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- Graduate Certificate in Music (Professional Studies)



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## Wednesday, February 19

1:30 pm – 7:00 pm Exhibitor Set-up Hall C  
6:00 pm – 9:00 pm *Early Bird Registration – Beat the Thursday Morning Crowd* Grand Lobby

## Thursday, February 20

7:00 am – 8:30 am Exhibit Set-up Hall C  
7:00 am – 5:15 pm Registration Grand Lobby  
8:30 am – 12:00 pm EXHIBITS OPEN Hall C  
9:30 am – 9:50 am OPENING SESSION – Dr. Jonathan Palant, Univ. of Texas at Dallas - Keynote Hall A  
All Students in an All-State Organization and their Directors  
10:00 am – 12:00 pm All-State Rehearsals  
SATB Choir Hall A  
TTBB Choir St. Luke Episcopal  
SSAA Choir HHS Grand Ballroom  
Orchestra ASMSA  
Concert Band Horner  
Symphonic Band 207 – 208 – 209  
Wind Symphony Arena  
1<sup>st</sup> All-State Jazz Band Maxwell Blade Theatre  
2<sup>nd</sup> All-State Jazz Band 104 – 105  
10:00 am – 10:30 am AR Intercollegiate Band Percussion Meeting and Setup Hall D  
10:00 am – 12:00 pm AR Intercollegiate Choir (AIC) Registration St. Luke Episcopal  
10:30 am – 11:30 am AR Intercollegiate Full Ensemble Band Seating and Opening Meeting Hall D  
10:30 am – 11:45 am ASBOA Clinic – AIB Clinician – Randall Standridge 102 – 103  
10:30 am – 12:00 pm ArkCDA/ASBOA Clinic – Artificial Intelligence – Dr. James Weaver 201 – 202  
National Federation of State High School Associations – Music Division  
12:00 pm – 1:30 pm Lunch  
1:00 pm – 5:00 pm AR Intercollegiate Choir Rehearsal St. Luke Episcopal  
1:30 pm – 5:00 pm AR Intercollegiate Band Rehearsal Hall D  
1:30 pm – 5:30 pm EXHIBITS OPEN Hall C  
2:00 pm – 5:30 pm All-State Rehearsals Same Areas  
2:00 pm – 3:30 pm ArkCDA Clinic – Achieving Better Choral Blend Through Voicing the Choir 203 – 204  
Dr. Dana Ihm – University of Arkansas Monticello  
2:00 pm – 3:30 pm ASBOA/ArkCDA Clinic – Working With Your Administrator – Dr. James Weaver, National Federation of State High School Associations – Music Division 201 – 202  
2:00 pm – 4:00 pm ASBOA Committees (as needed) 101 & 106  
2:00 pm – 3:00 pm North Orchestra Directors Meeting – Rachel Czech, Presiding ASMSA  
2:00 pm – 3:00 pm South Orchestra Directors Meeting – Jennifer Michaels, Presiding ASMSA  
3:00 pm – 3:55 pm Combined Orchestra Directors Meeting – Casey Buck, Presiding ASMSA  
3:45 pm – 4:45 pm ASBOA Clinic – A Conversation with Frank Washburn – John Caldwell 102 – 103  
3:45 pm – 5:15 pm ArkCDA Clinic – Young and Capable: Practical Applications for Middle School and Beyond – Keith Reeves – Alma Middle School 203 – 204  
4:15 pm – 5:00 pm AR CBDNA Meeting – Gretchen Renshaw, Presiding 206  
4:15 pm – 5:00 pm ARJE Meeting – Trent Warner, Presiding 106  
6:00 pm ABA Board Meeting – Hope Bruner, Presiding 206  
7:00 pm – 9:00 pm AR Intercollegiate Choir Rehearsal TBA  
7:00 pm – 10:00 pm AR Intercollegiate Band Rehearsal Hall D  
11:00 pm Curfew

## Friday, February 21

7:30 am – 9:30 am ArkCDA Executive Board – Terry Hicks, Presiding HSCC Board Room – 206  
8:00 am – 9:00 am ASTA Directors' Breakfast ASMSA  
8:00 am – 11:30 am Registration Grand Lobby  
8:00 am – 11:00 am AR Intercollegiate Choir Rehearsal St. Luke Episcopal

