

Bio for Mark Slater, Trumpet Private Lesson Teacher & Masterclasses

Mark D. Slater received his Bachelor's Degree in Music Education from the Crane School of Music at SUNY-Potsdam and his Master's Degree in Instrumental Conducting from the University of Texas at Austin. He has studied with Anthony Maiello, Tom Lee and Glen Adsit (conducting), Robert Washburn (composition), Arthur Frackenpohl (orchestration), and Ray Crisara, John Schorge, and Fred "Moe" Snyder (trumpet).

A retired public school music educator of thirty-one years, Mr. Slater has taught band at all levels from fourth grade through college. Twenty-six of those years were at Old Saybrook Middle School in Old Saybrook, CT. While teaching he was an active member of NafME, CMEA, TMEA, ASBDA and Phi Beta Mu. He has had the privilege of serving as guest conductor for bands and festivals in Massachusetts, New York, Texas and Connecticut.

In addition to teaching, Mr. Slater worked as a professional trumpet player performing in a wide range of venues. Most notably, he was the staff trumpet player for Goodspeed Musicals for over twenty years.

Mr. Slater also has a varied background as a composer and arranger for both instrumental and vocal ensembles. In recent years he has been published by Alfred Music. Mark and his wife Wanda currently reside in Kyle, TX.