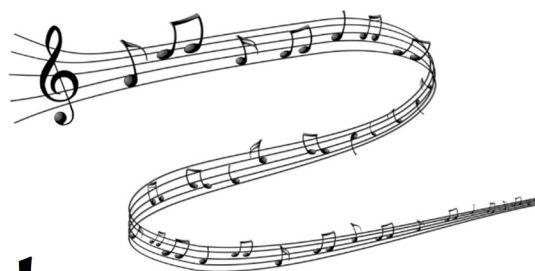


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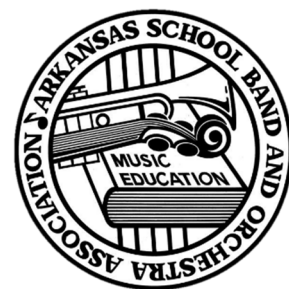
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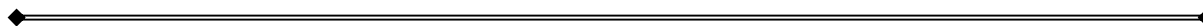
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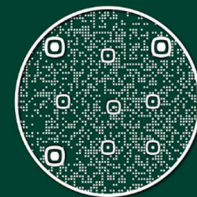
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2025 ASBOA

State Concert Contest

Monday and Tuesday
2A, 3A, 6A, and 7A

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The Colony ISD, The Colony, TX, Retired

Jeff Turner

Allen ISD, Allen, TX

BILL BRENT



William E. (Bill) Brent is Director Emeritus of the Dear School of Creative and Performing Arts at Northwestern State University of Louisiana and currently serves as the Executive Secretary of the Louisiana Music Adjudicators Association. He retired after 27 years of serving as the director of the Dear School in 2015, and during and prior to that period, he also served as Director of Bands for 30 years. During his tenure, the band program grew from 48 members to more than 300. With his leadership, the School of Creative and Performing Arts was endowed with more than \$2.5 million in private scholarship funds and \$4 million in grants. In addition, all academic programs in the School of CAPA were accredited by their national accrediting agencies, and the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System designated the School as an "Area of Excellence".

Prior to coming to Northwestern, Mr. Brent was the Director of Bands at McCallum High School in Austin, Texas, where the marching band was twice named in the top five in the University Interscholastic League "State Marching Contest" and the symphonic band was named in the top ten in the Texas Music Educators' Association "Honor Band" competition. Mr. Brent holds the Bachelor of Music Education and Master of Music degrees from the

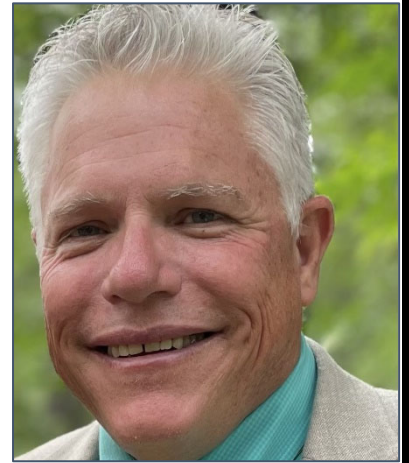
University of Texas, Austin. Among his professional organization memberships are the Louisiana Music Educators Association, Music Educators National Conference, Texas Music Educators Association, the Texas Bandmasters Association, the College Band Directors National Association and Phi Beta Mu. The National Council of Kappa Kappa Psi honored Mr. Brent with the A. Frank Martin Award in 1997 and in 2002, Mr. Brent received the highest honor bestowed by the University to members of the faculty when he was presented with the Northwestern "Distinguished Service Award". In 2007, Mr. Brent was inducted into the Louisiana Music Educators Association "Hall of Fame" and in 2011, he was inducted into the Louisiana Music "Hall of Fame". In 2012, he was elected to membership in the prestigious "American Bandmaster's Association".

PHIL LAROCQUE

Phil LaRocque grew up in El Paso, Texas, starting his musical journey on Trombone in the 6th grade. In 8th grade, he joined the full orchestra at school making the All-City Orchestra under Maestro Chavez as a freshman. Phil continued playing in band and orchestra through college, subbing at times in the Amarillo Symphony and performing in numerous ensembles. He even played for several headliners like Bob Hope, the Smothers Brothers, and The Barnum and Bailey Circus.

He became a band director in 1983 in Borger, Texas, under his mentor Roger Edwards. In 2000 he moved to the Dallas area teaching at The Colony High School and Irving High School. In 2006 Mr. LaRocque moved to teach Orchestra at Lakeview Middle School in The Colony, Texas, consistently earning sweepstakes at UIL competitions and won outstanding Orchestra at several Peak music festivals. He was the Region 1 band chair from 1999-2000, 4A All-State Band organizer in 2000, and co-organizer of the All-State Symphony orchestra in 2012. He is a member of the Phi Beta Mu Band Fraternity.

