

Music Director's Bio

Music Director Russell Murray began his musical studies with the trumpet at the age of ten. Dr. Murray earned his Bachelor of Music Education from the University of Redlands and his Master of Music Education from the University of North Texas. Dr. Murray went on to earn his PhD in Musicology from UNT. He has taught music history and directed early music ensembles at UNT, Texas Wesleyan University and Rice University. He is currently Professor and Chair of the Music Department at the University of Delaware, where he is the director of the *Collegium Musicum* and is also on the Core Faculty of the Women's Studies program. He has been at the University of Delaware since 1991.

In addition to his duties as Music Director of the Chesapeake *Silver Cornet* Brass Band, Dr. Murray performs with Newberry's Victorian Cornet Band.