

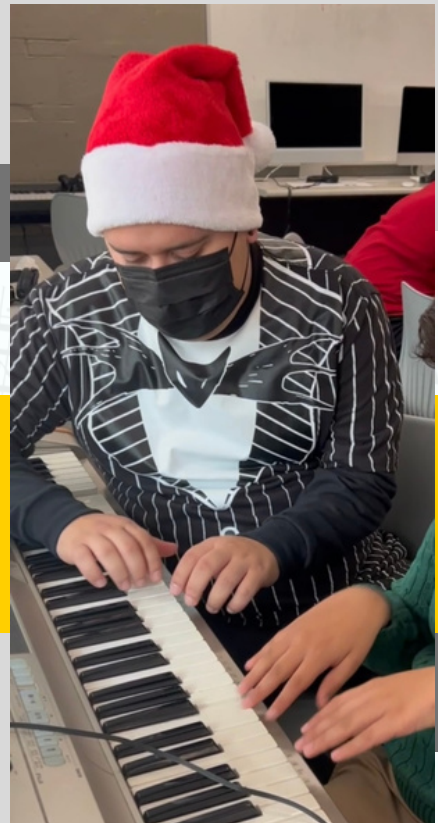


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# MIMAC

## Messenger

# SPOTLIGHT:



# Kyle Spies

I teach music for the Special School District (SSD) of Saint Louis County. SSD is the largest specialized education provider in the state of Missouri. SSD is designed to equip and empower students of all learning abilities to excel to their greatest potential. This is realized through an inclusive, collaborative approach, supported by our comprehensive resources and deep expertise - all of which is centered on each student's unique needs.

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SSD provides special education services to students ages three through 21 in a variety of placements, which are governed by the federal Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA). Services are based entirely on a student's Individualized Education Program (IEP). Placements range from SSD teachers providing special education services in the student's home school and district (partner district) to students attending an SSD special education school or a private separate agency. I teach music at Litzsinger School, a K-8 SSD special education school.



**B.M. in Music Education**, Southern Illinois University: Edwardsville

**M.A. in Music** (brass emphasis), Webster University

- studied under Jim Martin (low brass), Ed Jacobs (trombone and euphonium), Cody Henry (trombone), Tyler Vahldick (trombone), and David Hardtung (tuba)

Current music educator at Litzsinger School and band staff at Mascoutah High School; board member of the Missouri Illinois Musical Arts Consortium.

Current member of:

- Whatcha Gonna Do Brass Band
- Route 66 Jazz Orchestra
- pit musician around the Saint Louis Area
- founding member of the Do Re Migos Brass Quintet

Performed with:

- Saint Louis Big Band
- Genesis Jazz Project
- Saint Louis Low Brass Collective
- and various groups as a freelance musician

Former member of:

- Saint Louis Brass Band
- SIUE Wind Symphony, Orchestra, Concert Jazz Band, and Steel Band
- Edwardsville Muny Band
- Edwardsville Symphony

