

Sherwood High School Bands ~ Spring Concert Wednesday, April 3rd, 2019

Bowmen Band

Chorale & Fugue in F Major, Johann Sebastian Bach/arr. Larry D. Daehn
Apparitions, Brian Balmages
Lord of the Rings Excerpts, Johan de Meij/arr. Paul Lavender

Concert Band

Alpina Fanfare, Franco Cesarini Heart Songs mvt. II, David Maslanka Arabian Dances, Brian Balmages

Wind Ensemble

La Fiesta Mexicana, H. Owen Reed
-Mvt. II: Mass
-Mvt. III: Carnival
Traveler, David Maslanka

Friendly Concert Reminders:

Please silence your Cell Phones

Hold applause until the end of a multi-movement piece
Wait until between pieces to enter or leave
Refrain from flash photography

Bowmen Band Members

Flute

Max Chambers Sofia Hernandez Bryanna Jernstedt Nicole Molzahn Hana Nadir Megan Riggs Eaton Wen

Bass Clarinet

Hannah Finck

Clarinet

Noah Coxey Wyatt Hammer Sydney Lackey Brendan Laus Elijah Brown

Alto Saxophone

Nicholas Aggson Mason Conan Gavin Fleming Andrea Garcia-Lopez Tenor Saxophone

David Hainley Jarrett Sutherland

Trumpet

Owen Heard Jackson Leroux Carson Lindgren Jordan Scott

French Horn

Sam Adamson Rian Edwards Alexandre Lesieutre Hayden Price

Trombone

Letitia Adjei Andrew Thayer

Euphonium

Tori Gregory Elizabeth Price <u>Tuba</u>

Aiden Patterson Olivia Whelchel

Percussion

Andrew Al-Sheikhly Nathan Badouli Gavin Dotson Rachel Farner Aeden McClellan Ryen Sternkopf Logan Vaughn

Concert Band Members

Flute

McKinnlee Curtis Sage Derting Kelsey Harty Catherine Nguyen Sarah Quesenberry

Oboe

Madison Tackett

Clarinet

Grace Applegate Lilly Cordier Alaina Flores Kara Levy Kaitlyn Starling Lan Tran Kelsey Vincent

Alto Saxophone

Michelle Easton Amanda Esser Sophie Falls Drayke Gunderson Bass Clarinet

Jackson Longmire

Tenor Saxophone Vincent La

Baritone Saxophone Zach Mirek

Trumpet

Liam Hardy Jakob Moon Kira Smith Michael Stephens French Horn

Cooper Elkins Joshua Henninger Rachel Quesenberry

Trombone

Jonathan Cuenca Jared Loop Aidan Mickel Luke Soto

Euphonium

Eloise Thoreson

String Bass Shae Upton

Percussion

Jonathon Ashe John Dotson Kassie Cordier Daniel Ely Colin Hough DB Lam Everyt Schroeder

Wind Ensemble Members

Flute

Adelynn McCoy Camryn Porter Anneka Prigodich Rianna Upton

Bassoon

Tommy Laido David Ma

Oboe

Sam Jewett Elyzabeth Biasi Clarinet

Niall Alboro Andrew Bae Brooke Guthrie David Hilt Holly Schroeder Sidney Sproul Jacob Taylor Robert Weener

Bass Clarinet

Cole Emery

Alto Saxophone Jonathan Laus Matthew Hainley Tenor Saxophone

Zach Szklarz

Baritone Saxophone

Ryan Fillinger-Palotay Ashley Ma

Trumpet

Matthew Castronovo Brandon Kuske Jared Porter Nora Robertson Robert Schmidt Jonathan Wakefield Connie Williamson

French Horn

Madison Bishop Helen Leon Travis Matlock William Scypinski

Trombone

Jakob Bergman Josh Busby Anna Castronovo Noah Culbertson Ryan Gorski

Piano

Lizzy Cichoski

Euphonium

Regan Palmer Sarah Voorhies George Westover

<u>Tuba</u>

Carter Hawes Cody Layne Reilly McClellan

Percussion

Shannon Jackson William Jensen Ian Kleditz Nathan Shipman Ethan Spencer

Program Notes

Chorale & Fugue in F Major, Johann Sebastian Bach/arr. Larry D. Daehn

"This beautiful F Major Chorale is Number 176 of Bach's 371 *Harmonized Chorales*, Blessed Christ Hath Risen. This wonderful example of Bach's sacred writing is a splendid cantabile teaching piece, as well as a fine warm-up selection for rehearsals.

