

## Region 9 Faculty Resume

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**Education:** James graduated from the University of Missouri–Rolla (now called Missouri S&T) and holds a BS in Electrical Engineering and a minor in music. He also received an MS in Industrial Engineering from the University of Florida. Throughout high school and college years, James was active in various choirs and musical theatre programs.

**Positions held:** Director, Assistant Director, Section Leader, Regional Faculty, Judge, Board Member, Show Chair.

**Personal:** During his nearly 30 years of barbershop singing, James has sung in several quartets. The longest, and most notable, singing tenor with HotShots who won the BHS Sunshine district championship in 2006 and then made it to the semi-finals of the 2008 BHS international contest. James has directed South Florida Jubilee for the last 23 years and is a Certified, Harmony 500 director. James is also a certified BHS singing judge.

**Areas of Expertise:** Areas of expertise covers a variety of musical and technical areas. Please see skills matrix for details or contact her to inquire about specific needs you may have.

**General area where you live and how far you are willing to travel:** James lives in Southeast Florida and will negotiate dates/time based on the situation. James will drive up to an hour each way on weeknights and up to three hours each way on weekends or fly on weekends. Quartets are welcome to travel to James provided there are no allergy problems with dogs or cats. While weekends are often best, it may be possible to schedule something during the week. Zoom is also an option.

**How far in advance do you typically book?** Prefers at least two weeks' notice but, depending on the situation, may be able to accommodate requests with shorter notice. Will schedule as far out as 2 years.

**Are you willing to give PVI's at Regional meetings, chorus/quartet coaching, area schools, etc.?** Yes