Eric Wall

My name is Eric Wall, and I am a senior at the University of Central Oklahoma and graduate from Owasso High School. My degree at UCO is a Bachelor's of Arts in Music with a Double Minor in Jazz Studies with and emphasis on Guitar and Spanish. As a Christian, my life's goal is to make the name of Jesus known, and to see people changed by his grace. I recently proposed to Chloe Hogan, and we are planning to be married in July of 2023. My primary gifts are as a songwriter, music producer, band leader, vocalist, musician, video creator, script writer and event planner. In regards to music, I am a guitarist, pianist, drummer, bassist, singer, songwriter, engineer, producer and manager. I am a creative, a story-teller, musician, tennis player, worship leader and people-loving extrovert.

Involvements

I served as the musical director, a worship leader and musician at Trinity Baptist Church in Yukon. From August of 2020 to 2022, I served primarily as the Youth Worship Director. I became the Music Director in August of 2022. I helped create much of our service content for big events, including writing original content for Mother's Day of 2021 and 2022 and our Christmas service in 2022 titled "The King is in the Room". I was responsible for much of the music production and the entire releasing process of the recording of this song, which is on all



platforms.



I served as the Worship Intern at the Baptist Collegiate Ministry my Sophomore, Junior and Senior year. I started the tradition of the Gospel Worship Night, the Multicultural Worship Night and the Pocket Worship Night.

I am the lead singer, songwriter, guitarist and manager of a growing funk/rock band called Kinda Collective. We have played all throughout Tulsa, OKC, Texas and Kansas, even scheduling a central national tour through Chicago, on top of reaching 1.7 million Spotify listens on our biggest song, "Nicholas Sparks".

I interned at First Baptist Church Owasso during the summer of 2020, primarily with audio production. I mixed their pre-recorded online services throughout the COVID epidemic.

I spent the summer of 2021 in Nicaragua to serve a church and understand the language of Spanish on a colloquial level. While there, I taught guitar lessons to 18 ten to twelve year old

students, and played in the band every week, leading the full service in Spanish my final week.

In 2021, I produced an original worship song titled "Even When" and released it on all platforms. To date, it has received over 13,000 listens on Spotify.

I served as an intern at Second Baptist Houston in the summer of 2022 at the 1463 campus. I led music at their Wednesday nigh youth services and played lead electric guitar at their summer youth camp.

As a freelance worship leader, I have been hired to lead music throughout



Oklahoma and Texas at different churches and events. This has even provided an opportunity to lead worship for a youth event for a church in Abu Dhabi in the United Arab Emirates.

I was the vice president of the tennis club at UCO, helped start the Broncho Book Club, and a leader on the UCO Baptist Collegiate Ministry Worship team.

I was a facilitator at UCOLA in 2020, a student mentoring program aimed to develop freshman in high school in Edmond, OK.

In high school I was the captain of the varsity tennis team and president of the choir council. I competed in the state championship tournament every year of high school and sang in All-State Choirs every year as well.

I sang and played guitar in the Green Country Youth Jazz Ensemble, which competed in New York at the Charles



Mingus Jazz Competition among the most prestigious high school jazz groups in the United States and performed on the news.

I starred in the musical production every year at Owasso High School, including shows like "Oklahoma" and "Shrek".

Some of my minor involvements include: I am a Senior Board officer, a Student Mentor for students with special needs, the founder of the Owasso Outreach Bible Study, a member of Student Council, FCA, Youth Alive, choir, Native American Student Association, National Honor Society, OHS Service Club, and the United States Tennis Association.

<u>Awards</u>

Upon my acceptance at UCO, I received the Baccalaureate Scholarship due to my 34 on the ACT and a Jazz Guitar Performance Scholarship based off of an audition process.

After interviewing with Leadership Central at UCO, I was also awarded a scholarship through the Leaders of Tomorrow council (similar to PLC).

After a university wide vote and interview process, I was selected to be on the Homecoming royalty court at UCO.

I placed 3rd in the MLK Oratory Competition at UCO in 2020.

I was awarded the "Commitment to Civic Engagement" Award out of

the Freshman class at UCO.

I was awarded the BCM Freshman Man of the Year in 2021.

I served a term as the UCO LOT Unity Chair on the Executive board for the council.

At UCO, I have volunteered at UCOLA, PCCCP, 9/11 Day of

Remembrance, Asian Music Night, and Little Event, as well as volunteering at the Timberland Hospice Visiting Center. In addition, I competed in Cheer and Dance with the Leaders of Tomorrow Organization.

I received the State Superintendent Excellence in the Arts Award in Choral Music.

I was awarded the Masonic Student of Today in the 6th and 10th grade.

I am a four-year varsity letterman on the Owasso High School Tennis team. I have qualified for State every year and placed 6th as a freshman at #2 Doubles and 6th as a Junior at #1 Doubles. As a team, we were awarded the 2018 Academic State Champions.

I was voted by my teachers to be a junior attendant at graduation, I was elected as "Mr. Mid-High" my sophomore year by my teachers and peers

I also made the All-State Mixed Choir for all 3 possible years, the All-State Jazz Choir 3 years (One as 1st Alternate), the Oklahoma Summer Arts Institute Chorus 2 years, Jr. High All State 2 years, Children's All-state 2 years, and All-District Honor Choir 5 years.

I received the 2019 Mayfest Young Artist Award for songwriting, which was a district-wide competition with only one winner in songwriting.



