

BRENT SCHLONEGER holds a Master's degree in Music (Piano Performance) from Kent State University, where he studied with Margaret Baxtresser.

Brent was the first place piano solo division winner in the 1990 Akron Tuesday Musical Club Scholarship Audition. In 1990, 2004, and 2015, he and duo partner Raquel Teare won first place in the duet/two piano category of the OMTA/Graves Piano Solo & Ensemble Competition in Columbus.

Brent is a member of the Ohio Music Teachers' Association, the Music Teachers National Association, and the National Guild of Piano Teachers. He is certified by both the OhioMTA and the MTNA as a private piano instructor. Brent is currently the treasurer for OhioMTA, OhioMTA Middle East District, and the Stark County Music Teachers Association. He has been treasurer of OhioMTA since 1994.

Brent is an independent teacher of piano. His students regularly participate in the annual Guild Auditions and the National Music Certificate Program as well as other events sponsored by OhioMTA and the Stark County Music Teachers Association.

Brent is currently the choral accompanist/assistant at Hiland High School in Holmes County. He also plays 2-3 Sundays per month at Beech Mennonite Church in Louisville. He has been the accompanist, orchestra director and/or musical director for numerous musical theatre productions, and his keyboard skills are in demand for local high school and community theatre productions. He is also currently working as a staff accompanist and applied piano instructor at Mount Union University.

In 2021, Brent was honored by being named a Foundation Fellow by Music Teachers National Association.