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Dr. Brian Runnels named new Music Director of G&S Houston

The **2004 International Champion** Gilbert & Sullivan Society of Houston is pleased to announce the acquisition of the services of Dr. Brian Runnels as our new Music Director.

Dr. Runnels will be taking the place of Dr. Clifton Evans, who has accepted a position at the University of Texas at Arlington.

Dr. Runnels has a wealth of conducting experience in musical theater (including Gilbert & Sullivan), oratorio, and opera. He holds a Doctor of Music Arts degree in orchestra conducting from the University of Missouri at Kansas City, a Masters of Music degree in church music and choral conducting from Murray State University in Murray, Kentucky, and a Bachelor of Music degree from Houston Baptist University in Houston, Texas.

Currently, Dr. Runnels is the Dean of the College of Arts and Humanities at HBU. In addition to his administrative duties, he serves as a Professor of Music.

Dr. Runnels is also the music director of the Houston Civic Symphony.