

Department of Music

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Bass

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Alexander Deuel Bush is an adjunct faculty member at Montana State University - Billings, where he teaches private lessons on electric and upright bass.

Alex began playing electric bass at the age of 11 and was largely self-taught in bass, guitar, piano, and drums, until starting formal bass lessons in 2017 after joining the music department at Montana State University - Billings. While earning his B.A. in Music Performance, Alex composed and arranged for the jazz and commercial ensembles, recorded and archived all music department performances, and received several awards including Outstanding Graduating Musician, Outstanding Undergraduate Leadership Award, and the Jazz Ensembles Leadership Award.

Since graduating in 2021, he has been teaching private bass and guitar lessons, working as an audio engineer, and studying lutherie. Active in the Montana and Wyoming music scenes, he has performed with groups like The Soul Funk Collective, Canyon Strings Society, The Gavin Russell Band, Eric Richards Jazz Band, Rocky Mountain Jazz Collective, Montana Avenue Jazz Exchange, JK and The Northern Lights, and The Pack Rats. He also subs with the Billings Symphony Orchestra and works as a live audio engineer for various venues including Alberta Bair Theater, Thirsty Street Brewing Company, Alive After 5, and the MSU Billings Jazz Festival.