

BETHANY ROBINSON

Hometown: Kokomo

Attended Kokomo High School

Graduate of Olivet Nazarene University, BS Music Education, Master of Education

Has taught at Noblesville Schools, Purdue University

Offices Held: President, Indiana Jazz Educator Association; Chair, NAfME Jazz Council; Secretary, Jazz Education Network Executive Board

Honors: 2024 Chief Adjudicator/Guest Artist, Victorian Schools' Jazz Festival (Melbourne); 2024 New York All State Jazz Ensemble Conductor; 2023 GRAMMY Music Educator Award Finalist; 2023 Indiana Outstanding High School Music Educator of the Year; 2022 Jazz Hero by the Jazz Journalists Association; 2016 Indiana Teacher of the Year Semi-Finalist; 2015 Noblesville Teacher of the Year; 2014 Indiana Jazz Educator of the Year

Most memorable performance as a conductor: Essentially Ellington Performance on the Jazz at Lincoln Stage in 2022