



# Adjudicator Biographies



## Bands of America Iowa Regional Championship

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### MUSIC PANEL (alphabetical by last name)

#### **Jodie Rhodes, Canyon Lake, TX**

Jodie Rhodes has been in music education for the past 28 years teaching at both the middle school and high school levels. In addition, she has served as a clinician, consultant, and program coordinator for several marching bands, drum corps, and concert bands around the country. Her groups have been frequent finalists at Bands of America Regional and Super Regional Championships, as well as at the Grand National Championships. In 2018, three of her groups made finals at the 6A UIL Texas State Marching Band Contest. Ms. Rhodes is also a frequent adjudicator of drum corps, marching, and percussion contests.

#### **Nolan Jager Loyde, Round Rock, TX**

Mr. Nolan Jager Loyde received his bachelor's degree in Music Education from the University of North Texas and his master's degree in Educational Leadership from Stephen F. Austin State University. Mr. Loyde currently serves as the Assistant Director of Fine Arts over Instrumental Music in Round Rock Independent School District (ISD) in the Austin, Texas area. Mr. Loyde previously served as Director of Bands for Cedar Ridge High School in Round Rock ISD.

Throughout his educational career, concert bands and orchestras under Mr. Loyde's direction have received consistent superior ratings at University Interscholastic League Concert and Sight Reading Evaluations. The marching band programs under his direction have been consistently successful in various marching festivals including Bands of America and University Interscholastic League Region, Area, and State Competitions. They were also nominated for the Sudler Shield.

Prior to serving as an administrator, Mr. Loyde was an active performer and educator across the United States, where he received various honors and the opportunity to perform alongside many world class musicians. Mr. Loyde continues his professional impact by serving as a frequent adjudicator and clinician at the state and national level.

#### **W. Dale Warren, Fayetteville, AR\***

W. Dale Warren is a Senior Wind Band Conductor and Professor of Music, Director of Summer Music Camps, and former marching band director at the University of Arkansas. He received a bachelor's in Music Education from Austin Peay State University and a master's in Music Education from the University of Kentucky (UK). He also served on the UK music department faculty as Associate Director of Bands and Director of athletic bands from 1980 - 86. During his time on the faculty at UK he also taught at Bremen and North Hardin High Schools. Warren completed a faculty residency with the Kasetsart University Wind Symphony in Bangkok, Thailand.

Professor Warren has served as a computer clinician/drill designer for Advantage Showare, Inc. and Arranger's Publishing Company. For 20 years he served as an adjudicator/clinician for Musicfest Orlando. During Professor Warren's affiliation with Bands of America, he served as a member of the Educational Advisory Board and for the past 34 years as an adjudicator and chief judge. In addition to serving as chairman of the John Philip Sousa Foundation's Sudler Shield Award Committee, Professor Warren is a John Philip Sousa Foundation Board Member, a Past President of the Southeastern Conference Band Directors Association, and a member of the Institutional Review Board at Washington Regional Medical Center.

Professor Warren is a former marching member of the Guardsmen Drum and Bugle Corps of Schaumburg, Illinois and a former brass and visual staff member for the Guardsmen and the Imperial Guard Drum & Bugle Corps of Evansville, Indiana. Professor Warren has also served as a Drum Corps International adjudicator.

### **Evan VanDoren, Cedar Park, TX**

Evan VanDoren is a freelance arranger, composer, and educational consultant. He is the brass arranger for the Santa Clara Vanguard Drum & Bugle Corps.

As an active clinician, Evan has presented for Drum Corps International, the Music Educators National Convention, the Texas Bandmasters Association, the Texas Music Educators Association, and Music for All. Additionally, Evan is an active adjudicator with Bands of America, the University Interscholastic League, and the Texas Music Adjudicators Association.

Before devoting his life to creating music, Evan was a band director at Cedar Park High School, in Cedar Park, Texas. During this time the band was awarded multiple marching state championships and national recognition. He received his bachelor's in Music Education with honors from Butler University in Indianapolis, Indiana. Currently, he lives in Cedar Park, Texas, with his wife, Katie, and their dog, Cooper.

### **VISUAL PANEL (alphabetical by last name)**

#### **Greg Llacer, Boxborough, MA**

Greg Llacer has been a pageantry arts adjudicator and clinician since 1989, judging field show, winter guard, and percussion competitions nationwide. Most recently he has been affiliated with Drum Corps International, Bands of America and regional/state organizations in California, Colorado, Connecticut, Florida, Indiana, Maine, Massachusetts, Missouri, Nevada, and Texas. He has taught color guards and written field show drill for large high school and university programs such as Vista and Poway High Schools in north San Diego County, California, San Diego State University, and Brigham Young University in Provo, Utah. He also has served in leadership roles across the pageantry arts, as a member of the Board of Directors for the Winter Guard Association of Southern California (from which he is recipient of the Order of Excellence and Hall of Fame honors), Chief Judge for the Texas Color Guard Judges Association, and member of the Field Adjudication Steering Committee for the Southern California School Band and Orchestra Association.

Greg lives in the New England town of Boxborough, MA and works at Harvard University where he is the director of competitive national and institutional scholarships, as well as university-wide undergraduate research programs. He is also a senior member of the Dean of Harvard College's staff.

#### **Kristopher Quaale, North Richland Hills, TX**

Kristopher Quaale is a member of the sales and design team at Integrated Lifestyles, a Dallas-based custom audio/video integration company. Prior to working at Integrated Lifestyles, he spent 9 years as a band director at schools in the Leander, Plano, and Keller Independent School Districts. Mr. Quaale holds a Master of Music degree with a specialization in wind conducting from the University of North Texas, where he studied Eugene Corporon, Dennis Fisher, and Nicholas Williams. He also holds a Bachelor of Music Education degree in instrumental music from Texas Christian University. He was involved with Drum Corps International (DCI) for eleven years, where he was on the visual staff for the seven-time world champion Cavaliers Drum and Bugle Corps. Before teaching for The Cavaliers, he was a marching member of the Santa Clara Vanguard Drum and Bugle Corps (2003) and The Cavaliers (2004-2006). Mr. Quaale is also active as a drill writer, clinician, and adjudicator in the United States and internationally.

**Chad Quamme, Milwaukee, WI**

Chad has been an active instructor in drum corps, marching band and winter guard over the last 21 years. He was a member of both the Blue Stars and Phantom Regiment Drum & Bugle Corps. He is the chief judge for the Mid American Competing Band Director's Association and a working judge for Drum Corps International, Bands of America and Winter Guard International. Chad is a history teacher at Beloit Memorial High School in Beloit, Wisconsin and resides in Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

**CHIEF JUDGE:** Dale Warren\*