8:00 am – 12:00 pm	AR Intercollegiate Band Rehearsal	Hall D
8:00 am – 11:30 am	ASBOA Committee Meetings (as needed)	106 – HHS Board
8:00 am – 11:30 am	EXHIBITS OPEN	Hall C
8:30 am – 11:30 am	All-State Rehearsals	Same areas
8:30 am – 9:25 am	ArkCDA Clinic – Building Effective Choral PLCs: Collaboration, Assessment, And Data Analysis – Lori Hanlon and Ben Hill – Springdale	203 – 204
8:30 am – 10:00 am	ArkCDA/ASBOA Clinic – Working With Your Administrator – Dr. James Weaver, National Federation of State High School Associations – Music Division	201 – 202
8:30 am – 8:45 am	Phi Beta Mu Candidate Authentication	102 – 103
9:00 am – 9:50 am	Phi Beta Mu Meeting – Carrie Teague, Presiding	102 – 103
9:15 am – 10:15 am	ASTA Clinic – Playing String Instruments and Maintaining Wellness – Dr. Steven Forbush	ASMSA
9:30 am – 10:25 am	ArkMEA Clinic – Composing and Creating with Technology – Darla Corral Bryant Public Schools	HHS M 2 – 3
9:45 am – 11:15 am	ArkCDA Clinic – Into the Unknown: Navigating Through the World of CPA Sight Reading – Angela Weaver – Southside Charter High School	203 – 204
10:00 am – 10:30 am	ASBOA Executive Board – Scott Villines, Presiding	HSCC Board Room – 206
10:15 am – 11:30 am	ASBOA Clinic – Thoughts on the History of Trumpet Pedagogy – Dr. Gary Barrow, Arkansas Tech University, Retired	102 – 103
10:30 am – 11:30 am	ASTA Clinic – Reducing Muscle and Joint Strain While Playing Strings – Dr. Steven Forbush	ASMSA
10:30 am – 11:25 am	ArkMEA Clinic – Passport to the World – Laura West, Hot Springs School District	HHS M 2 – 3
11:30 am – 1:00 pm	Lunch	
11:30 am – 1:00 pm	AR Intercollegiate Choir Dress Rehearsal	Hall A
12:30 pm – 5:15 pm	Registration	Grand Lobby
1:00 pm – 4:30 pm	EXHIBITS OPEN	Hall C
<b>1:00 pm – 1:30 pm</b>	<b>AR Intercollegiate Choir Performance – Dr. Jan Taylor Prairie View A &amp; M University</b>	Hall A
1:00 pm – 2:15 pm	Orchestra Dedicated Exhibit Time	Hall C
1:30 pm – 5:30 pm	All-State Rehearsals (Choral Groups Will End at 5:00 pm) <b>Except Orchestra</b>	Same areas
1:30 pm – 5:30 pm	ASBOA Committee Meetings (as needed)	HHS Board & HHS M 1
1:30 pm – 2:00 pm	ASTA General Business Meeting – Logan Mabry, Presiding	ASMSA
1:30 pm – 2:15 pm	AWBDA Meeting – Michelle Smith, Presiding	102 – 103
1:30 pm – 2:45 pm	AR Intercollegiate Band Rehearsal	Hall D
1:30 pm – 3:00 pm	ASBOA/ArkCDA Clinic – Artificial Intelligence – Dr. James Weaver National Federation of State High School Associations – Music Division	201 – 202
1:45 pm – 2:15 pm	Music Conference Board	206
1:45 pm – 2:40 pm	ArkMEA Clinic – Organizing the Chaos of Creativity in the Music Classroom - Stephanie Williams, Benton School District	HHS M 2 – 3
2:00 pm – 3:30 pm	ArkCDA Clinic – Music Literacy in Action: Fun, Games, and Singing – Jeremy Hall and Alicia Davidson – Batesville Charter	203 – 204
2:00 pm – 2:45 pm	AR Intercollegiate Band Sound Check	
2:00 pm – 4:00 pm	ASTA Orchestra Reading Session	ASMSA
2:30 pm – 5:30 pm	Orchestra Rehearsal	ASMSA
<b>3:00 pm – 3:45 pm</b>	<b>AR Intercollegiate Band Performance – Randall Standridge</b>	<b>Hall D</b>
3:20 pm – 4:20 pm	Honor Ensemble Concert Set-up/Warm-up – Honor Ensemble Committee	102 – 103/Hall D
3:20 – 3:45 pm	Springdale Lakeside Junior High Wind Symphony – Angel Mauldin	106/102 – 103
3:55 – 4:20 pm	Cabot Freshman Academy Symphonic Band – John Prater/Erica Hann	101/102 – 103
3:45 pm – 5:00 pm	ArkCDA General Meeting – Terry Hicks, Presiding	203 – 204
4:00 pm – 5:00 pm	<b>Honor Ensembles Concerts</b>	Hall D
	<b>4:00 – 4:25 pm Springdale Lakeside Junior High Wind Symphony – Angel Mauldin</b>	
	<b>4:35 – 5:00 pm Cabot Freshman Academy Symphonic Band – John Prater/Erica Hann</b>	
4:15 pm – 5:00 pm	ASTA General Business Meeting – Logan Mabry, Presiding	ASMSA
<b>7:30 pm</b>	<b>Evening Choir Honor Concerts</b>	<b>Hall A</b>
	<b>Woodland Junior High Advanced Treble Choir - Erin Schlabach</b>	
	<b>Rogers High School Chamber Singers - Dr. Ryan Fox</b>	
	<b>University of Central Arkansas Natural Statesmen - Dr. Paul Mayhew</b>	
11:00 pm	Curfew	

