# Munashe Kianga Jones Trombonist, Vocalist, Pianist





Music has been a central part of my life since the age of three. My mother enrolled me into skillful piano instruction, heightening my music abilities throughout the years. Entering my middle school years, my mother also enrolled me into band, and I began playing trombone. My instrumental proficiency seemed to proceed faster than my peers, mostly due to my prior music experience. In middle school, I earned several awards for my playing ability. These accolades for trombone continued to increase throughout my participation in high school band. After attending several high school choir concerts to see my cousin sing, I became interested in vocal music, and enrolled in choir for my sophomore year of high school. Due to the excellent instruction and heavy involvement in the band and choir programs, I have had the opportunity to audition for many elite ensembles on the district, region, and state levels. Making these ensembles truly widened my perspective of artistry and my passion for the craftsmanship of music.

After graduating from college with a music education degree, I want to become a music educator and teach band and chorus at the middle school or high school level. Throughout my life, music experiences have given me joy and a sense of belonging and competency. Rehearsing and performing music has developed into a serious passion and commitment to music for me. I have also observed my band and chorus teachers as music professionals, and I respect their mission of educating adolescents through the power of music. There have been quite a few occurrences when I could imagine myself in the music education profession. By sharing my music experience, education, and enthusiasm in the classroom, I will have the opportunity to positively influence my students and encourage them to have a true appreciation for music. Not only do I have a desire to teach, but I want to create a safe environment for students to learn, grow, and share themselves as individual musicians.

## The Beginning of something great



Intro to Music

My mother enrolled me in piano class at the age of 3. It was during piano lessons that I discovered my first love - music. Piano was the foundation of what would become my passion.



## Intro to Trombone

I was introduced to Trombone in the 6th grade by the middle school band teacher. I never could have guessed just how much I would really love this instrument. I became proficient in playing it and developed a passion for music through playing that led me to the decision to pursue music as a profession. I plan on majoring in Music Education with Trombone studies and eventually obtain my Doctorate degree. I plan to teach band and chorus for middle or high school.















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### Munashe K. Jones

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#### EDUCATION

Jones County High School Gray, Georgia Cumulative GPA 4.0 Class Rank 48<sup>th</sup> /368

#### CAREER ENDEAVORS

Major in Music Education and Trombone Studies with a longterm career goal of obtaining a Doctorate Degree becoming a Music Educator and Band and Chorus Instructor for Middle or High School

#### KEY SKILLS

Motivation / Determination

Trombone Expertise

Stamina / Dedication

Euphonium Expertise

Team Leadership

Piano expertise

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#### Leadership

2019-present Concert Master of Concert Band 2<sup>nd</sup> Lieutenant of Marching Band Vice President of Advanced Women's Choir 1<sup>st</sup> Chair Trombone

> 2018-2019 Brass Section Leader Vice President of Advanced Women's Choir 1st Chair Trombone

#### MUSIC EDUCATION HISTORY

#### Trombone

**2019 to present** – High School Senior Year Marching Band, Jazz Band, and Concert Band member, chosen as Concert Master and chosen as the band 2<sup>nd</sup> Lieutenant, plan to audition for District, Regional and All-State Honor Band

2018-2019 – High School Junior Year
Marching Band, Jazz Band, and Concert Band
member, Brass Section Leader, auditioned and
chosen for District and Region Honor Bands, Band
chosen to participate in Sugar Bowl in New Orleans

2017-2018 – High School Sophomore Year Marching Band, Jazz Band, and Concert Band member, auditioned and chosen for District and Region Honor Bands

2016-2017 – High School Freshman Year Marching Band, Jazz Band, and Concert Band Member

#### Euphonium

2018-2019 – High School Junior Year Received instruction on playing Euphonium and played for the entire Junior Year in addition to the trombone

#### Chorus

2019- present year – High School Senior Year Women's Chorus, auditioned for All-State Reading Choir and received a perfect score

2018-2019 – High School Junior Year Women's Chorus, auditioned for All-State Reading Choir and received a perfect score, selected for District and State Honor Choirs

2017-2018 – High School Sophomore Year Women's Chorus, selected for District and All-State Honor Choirs

#### Piano

#### 2006 - present

Received piano lessons since age 3 and became a proficient pianist and have participated in several recitals as well as played for the High School Chorus

### Chorus / Vocal

- I joined chorus in the 10<sup>th</sup> grade and discovered my voice. Joining chorus has made me truly grow as a musician and my previous experience with piano and trombone helped improve my craftsmanship.
- I have had the opportunity to join the All-State Sight Reading Choir by obtaining a perfect score 2 years in a row and I also was chosen for the District and All-State Honor Choirs 3 years in a row.
  - I also had the opportunity to play piano for our High School Choir Concert.







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