

**Andrew F. Poor** has been a member of the part-time music education faculty of the Schwob School of Music at Columbus State University since 2006. He also currently serves as the Director of Bands at South Forsyth Middle School in Cumming, Georgia. Previously, he served as Associate Director of Bands and Chair of the Fine Arts Department at Fayette County High School in Fayetteville, Georgia. Dr. Poor holds the Doctor of Music Education, as well as, the Master of Music in Trumpet Performance from the University of Cincinnati College-Conservatory of Music, and he previously received the Bachelor of Music Education degree (*High Honors*) from the University of Florida, Gainesville, Florida.

In providing service to music education, Dr. Poor has served Georgia Music Educators Association in a variety of capacities including serving as, District 6 High School Honor Band organizer, an All-State Band Organizer, a former member of the Band Adjudication Committee, and as both a concert and sight-reading adjudicator for both middle school and high school Large Group Performance Evaluation events. His professional affiliations include: ASCAP, Phi Beta Mu, Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia, National Association for Music Education, Georgia Music Educators Association, National Band Association and the International Trumpet Guild.

As a music educator at all levels, his ensembles have received numerous accolades and given several notable performances including, the 17th *International Cultural Festival* in Tottori, Japan and the 1997 *Florida Music Educators State Conference*. His South Forsyth Middle School Symphonic Band performed at the *Southeastern United States Honor Band Clinic*, hosted by Troy University, in December of 2014, and was the 2014 recipient of the GMEA Middle School Music Exemplary Performance Award. Dr. Poor has been composing and arranging for concert bands and marching bands for many years with over 90 compositions and arrangements to his name. His published arrangements and compositions appear in the catalogs of C.L. Barnhouse, Northeastern Music Publications, and Eighth Note Music. He has also recently served as a composer-in-residence at Samford University and at the University of Alabama for the joint premiere of one of his most recent works, *Letter to Mom*. He was recently appointed as the Southeastern Representative to the National Council for Music Composition in association with NAFME. His award-winning marching band arrangements have been performed by the University of Alabama Million Dollar Band, University of Tennessee-Martin and Olivet Nazarene University, as well as, numerous high school bands across the southeast.

Dr. Poor served for six years (2000-2005) as the Brass Caption Chair for the *Drum Corps International Judge Administration Team*, and worked as an adjudicator for DCI for 18 years, including ten World Championships. In 2011, Dr. Poor served on the instructional staff of the Blue Stars Drum and Bugle Corps, serving as a consultant to the brass faculty. He has been a member of the Phantom Regiment brass staff since October of 2011. He has also previously served on the summer faculty of the *Spirit Music Camps* where he worked with in-service teachers on a variety of professional development topics.