



Kristen E Stoetzer is the Director of Instrumental Music at Winters Mill High School in Westminster, Maryland. She is responsible for instruction of the band, orchestra, jazz, percussion, and marching ensembles, as well as teaching Exploring Music, Music Theory and Music History and Literature.

Mrs Stoetzer was a graduate assistant at the Peabody Conservatory of Music where she earned a Master of Music degree in Wind Conducting. She holds a Bachelor's degree in Music Education from Towson University.

While at Towson, Mrs Stoetzer performed on the clarinet, percussion, and piano in the University's Symphonic Band, Orchestra, Percussion Ensemble, Marching Band, Clarinet Choir and Chamber Ensembles. She also taught the drumline for the University Marching Band. Mrs Stoetzer conducted the Symphonic Band, Clarinet Choir, and conducted and performed several premiere performances of compositions by Towson University Composers.

As a graduate assistant at Peabody, Mrs Stoetzer was responsible for teaching Basic and Intermediate conducting classes in the absence of the professor as well as overseeing components of the undergraduate Music Education Practicum. She also directed sectionals, conducted rehearsals, and was the Assistant Conductor of the Peabody Wind Ensemble.

Mrs Stoetzer's additional conducting experience includes various high school bands and orchestras, the Carroll County String Festival, the Towson University Percussion Ensemble, the Carroll County Concert Band, and the Maryland Intercollegiate Band. She received the Gladys Stone Wright scholarship for excellence and achievement in the area of music education from Women Band Directors International, and is included in the 9th edition of *Who's Who Among America's Teachers*, the 2007 edition of *Who's Who of American Women*, and 11th Edition of *Who's Who Among American Teachers & Educators*.

Mrs Stoetzer was asked to participate in a Music Educators National Conference session in February 2006 (Towson University Wind Ensemble, demonstration group) with Mr Frank Battisti, conductor emeritus at the New England Conservatory. She was also accepted to conducting workshops located in Philadelphia (Air National Guard Band of the Mid-Atlantic, demonstration group) and North Carolina (University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill Wind Ensemble, demonstration group) sponsored by the Conductors Guild, Inc. Mrs Stoetzer has been nominated for the Thelma Robinson award, which is given to the participant who demonstrates accomplishment, musicality, and promise in the field of conducting. She has worked with Dana Rothlisberger, Patrick Jones, John Koshak, Peter Perret, Michael Votta, Jr., Anthony Maiello, Frank Battisti, Harlan Parker, and Frederick Fennell. Mrs Stoetzer is an active member of the Maryland Music Educators Association, the Conductors Guild, Inc., and an officer of the Executive Board of the Maryland Band Directors Association.

Mrs Stoetzer's added responsibilities outside of school for the 2006-2007 academic year include coordinating the Carroll County All County Middle and High School Band and Orchestra auditions, the Carroll County Solo and Ensemble Festival, the Maryland State Jazz Conference, and the 2008 Conductors Guild National Conference in Baltimore.