



**Manuel Martinez**  
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Manuel Martinez values that every student needs an encouraging teacher to become a successful adult. As a music educator for four years, Martinez believes in encouraging our youth. A native of Wilson, NC, received a BA in Jazz Studies for North Carolina Central University. After graduation in May of 2018, he taught Vocal Music at Sallie B. Howard School for the Arts and Science in Wilson, NC. Mr. Martinez won multiple competitions within two years and created a traveling ensemble that performed at JEN 2019 in New Orleans. After completing two years of teaching at SBH, Martinez was accepted in the MA Jazz studies program concentrating in composition and is expected to Graduate in May 2022.

