

Connor Étienne Powers

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Orchestral Experience

Principal Horn, World Youth Symphony Orchestra, 2025
Principal Horn, Interlochen Philharmonic, 2023, 2024
TMEA All-State Band, 2025
Houston Youth Symphony - Symphony, 2023 - 2026
- Principal Horn, 2024 - Present
- River Oaks Chamber Orchestra Side-By-Side, 2025
Houston Youth Symphony - Philharmonia, 2022
Kinder HSPVA Orchestra, 2023 - 2026
- Principal Horn, 2024 - Present
Kinder HSPVA Band, 2022 - 2026
- Principal Horn, 2024 - Present
TMEA All-Region Band, 2023 - 2025
TMEA All-Region Orchestra 2023 - 2025

Summer Festivals

Interlochen Arts Camp, 2023, 2024, 2025
American Festival for the Arts, 2022

Primary Instructors

Jamie Leff, 2nd Horn, Houston Ballet Orchestra
Robert Johnson, Associate Principal Horn, Houston
Symphony; Professor of Horn, University of Houston

Lessons / Masterclasses

Bruce Henniss, Ohio State University
Brad Gemeinhardt, Principal Horn, Met Opera
William Vermeulen, Principal Horn, Houston Symphony
Ian Mayton, 2nd Horn, Houston Symphony
Brian Mangrum, 3rd Horn, Houston Symphony
Margaret Tung, Cincinnati College-Conservatory of
Music
Gavin Reed, 2nd Horn, River Oaks Chamber Orchestra;
University of Houston
Eric Ralske, Principal Horn, Met Opera; Juilliard
Conservatory
Adam Unsworth, Principal Horn, Ann Arbor Symphony;
Northwestern University
Elizabeth Freimuth, Principal Horn, Cincinnati
Symphony; Rice University
Lauren Hunt, Interlochen Arts Academy
Hazel Dean-Davis, Boston University
Michelle Baker, Manhattan School of Music

Awards/Competitions

National YoungArts Winner, 2025
Interlochen Arts Camp Orchestral Scholar, 2025
Interlochen Concerto Competition Finalist, 2025
Interlochen Fine Arts Award, 2025
Texas State Solo & Ensemble Outstanding Performer,
2023, 2024, 2025
TMEA Texas Music Scholar, 2023, 2024, 2025
HSPVA Band Concerto Competition Winner, 2025
Echo Orchestra Concerto Competition Finalist, 2025
Symphony North of Houston Concerto Competition
Finalist, 2025

Major Orchestral Repertoire

Berlioz: Symphonie Fantastique
Dvorak: Symphony No. 8, No. 9, Cello Concerto No. 1
Gershwin: Rhapsody in Blue
Holt: The Planets
Liszt: Les Preludes
Mahler: Symphony No. 1, No. 2
Price: Symphony No. 3
Prokofiev: Romeo and Juliet
Rachmaninoff: Symphony No. 2
Rimsky-Korsakov: Capriccio Espagnol, Scheherazade
Shostakovich: Symphony No. 10, No. 11
Stravinsky: The Rite of Spring
Tchaikovsky: Symphony No. 2, No. 5, Romeo and Juliet

Solo / Concerto

Krol: Laudatio
Madsen: The Dream of the Rhinoceros
Mozart: Horn Concerto No. 2, No. 3, No. 4
Saint-Saëns: Morceau de Concert
Strauss: Horn Concerto No. 1

Education

Kinder High School for the Performing and Visual Arts,
Class of 2026
GPA 4.51 W / 4.0 UW
SAT 1510 / 1570 SuperScore
AP Scholar with Distinction
National Honor Society
National Social Studies Honor Society