Dedication: Donzell Lee
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An outstanding musician, teacher, and leader, Donzell Lee has been an important asset to honors for over twenty-five years. Having received his B.Mus. from Xavier University of Louisiana, his M.A. from Stanford University, and his Ph.D. from Louisiana State University, Donzell joined the faculty of Alcorn State University in 1981 and remains there as Professor of Music. His career in honors began in 1984, when he assumed the position of Director of the Honors Curriculum Program at Alcorn State. Since that time he has been active in the National Association of African-American Honors Programs, the Southern Regional Honors Council, and the National Collegiate Honors Council. He was one of the founders of the NAAAHp and served as president from 1992 to 1994. In the SRHC, he served as vice president, conference program chair, and president in 1993-95. In the NCHC, he served in the full sequence of offices, including president, from 2000 through 2004. In all these organizations, his calm and inclusive leadership style has been invaluable. Throughout the past decade he has also taken responsibility for organizing Master Classes at the NCHC conferences and has remained a significant contributor to the success of not just honors conferences but honors education. A lovely bonus has been his many piano performances at conferences over the years, and one of my favorite memories of Donzell will always be seeing him arrive at SRHC conferences with many busloads of his wonderful students, all in their Alcorn State University jackets. We are happy to honor this exceptional educator, leader, and person by dedicating to him this issue of Honors in Practice.