**Saturday, February 22**

8:00 am – 8:30 am	Final Stage/Floor Set-up ASBOA & ArkCDA	Arena – Hall A
8:30 am – 10:15 am	ASBOA All-State Dress Rehearsals	
	Wind Symphony	Arena
	Symphonic Band	207 – 208 – 209
	Concert Band	Horner
	Orchestra	Hall D
	1 <sup>st</sup> All-State Jazz Band	203 – 204
	2 <sup>nd</sup> All-State Jazz Band	104 – 105
8:30 am – 11:00 am	ArkCDA All-State Dress Rehearsals	
	TTBB Choir	Hall A – St. Luke Episcopal
	SSAA Choir	Hall A – HHS Grand Ballroom
	SATB Choir	Hall A – Hall B
9:00 am – 9:30 am	ASBOA Business Meeting – Scott Villines, Presiding	102 – 103
11:00 am – 11:50 am	Orchestra Warm-up	Arena
11:30 am	Choirs Assemble for Performance	Hall A
12:30 pm – 12:50 pm	Concert Band Warm-up	Hall D
1:30 pm – 1:50 pm	Symphonic Band Warm-up	Hall D
2:30 pm – 2:50 pm	Wind Symphony Warm-up	Hall D



***ALL-STATE PERFORMANCES***

**ArkCDA CONCERTS  
HALL A**

- 12:00 pm TTBB CHOIR - Dr. Jonathan Palant
- 12:30 pm SSAA CHOIR - Christy Elsner
- 1:00 pm SATB CHOIR - Dr. Jeffery Ames

**ASBOA CONCERTS  
HORNER**

- 10:45 am SECOND JAZZ BAND - Dr. Steve Holley
- 11:30 am FIRST JAZZ BAND - Dr. Roosevelt Griffin

**ARENA**

- 12:00 pm ORCHESTRA - Dr. Gene Moon
- 1:00 pm CONCERT BAND - Dr. Simon Holoweiko
- 2:00 pm SYMPHONIC BAND - Dr. Joseph Parisi
- 3:00 pm WIND SYMPHONY - Dr. Kevin Gerald

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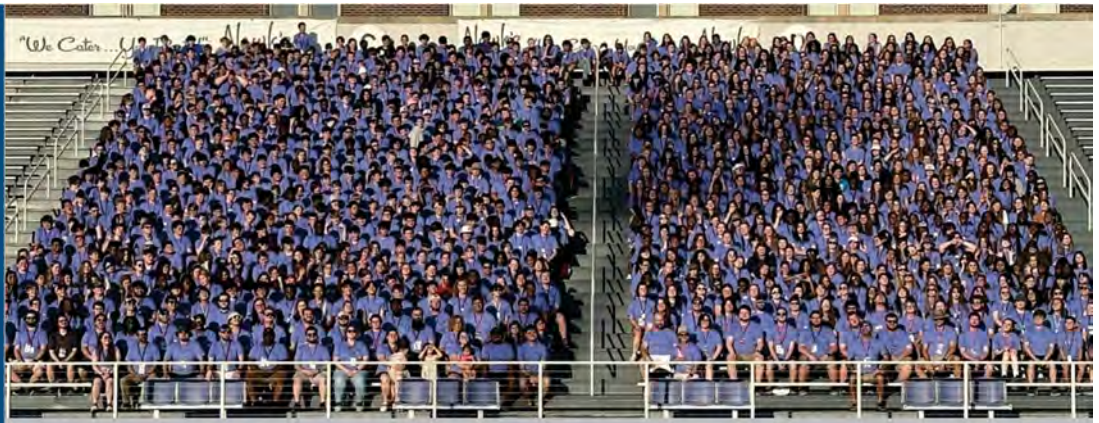
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**DSO Season Performances**

**Young Artist Concert**

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**Baseball Opening Day Concert**

