

## Extended Biography

David W. Brewer (b. 1992) began his music career at Platte County High School in Platte City, Missouri in 2008. In high school David participated in All-District and All-State Choirs, as well as the auditioned choirs that Platte County offered, directed by Mrs. Joyce Hisel.

In 2010 David began attending Northwest Missouri State University in Maryville, Missouri. His emphasis was in studying Vocal Performance and Music Theory/Composition. David studied private voice with Dr. Stephen Town, Dr. Sheila Phillips, and Mr. Mike Phillips. David participated in the Tower Choir directed by Dr. Stephen Town, and the Madraliers/Celebration Show Choir directed by Dr. Brian Lanier. Past composition teachers are Dr. Ernest Kramer and Dr. Kendall Prinz. While at Northwest, David competed in the NATS competition for music performance and received the top grades in Music Theory I, Theory IV, and Advanced Theory/Composition. David graduated with a Bachelor of Arts with an emphasis in Vocal Music in May 2015.

David graduated in the spring of 2018 from Oklahoma State University in Stillwater, Oklahoma with a master's degree in Choral Conducting with Dr. Z. Randall Stroope and Dr. Christopher Haygood. David was one of the Graduate Teaching Assistants and was the director of the University's all men's chorus, Statesmen, under Dr. Haygood's supervision.

Currently, David is the Director of Music at Regents Academy of Nacogdoches, Texas. He has had premieres at Oklahoma State University (*She's Like the Swallow & Amazing Grace*), Missouri Western State University (*Lux Aeterna*), multiple churches throughout the state of Missouri, and had his first conference performance at the 80th Annual Missouri Music Educators Association conference in January of 2018 (*Welcome Home*). His work *Welcome Home* was the recipient of the Missouri Choral Directors Association Opus Award for choral composition excellence.