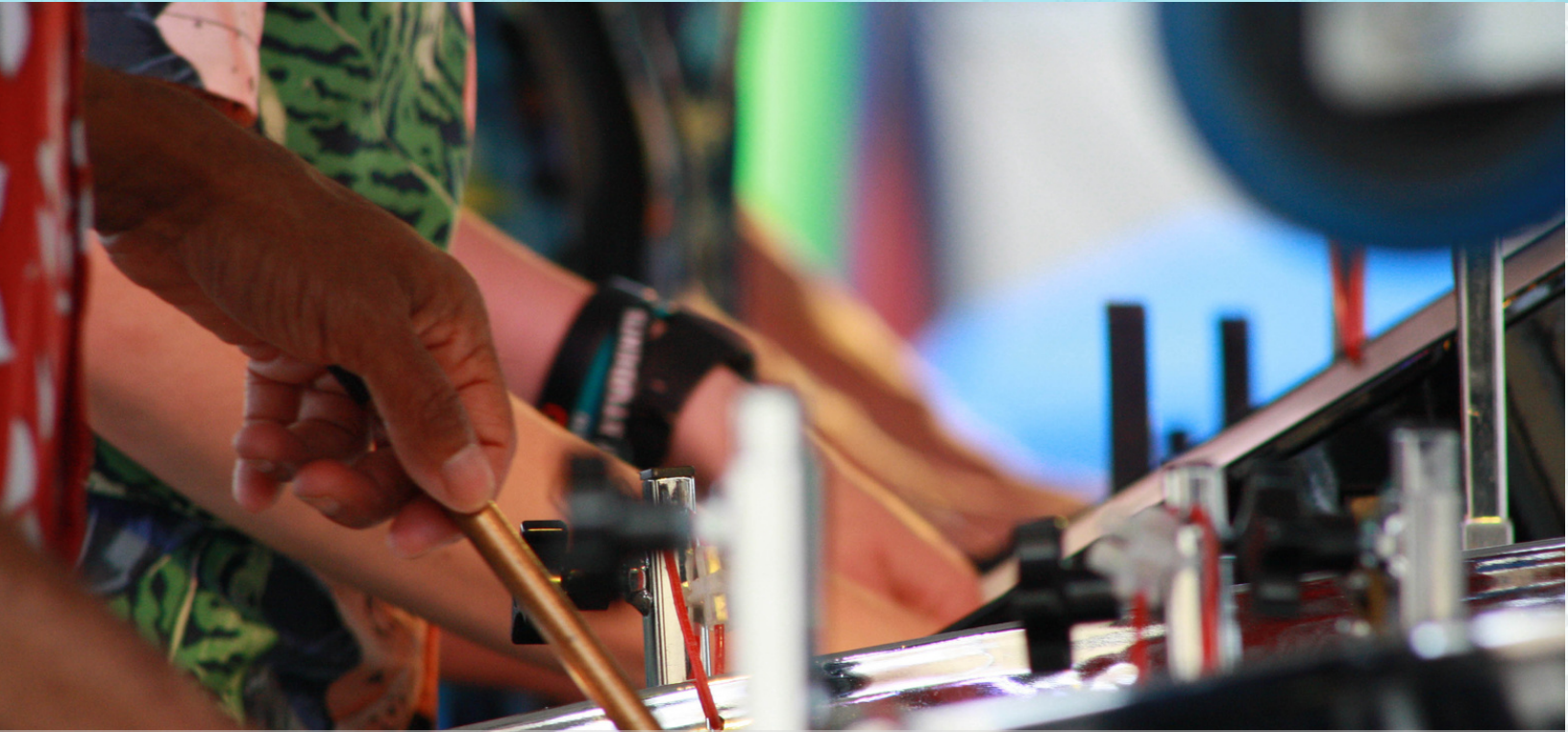
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# HIGHLIGHTS

SIUe STEEL @ St. Paul Kirchefest

August 27, 2023



## SIUe STEEL

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The SIU Edwardsville Steel band represented the Missouri-Illinois Musical Arts Consortium at the Annual St. Paul Kirchenfest in Highland, Illinois. Performing on Sunday the 27th of August, the band performed on a stage where hundreds of people were in attendance, during the festival which sees thousands of attendees every year.

Daniel Smithiger - MIMAC President



# CALENDAR

## UPCOMING EVENTS

**OCT 11TH**

MIMAC sponsors  
Candlelight Quartet  
performance at Catty Shack  
@ 7:30pm

MIMAC members perform at  
SIU Edwardsville,  
Dunham Hall  
@ 7:30pm

**NOV 28TH**

Check out the MIMAC Facebook page for more details on each event



Newsletter created by Makayla Quayle



# MIMAC

The Missouri Illinois Musical Arts Consortium (known as "MIMAC") is organized and operated exclusively for charitable and educational purposes in accordance with Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. More specifically, MIMAC is dedicated to providing a platform for emerging and established musicians, hosting education and performance modules for music events across the St. Louis Area (in a 25-mile radius from downtown St. Louis).

<https://mimac-stl.org>

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