"This is Fugue IV of Bach's *Eight Little Preludes and Fugues*, written during the nine years the composer spent in Weimer (1708-17), where many of his organ compositions were conceived. Historians seems to agree that these pieces were probably written as teaching material, either for Bach's organ scholars, or for the instruction of his two eldest sons. Bach's endeavor to write good teaching material was so successful that this collection, especially the fugues, has taken a high place in our musical literature.

"In terms of of excellent counterpoint and forthright musical enjoyment, these compact essays are some of the composer's finest!"

- Arr. Larry D. Daehn

Apparitions, Brian Balmages

"Contrary to what the title may implay, this is not a novelty work. Rather, it focuses on musicality and lyricism while having a slight contemporary edge. The work paints a picture of lonely apparitions that constantly appear and then fade away. To portray this, the work constantly alternates between consonant and dissonant sections while numerous effect to bind the entire work together. Ultimately, the work comes to a powerful climax before the apparitions begin to fade for the final time and the music ends in a soft state of unrest.

"As previously stated, there is a comfortable amount of dissonance used throughout the piece. Directors should use this as an opportunity to let students embrace the unique sounds. They should approach the intervals with confidence so the chords don't sound 'wrong' or lacking. As they begin to understand their relationship to the rest of the work, I am confident they will appreciate their role and approach it with more interest, dedication and intensity."

- Brian Balmages

The Lord of the Rings, Excerpts From Symphony No. 1, Johan de Meij/arr. Paul Lavender

Johan de Meij's first symphony The Lord of the Rings is based on the trilogy of that name by J.R.R Tolkien. This book has fascinated many millions of readers since its publication in 1955. The symphony consists of five separate movements, each illustrating a personage or an important episode from the book.

The Symphony Lord of the Rings was awarded a first place prize in the Sudler International Wind Band Composition Competition in Chicago, and a year later, the Symphony was awarded by the Dutch Composers Fund.

Alpina Fanfare, Franco Cesarini

The Swiss composer Franco Cesarini is a very versatile composer. He not only writes for concert band and wind ensemble, but also for solo instrument, piano, strings and symphony orchestra. He composed "Alpina Fanfare" for Kurt Brogli and the Swiss-Loss-Band. Just as the title suggests, the work includes fanfare-like elements, at the beginning and again at the end. A solemn middle bridge completes the composition.

Heart Songs, David Maslanka

These 4 variations capture the wide variety of emotions from the picture that Maslanka is trying to create based off " of watering the tree of life with the blood of a heart." Maslanka's style is composed of a variation of heart-felt lyricism and rhythmic drive creating a gorgeous feeling of love and compassion. This piece makes the heart swell and then melt with its rapidly changing variations and melodies that harmonize between the entirety of the band.

Arabian Dances, Brian Balmages

It is common for Arabian songs to out harmony, instead evolving into a mixture of traditional and contemporary sounds that coexist and form a single dancing piece. There are three themes that are used in this work; the first being a love ballad that was evolved into a melody reflecting on the loss homeland and a new desire for freedom. The second theme is simply used as a unifying device for the work which helps the piece to meld into the third theme, a bridge between traditional and contemporary sounds, using western percussion instruments while still developing with new harmonies.

La Fiesta Mexicana, H. Owen Reed

"The Mexican, as a result of his religious heritage, feels an inner desire to express love and honor for his Virgin. The Mexican fiesta, which is an integral part of this social structure, is a study in contrasts: It is both serious and comical, festive and solemn, devout and pagan, boisterous and tender."

"La Fiesta Mexicana,' which attempts to portray musically one of these fiestas, is divided into three movements. These movements, plus possible choreographic notes, are described below.

