music education standards writer and reviewer for the Georgia Department of Education.

Dr. Bryant has degrees from the University of Kentucky (BME, 1986), University of South Carolina (MME, 1993), Lincoln Memorial University (Ed.S, Administration and Supervision, 2005) and Liberty University (Ed.D., Education Leadership, 2012). He lives in Waleska, GA, with his wife Kelly, a professional flutist in the Atlanta Opera Orchestra and Atlanta Symphony Orchestra (on call), and Flute Artist Affiliate at Reinhardt University and Kennesaw State University. They have two children: Jack, age 24, a horn performance fellow at the Curtis Institute of Music, Philadelphia, PA; and Helen, age 21, a piano performance and musicology double major at the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI.