

# **Robert F. Shepherd**

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## **Education:**

University of Wisconsin – Platteville  
1968-1972  
Bachelor of Science Degree - Music Education

State University of New York – Fredonia  
1972-73  
Master of Music Education / Saxophone Performance

VanderCook College of Music – Chicago  
1991-2000 – (Summers)  
Seminars in Instrumental Music

University of Wisconsin – Platteville  
2002-2003  
Graduate courses in Student Teaching and  
Independent Study related to wind pedagogy

Additional Credits for Recertification from  
University of St. Thomas – St. Paul Minnesota – 2005  
Mid-America Nazarene University – Olathe, Kansas - 2011

## **Professional Experience:**

**Public School Teaching:** 2011 – Present  
Lecturer - Department of Performing and Visual Arts  
University of Wisconsin - Platteville  
Piano Technique Classes; Music Appreciation Classes; Studio  
Accompanist; Jazz Combo Coach; Rehearsal Pianist, Orchestra  
Conductor and/or Music Director for Pioneer Players Musicals

1997 – 2011  
Lancaster, WI Public Schools  
High School Instrumental Music  
Co-Conductor of Lancaster Community Band

1988 - 1997  
River Valley School District  
Spring Green, WI  
High School Instrumental Music

1985 – 1988  
West Grant Community Schools  
(Now known as River Ridge Schools)  
Patch Grove, WI  
Instrumental Music 5-12

1975 – 1979  
Washington, IA Public Schools  
High School Instrumental Music  
Chairman, Department of Music

Service to Wisconsin School Music Association as  
Master Adjudicator, Festival Manager, and on Music Selection  
Committees

### **Saxophone Experience:**

Primary Teachers:  
Dr. William B. Tietze – UW – Platteville

Dr. Laurence Wyman – SUNY – Fredonia

Sigurd M. Rascher – Summer Seminars from 1966-1976

Performed and Recorded (Coronet Records) as First Alto  
Saxophonist with the Rascher Saxophone Ensemble.

Performed at Alice Tulley Hall, Lincoln Center, New York,  
with the “Saxophone Sinfonia” conducted by David Bilger

Frequent recitalist and soloist with Bands and Orchestras

Many years of Saxophone performance in jazz ensembles,  
Including:

Paul Hemmer Orchestra  
Larry Busch Orchestra  
Ken Kilian’s Saxtet and Classic Big Band  
Hunter Fuerste’s American Vintage Orchestra  
Madison Jazz Orchestra and many small groups.