

Brandon J. Felder

Education

- 2015 University of Maryland, College Park
Master of Music in Music Education,
Concentration in Jazz Studies, & Music Technology
- 2005 Howard University, Washington, District of Columbia
Bachelor of Music Education, Piano Emphasis
Piano Pedagogy and applied instruction with Dr. Raymond Jackson

Secondary Teaching and Experiences:

- 2013-2018 **Largo High School, Upper Marlboro Maryland**
Fine Arts Department Chair/Director of Choral Music
Courses taught: Choir, Piano, Music Survey, Music Technology

- Fine Arts Dept. Chair (Vocal/Instrumental Music, Dance and Drama programs)
- School Instructional Leadership Team Member
- Lead Arts Integration Teacher
- 2017 Executive Producer Largo HS Choir CD Rejoice- #7 on Billboard Gospel Chart
- 2017 & 2018 NAMM Music Merit School Award
- 2016 GRAMMY Grant School Recipient Washington DC
- 2015/2016 Semi-finalist for GRAMMY Signature School Award

Organized and facilitated high school performance events at President's Park/National Tree Lighting Program, Howard Theatre, John F. Kennedy Center for Performing Arts, Clarice Smith Performing Arts Center, Verizon Center (Washington Wizards- First High School to perform for National Anthem and Halftime Show Exclusively), Tanger National Harbor, NASA Goddard, Ithaca College, Howard University, Washington National Cathedral.

- 2005-2013 **Thomas Pullen K-8 Performing Arts Academy, Landover Maryland**
Teacher of General Music/Director of Piano Studies
Courses taught: General Music, Piano, Intro to Music Technology

Campaigned and successfully funded a grand piano for the school
Creation of a beginning piano course for Grades 2-5 in the General Music Curriculum
Presented and taught consistent Arts integrated activities and lessons
Created American Idol style competition and program
Establishment of partnerships with Washington Performing Arts, Jericho Senior Center, Largo Manor Care, Chick-Fil A, Barnes and Noble Bookstores,
Produced a Single Recording entitled "We Are A Family"-Creative school song

- Music Director/Pianist for US Embassy Black History Cultural Observance Zargreb Croatia (February 2013)

-Musical Accompanist and Artistic Associate for Washington Performing Arts
(2007-2012)

-Accompanist/Keyboards- National Symphony Orchestra Sacred Sounds Concert
THEARC Theater Washington DC (January 2011)

-Music Director-Sec Hillary Clinton's Holiday Event for Military Families
Washington DC (December 2009)

-Pianist NSO Pops: Happy Holidays Concert Series
John F Kennedy Center Washington DC (December 2005)

Refereed Publications

Felder, Brandon (2015). [Non-traditional Music Class Offerings: Integration of Music Technology](#) . (Masters Thesis/Action Research Project) University of Maryland. MusicCreativity.org

Refereed/ Invited Presentations & Workshops

Felder, B (2015, March) *Music Education and Teacher Preparation* Educational session and demonstration presented at the Prince George's Community College (Music Department)Upper Marlboro, MD.

Felder, B (2009, April) *Teaching general music in the public elementary and middle school*. Guest lecture and demonstration presented to an undergraduate-level music education course at Howard University. Washington DC.

Professional Affiliations and Leadership Positions

GRAMMY Recording Academy Member- Washington DC Chapter

Governor to the Washington, D.C. GRAMMY Chapter Board 2018-2019