



Principal flutist Diana Sipes is a Professor of Music at Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi, where she has taught since 2002 and served as Chair of the Department of Music since Fall 2011. Her teaching areas include applied flute, flute ensemble, music theory, and techniques courses. She has been principal flute with the Victoria Symphony Orchestra since 1997 and with the Corpus Christi Symphony Orchestra since 1994. She previously performed with orchestras in South Carolina, Georgia, Ohio, and Louisiana. Diana also remains active as a recitalist, chamber musician, clinician, and adjudicator.

She earned a Bachelor of Music Education with a Performance Certificate and a Master of Music Education from the University of South Carolina and a Doctor of Musical Arts in flute performance with a theory minor from Louisiana State University.

A native of Aiken, South Carolina, Diana started her official music studies with piano lessons in fourth grade, which she continued until she started flute in middle school band in seventh grade. Her first flute was her father's instrument, as he had played through his college years, and his father played in a fife and drum corps in New England, so it was a natural choice!

Diana lives in Corpus Christi with her husband Dan, who is also a music faculty member at TAMUCC, her two daughters, and three cats. When they aren't practicing for performances, Dan and Diana enjoy working on home renovations and working out at the gym.