After 35 and a half years Phil retired from teaching in schools as a Band and Orchestra director. Currently, he is keeping a busy schedule running a recording business, judging contests, being a clinician, and teaching private lessons. He continues to perform with the Plano community band and the New Life Symphony Orchestra. In his spare time, Phil helps his wife in their jewelry business and plays with their 8 grandkids while trying to keep up with the sheep and horses on their small farm.



JEFF TURNER



Jeff Turner has been the Director of Fine Arts for the Allen Independent School District since April 2015. Prior to his appointment in Allen ISD, he served as the Instrumental Music Coordinator for the Plano Independent School District for eight years. He taught orchestra for 16 years before moving into administration serving as the director of orchestras at Plano Senior High School, Vines High School Orchestras, and Williams High School Orchestra. Mr. Turner earned a Bachelor of Music Education from New Mexico State University in 1991 and a Master of Secondary Education from the University of North Texas in 2002. Before moving to Texas, Mr. Turner taught orchestra in Las Cruces, New Mexico.

The Plano Senior High Orchestra was a consistent finalist in TMEA honor orchestra competition (string and full) every year under his direction. The Plano Senior High Symphony Orchestra was invited to perform at the Midwest Band and Orchestra Clinic in 2003 and was named the 2007 Texas Music Educators Association High School Honor Full Orchestra. Mr. Turner is Past President of the Texas Music Adjudicators Association. He has also served as the Executive Secretary for the Texas Music Administrators Conference, Texas Music Educators Association Orchestra Division Vice President, secretary for the Southwest District of the New Mexico Music Educators Association, President Elect for the NM chapter of ASTA, and elected Vice President for Orchestra for the NMMEA. Mr. Turner holds memberships in Texas Music Educators Association, Texas Music Adjudicators Association, Texas Fine Arts Administrators, Texas Orchestra Directors Association, Mu Omicron and is listed in Who's Who Among America's Teachers. He has also taught summer camps at Texas Tech, Baylor, New Mexico State, and Hummingbird (NM) as well as a chamber coach for The Institute for Strings at SMU.

Mr. Turner lives in Plano with his wife, who is also an educator, and their two boys. He is an active all-region clinician and adjudicator in Texas and NM and has conducted All-State orchestras in New Mexico and Kentucky. Mr. Turner is also the conductor/concertmaster of the orchestra at Hunters Glen Baptist Church in Plano and performs with various professional groups in the Dallas area. In his free time, Mr. Turner enjoys chasing/losing golf balls on the golf course and working on woodworking projects in his shop.

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ATHLETIC BANDS

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Monday, April 14, 2025

9:00 AM	Decatur High School Band	Jesse Wyatt Owens	
2A	Monument March	David W. Moore	N/A
28	Ave Maria	Schubert/Ticheli	3
	Wingwalker	Erik Morales	2
9:20 AM	Bigelow High School Band	Noah Mellick	
2A	Cheshire Forest March	Michael Oare	N/A
21	Black is the Color...	Robert Sheldon	2
	Japanese Pictures	Carl Mixon	2
9:40 AM	Des Arc High School Band	Kathryn Rose	
2A	Bryce Canyon Overture	Mark Williams	1
38	Vikings Victorious	Chris Sharp	1
	Dark Fortress	Rob Grice	1
10:00 AM	Dierks High School Band	Alex Clark	
2A	Morning Star March	Chris Ferguson	N/A
24	Free Spirit Overture	Jerry Williams	2
	Apollo Fanfare	Robert W Smith	1
10:20 AM	Sloan-Hendrix High School Band	Sheila DeShazo	
2A	Winner's Circle	Jim H. Johnson	N/A
36	Alpine Meadow	Steve Hodges	1
	Fortis	Gary Gazlay	1
10:40 AM	Tuckerman High School Concert Band	Robert Johnson	
2A	Andalucia	Victor Lopez	N/A
15	Trust	Douglas E. Wagner	1
	Aztec Dance	Michael Story	1
11:00 AM	Cotter High School Wind Ensemble	Douglas Messick	
2A	Union March	Mekel Rogers	N/A
18	Blazon!	David Shaffer	1
	Liturgical Fanfare	Robert Smith	1
11:20 AM	Mountain Pine High School Band	Andrew Steck	
2A	First Expedition	Chris Ferguson	N/A
40	Two Minute Symphony	Bob Margolis	1
	Pinnacle	Rob Grice	N/A

