

TIFFANY DAWN, MS, MT-BC

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EDUCATION

Nazareth College of Rochester

M.S. in Music Therapy
May 2012 GPA: 4.0

Roberts Wesleyan College

B.A. in Music
Certificate in Piano Pedagogy
December 2007 GPA: 3.98

PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATIONS

Music Therapist-Board Certified, Certification Board for Music Therapists, Inc., May 2012

SPECIALIZED STUDY

Music Therapy in Addictions Treatment Continuing Music Therapy Education Course (2012)
School Anger Management (SAMs) Trainings I & II (2009)

WORK EXPERIENCE

Self Employed, Clifton Park, NY (2007-Present)

Motivational Speaker, Author & Musician – Developed a musical seminar on body image, media awareness, and self-acceptance for young women. Released first CD with songs from the seminar, and published book “The Insatiable Quest for Beauty.”

The Potter’s School, Online High School (2012-Present)

Adjunct Faculty - Developed and teaches “Intro to Songwriting” course. Currently creating “Intro to Music Therapy” and “Music Careers” courses, which will be launched the 2013-2014 academic year.

Department of Residential Life, Nazareth College of Rochester, Rochester, NY (2008-2011)

Area Director - Supervised 10-12 RAs, and participated in an on-call professional staff duty rotation. Handled budgets totaling approximately \$24k/year. Developed new initiatives for the department, including creation of an emergency response protocol. Participated in college-wide committees, and served on department’s CAS assessment team. Presented at RA trainings.

Unity House of Troy, Troy, NY (January-June 2008)

Temporary Replacement for Music Therapist – Provided music enrichment classes and led individual therapy sessions for pre-school aged children. Attended special education meetings.

INTERNSHIP EXPERIENCE

Golisano Children’s Hospital at Strong Memorial Hospital, Rochester, NY (9/11-3/12)

Music Therapy Intern

- Provided individual and group music therapy sessions for pediatric patients with a variety of chronic and acute illnesses, including eating disorders
- Co-facilitated a weekly outpatient treatment group for adolescents with eating disorders
- Utilized various interventions, including lyric analysis, songwriting, and music-assisted relaxation
- Presented on medical music therapy for nursing students from local universities, graduate students at Nazareth College, and also presented on music therapy in the treatment of eating disorders for an Adolescent Medicine Education Session and Nazareth College undergraduate students

SELECTED MOTIVATIONAL SPEAKING EXPERIENCE

California State University at Northridge, Music Therapy Department Presentation (2013)

Cedar Springs Eating Disorder Treatment Center, Staff Workshop and Patient Workshop (2013)

Colorado Christian University (2013)

Paul Harding Junior High School, Health Classes Eating Disorder Awareness Guest Speaker (2012)

National Music Therapy Conference, Workshop Presentation (2012)

LEAH Regional Homeshool Conference, Workshop Presentation (2012)

SUNY Alfred, Keynote Speaker for Women’s History Month (2010)

Kingdom Bound Music Festival Speaker (2010)

Excel Youth for Christ Conference, Workshop Presentation (2009)

Palm Beach Atlantic University (2009)

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Ronald McDonald House, Rochester and Albany, NY (2011)

Cooked meals for patients and their families staying at the Ronald McDonald House.

Benefit Concerts, Rochester, NY (2011)

Performed at Nazareth College’s “Pakistan Flood Relief” and the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society’s “Make Cures Happen” benefit concerts.

Mission Trips

Costa Rica (2007) - Worked with 13-17 year old girls at a rehabilitation center for drug addiction.

China (2002) - Taught English at middle and high school summer camps.

Mexico (2001) - Contributed to building restoration at an orphanage, as well as interacting with children and teens through structured activities and open play.