

# Shawn Cullen

Shawn Cullen, educator/conductor/artistic director has quickly earned a reputation for his high-energy teaching style and fresh, innovative artistic nuance. Since 2004 Mr. Cullen has held the position of Director of Bands, Vocal Music & Theater Arts with Tucson Unified School District where he has served as instrumental/choral educator and conductor with students K-12. In 2008 Mr. Cullen was appointed to Assistant Director of Athletic Bands and holds the position of Adjunct Professor in the School of Music at the University of Arizona.

In such a short time, Mr. Cullen has enjoyed a broad and diverse professional career as an educator, performer, conductor, and artistic director. As a professional musician Cullen has traveled throughout the United States, Mexico and South America as a vocalist, instrumentalist and conductor. In 2009 Mr. Cullen became the Artistic Director for the Reveille Men's Chorus, an internationally recognized ensemble with a mission to promote diversity, tolerance, and a world free from HIV/AIDS. Only in his 2<sup>nd</sup> season with Reveille, Mr. Cullen has produced multiple crowd-pleasing concerts breaking attendance records and doubling the chorus's membership with a new and exciting artistic vision. When not teaching or performing, Mr. Cullen serves as an artistic consultant to various musical groups and institutions as a sought-out guest clinician. Cullen has also composed and arranged music for film, radio and the theater and has written and directed multiple staged musical productions.

Mr. Cullen is a graduate of the University of Arizona where he studied trumpet, voice, conducting and music education. Ensembles under Mr. Cullen's direction have been the recipients of the "Arizona Arts Spotlight Award" by Governor Janet Napolitano in 2006 and continue to be awarded "*Superior and Superior with Distinction*" ratings at competitions held in Arizona and California. Cullen has earned credits as a performer and songwriter on multiple albums including Park Avenue Records, acted professionally with the Wilde Playhouse and was recently inducted into "Who's Who in America".

