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### EDUCATION

MM, Yale School of Music  
BM, Peabody Conservatory  
Graduate Studies, Eastman School of Music and University of Pittsburgh

### SUMMARY

Dynamic and versatile conductor, teacher, composer, performer. Director of choral and orchestral ensembles noted for inventive programming and high performance standards. Extensive experience and facility in broad range of musical styles. Performer in trumpet, hammered dulcimer, voice; strong keyboard skills. Instructor in theory, musicianship, history, appreciation, voice, composition, conducting. Accomplished teacher at all levels of learning, from advanced and analytical to fundamentals and appreciation. Proponent of creative and relevant musical application in an interactive, positive learning environment. Expertise in developing programs, building community interest, encouraging involvement, interrelating the arts and humanities. Ability to connect with people of all ages, perspectives, interests. Exceptional leadership, communication, motivational, recruiting, visionary and interpersonal skills.

### CONDUCTING EXPERIENCE

<b>Falmouth (MA) Chorale &amp; Orchestra</b> , <i>Artistic Director</i> Concert Chorus, Chamber Chorale, Children's Chorus	2007-
<b>John Wesley United Methodist Church</b> , <i>Director of Music</i>	2007-
<b>Falmouth Chamber Players &amp; FCP Orchestra</b> , <i>Conductor &amp; ensemble coach</i>	2008-
<b>Cape Cod Opera</b> , <i>Conductor</i>	2008-2009
<b>Cape Cod Children's Chorus</b> , <i>Founder and Director</i>	2009-
<b>Falmouth Academy Chorus</b> , <i>Director</i>	2009-
<b>Greater Falmouth Mostly All-Male Men's Chorus</b> , <i>Director</i>	2007-2008
<b>La Jolla United Methodist Church</b> , <i>Director of Music</i>	2006-2007
<b>San Diego Choral Union</b> , <i>Founding Director, Pilot Program</i> Children's Chorus, Treble Chorale (teens), Chamber Chorale (adults).	2005-2006
<b>San Diego Children's Choir</b> , <i>Artistic Director</i> Symphonic, Chamber, Youth, Concert, Intermediate, Preparatory, Early Years Ensembles	2004-2005
<b>Chicago Symphony Orchestra South Shore Community Chorus &amp; Chicago Civic Orchestra</b> <i>Guest Conductor</i>	2003
<b>Telluride (CO) Choral Society</b> , <i>Founder and Artistic Director</i> Children's Chorus (3 ensembles), Chorale, Chamber Singers	1994-2002
<b>Telluride Chamber Orchestra</b> , <i>Artistic Director</i>	1994-2001
<b>Telluride Mountain Gospel</b> , <i>Director</i> Ecumenical chorus performing Hymns, Spirituals, Bluegrass and Sacred Harp	1998-2002

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<b>Telluride Repertory Company, Music Director</b>	1994-1997
<b>The Walden School for Young Composers (NH), Choral Director &amp; Forum Conductor</b>	1977-1993
<b>Garrison Forest School (MD), Director of Choral Activities, Girls, grades 6-12</b>	1988-1993
<b>Calvert Hall College, Director of Choral Music, Boys, grades 9-12</b>	1986-1990
<b>University of Pittsburgh Men's Glee Club, Director</b>	1982-1986

**TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

<b>Private Studio, Lessons, classes and ensemble coach.</b>	1980-
<b>Telluride School District, Artist in Residence, Faculty.</b> Introduced music to the schools; led in development of K-12 music curriculum.	1994-1998
<b>Yankee Music, Telluride Montessori School &amp; Academy, San Diego Independent Studio</b> Early music program utilizing Kodaly, Dalcroze and Orff technique with American influences and improvisation.	1995-2007
<b>Telluride Mountain School, Faculty</b>	1999-2000
<b>AhHaa School, Instructor</b>	1994-1998
<b>The Walden School, Faculty</b>	1977-1993
<b>Peabody Preparatory Institute (MD), Faculty</b>	1977-79, 1986-1992
<b>Garrison Forest School, Faculty</b>	1988-1993
<b>Calvert Hall College H S, Faculty</b>	1986-1990
<b>University of Pittsburgh, Teaching Assistant, Jazz</b>	1982-1986
<b>Yale School of Music, Teaching Assistant, graduate Music Theory</b>	1980-1981

**ADDITIONAL EXPERIENCE**

**Acoustic Musician, Solo and in collaboration**  
**Trumpeter, Performer in orchestras, chamber ensembles, big band, jazz combos; church/ceremonial soloist**  
**Composer and Arranger, Numerous commissions; large collection of original works**  
**Schola Cantorum of Falmouth, Workshops in Gregorian Chant and Renaissance vocal music**  
**Artist in Residence, Harpers Ferry, Badlands, Buffalo River National Parks**  
**Leader of Community Sings, including Old Time Gospel Night, SummerSing Retreat**  
**Participant, Robert Shaw Choral Workshop, Berkshire Choral Festival**  
**Telluride Chamber Music Festival, Lecturer and presenter of program notes**  
**Telluride Film, Jazz and Bluegrass Festivals, Conductor, performer, workshop presenter**  
**Member, Chorus America, American Choral Directors Association**  
**Board of Advisors, Telluride Institute**  
**Vice President, Walden School for Young Composers**  
**Academic Advisor, University of Pittsburgh College of Arts and Sciences**

**PROFESSIONAL REFERENCES, CURRENT**

**Rev. Dr. David Calhoun**

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