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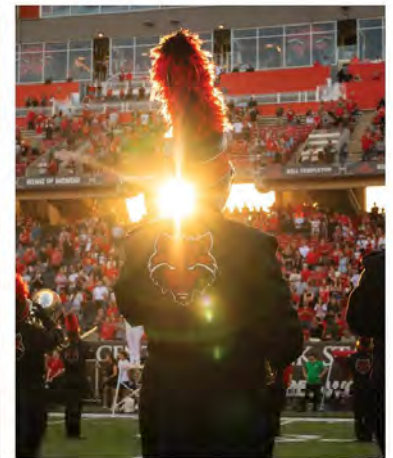


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- Bachelor of Music Education
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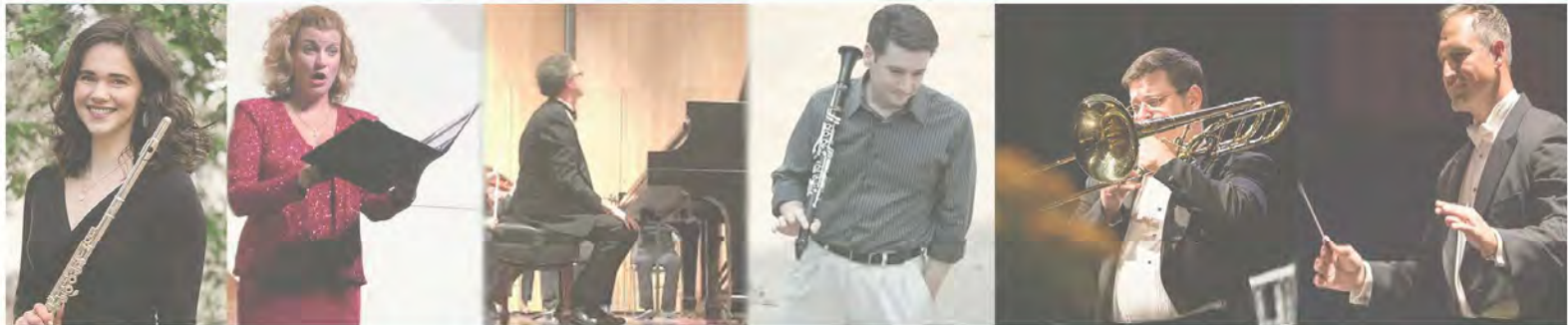
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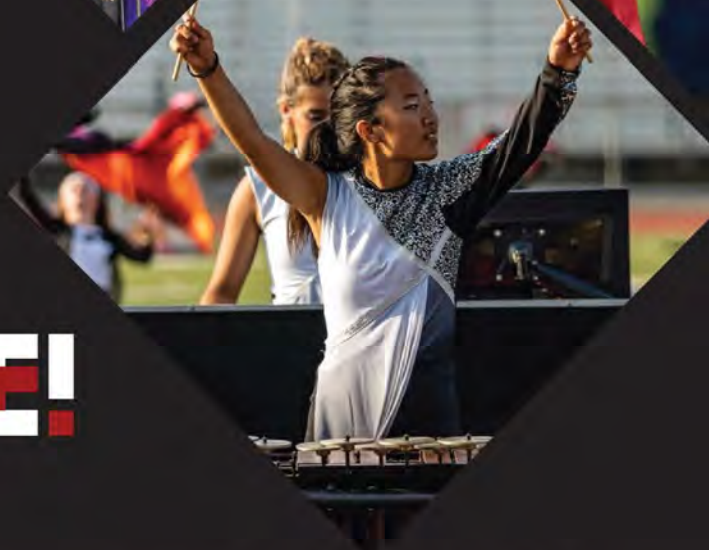
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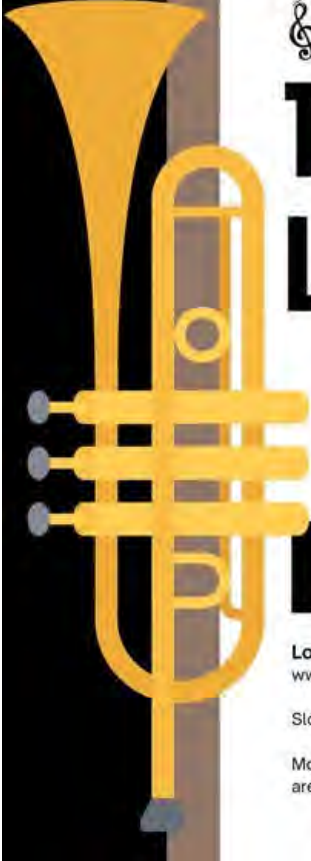
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