## Leon F. Brown

Leon F. Brown (1918-2002), was the University of North Texas' first trombone professor. During his 37 years at the university, he built one of the largest and most productive trombone programs in the United States. He inaugurated the North Texas Brass Choir and the North Texas Trombone Choir. He published approximately 75 compositions for chorus and brass. He was a member of the Texas Music Educators' Association, National Association of College Wind and Percussion Instructors and the Texas Association of College Teachers. He began his career as a high school band director in Guymon, Oklahoma, and taught at the U.S. Navy School of Music in Washington, D.C., before joining the North Texas faculty. In 1983, he received the Distinguished Service Award from the International Trombone Association, which he helped found.

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