I. Prelude and Aztec Dance.

"The tolling of the church bells and the bold noise of fireworks at midnight officially announce the opening of the fiesta. Groups of Mexicans from near and far slowly descend upon the huge court surrounding the old cathedral---some on foot, some by burro, and still others on bleeding knees, suffering out of homage to a past miracle.

After a brave effort at gaiety, the celebrators settle down on their serapes to a restless night until the church bells and fireworks again intrude upon the early quiet of the Mexican morn.

At midday a parade is announced by the blatant blare of trumpets. A band is heard in the distance. The attention is focused on the Aztec dancers, brilliantly plumed and masked, who dance in ever-increasing frenzy to a dramatic climax."

II. Mass.

"The toiling os the bells is now a reminder that a fiesta is, after all, a religious celebration. The rich and poor slowly gather within the walls of the old cathedral for contemplation and worship."

III. Carnival.

"Mexico is at its best on the days of the fiesta, a day on which passion governs the love, hate, and joy of the Mestizo and the Indio. There is entertainment for both young and old---the itinerant circus (first part of the movement), the market, the bull fight, the town band, and always the cantinas with their band of mariachis---on the day of days: fiesta."

- H. Owen Reed

Traveler, David Maslanka

"Traveler was commissioned in 2003 by the University of Texas at Arlington Band □Alumni Association, the Delta sigma chapter of Kappa Kappa Psi and the Gamma Nu Chapter of Tau Beta Sigma, in honor of the career contributions of Ray C. Lichtenwalter, retiring Director of bands at UT Arlington. Ray has been a close friend and it was a great pleasure for me to write this piece for his final concert.

"The idea for Traveler came from the feeling of a big life movement as I contemplated my friend's retirement. Traveler begins with an assertive statement of the chorale melody 'Not so sad, not so much.' The chorale was not chosen for its title, although in retrospect it seems quite appropriate. The last part of a life need not be sad. It is the accumulation of all that has gone before, and a powerful projection into the future- the tremendous gift of life and joy. And so the music begins with energy and movement, depicting an engaged life in full stride. At the halfway point, a meditative quiet settles in. Life's battles are largely done; the soul is preparing for its next big step."

"In our hearts, our minds, our souls

We travel from life to life to life

In time and eternity."

Upcoming Events

Event	Date	Band
Western Oregon Festival	April 5 th	Wind Ensemble
NWAPA Perc./Winds Championships	April 6 th	Winter Percussion & Winds
PAC League Band Festival	April 11 th	Wind Ensemble
MFA Festival	April 13 th	Wind Ensemble
Winter Encore Performance	April 16 th	Winter Percussion, Winterguard, Winds
West Linn Band Festival	April 18 th	Bowmen & Concert Bands
OSAA Small Ensemble Contest	April 26 th	Ensembles Who Qualified
OSAA Solo Contest	April 27 th	Soloists Who Qualified
Mt Hood Jazz Festival	May 4 th	Jazz I & Jazz II
State Contest Preview Concert	May 9th	Wind Ensemble
OSAA State Band Contest	May 11 th	Wind Ensemble
Finale Band Concert	May 20 th	Wind Ensemble, Concert Band, Bowmen Band
Stella by Starlight	May 28th	Jazz I & Jazz II
Graduation	June 7 th	All Band Members (Freshmen, Sophomore, Jrs)

More calendar dates can be found at www.sherwoodbands.org

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Thank you

Thank you to the Sherwood School District, SHS Staff, Parents, SHS Band Boosters and all others who play an important role in our students' musical success. These students are wonderful and I am grateful to have the opportunity to work with them and create music every day. Our students have shined at concerts, festivals, basketball games, solo & ensemble, and winter percussion, guard, and wind performances. Our jazz band and combo has been out in our community performing locally as well which has been a real treat. This takes a lot of practice, rehearsal, and administrative support. Our Band Boosters do a ton behind the scenes to make Sherwood one of the best programs in Oregon and the Northwest, and we have a lot of open positions and opportunities for volunteer hours. Please consider getting involved with our boosters throughout the entire school year. Please continue your support to keep music an important part of a well-rounded education!