11:40 AM	<i>Gurdon High School Band</i>	<i>Ryan Burton</i>	
2A	<i>Oregon Trail</i>	<i>Michael Story</i>	1
17	<i>Northpointe Fantasy</i>	<i>James Swearingen</i>	1
	<i>American Dream</i>	<i>Ken Harris</i>	N/A
12:00 PM	<i>Foreman High School Band</i>	<i>Michael Burer</i>	
2A	<i>Gateway March</i>	<i>Eric Osterling</i>	N/A
19	<i>Riders on the Southern Front</i>	<i>Roland Barrett</i>	2
	<i>Black Forest Overture</i>	<i>Michael Sweeney</i>	2
12:20 PM	<i>Mountainburg Band of Dragons</i>	<i>Cassandra Vanzandt</i>	
2A	<i>March of the Dragons</i>	<i>Mike Collins-Dowden</i>	N/A
27	<i>Distant Horizons</i>	<i>Michael Sweeney</i>	1
	<i>Dark Star</i>	<i>Christina Huss</i>	1
12:40 PM	<i>East Poinsett County High School Band</i>	<i>Dalton Austin</i>	
2A	<i>Majestica</i>	<i>Brian Balmages</i>	1
18	<i>December Sky</i>	<i>Erik Morales</i>	1
	<i>Fighting Falcon March</i>	<i>Todd Stalter</i>	N/A
1:00 PM	<i>**Armory</i>	<i>Randall Standridge</i>	
2A CONCERT			
AND			
AWARDS	<i>** Honor Ensemble additional selections</i>		
1:45 PM	<i>Bentonville West Chamber Orchestra</i>	<i>Mary Kelly</i>	
7A	<i>Sinfonia for Strings</i>	<i>Eric Ewazen</i>	5
31	<i>Idyll for Strings</i>	<i>Leos Janacek</i>	5
	<i>Danse Negre from African Suite Op. 35, No. 4</i>	<i>Samuel Coleridge-Taylor/Monday</i>	5
2:20 PM	<i>Rogers High School Symphonic Winds</i>	<i>Brandon Hanlon</i>	
7A	<i>The White Rose</i>	<i>John Philip Sousa</i>	N/A
61	<i>Corsican Litany</i>	<i>Vaclav Nelhybel</i>	4
	<i>Vesuvius</i>	<i>Frank Ticheli</i>	4
2:55 PM	<i>Bentonville West Wind Ensemble</i>	<i>Albert Ortiz</i>	
7A	<i>Gum-Suckers March</i>	<i>Percy Grainger/Rogers</i>	N/A
56	<i>Seal Lullaby</i>	<i>Eric Whitacre</i>	4
	<i>Give Us This Day</i>	<i>David Maslanka</i>	5
3:30 PM	<i>Cabot High School Wind Symphony</i>	<i>Rusty Hart</i>	
7A	<i>Four Scottish Dances</i>	<i>Malcolm Arnold/Paynter</i>	5
50	<i>Magnolia Star</i>	<i>Steve Danyew</i>	5
	<i>March of the Belgian Paratroopers</i>	<i>Pierre Leemans/Wiley</i>	N/A

4:05 PM	Fayetteville High School Wind Ensemble	Brett Lawson	
7A	Semper Fidelis	John Philip Sousa	N/A
54	Danzon No. 2	Arturo Marquez/Nickell	5
	Nitro	Frank Ticheli	4

4:40 PM	LR Southwest High School Wind Ensemble	Jose Holloway	
7A	Governor's Own March	Alton Adams	N/A
41	Lacuna	Henry L. Dorn	4
	Riptides	Katahj Copley	4

5:15 PM Judges' Break

5:50 PM	Conway High School Wind Symphony	Nathan Cunningham	
7A	Florentiner (Grande Marcia Italiana)	Julius Fučík/Fennell	N/A
48	Elegy	John Barnes Chance	5
	La Fiesta Mexicana - I. Prelude and Aztec Dance/II. Mass/III. Carnival	H. Owen Reed	6

6:25 PM	Rogers Heritage Wind Ensemble	Christian Beck	
7A	American Barndance	Richard Saucedo	4
47	Abram's Pursuit	David R. Holsinger	4
	The Chimes of Liberty	Edwin Franko	N/A
		Goldman/Schissel	

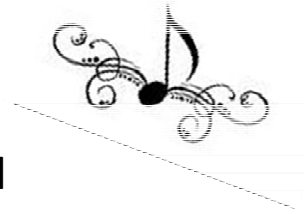
7:00 PM	Rogers High School Sinfonia Orchestra	Karol Rulli	
7A	Ruslan and Ludmilla	Mikhail Glinka/Sieving	5
33	Fantasy on Amazing Grace	Robert Kerr	4
	Perseus	Soon Hee Newbold	5

7:35 PM	Bryant Wind Symphony	Keith Matthews	
7A	American Big Top	Brian Balmages	N/A
53	An Original Suite	Gordon Jacob	4
	The Seeker: A Symphonic Movement for Wind Ensemble	David Maslanka	5

8:10 PM	Bentonville High School Wind Ensemble	Tim Hendrix	
7A	Procession of the Nobles	Nikolai Rimsky-Korsakov/Liedzen	4
51	Pines of Romes (All Movements)	Ottorino Respighi/Nefs	6
	Glory of the Yankee Navy	John Philip Sousa	N/A

8:45 PM
7A CONCERT
AND
AWARDS

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2A Honor Ensemble – 2025
East Poinsett County Senior High Band
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Upcoming ASBOA State Events

State Solo and Ensemble Assessment/Contest	Arkansas Tech University	May 5-6, 2025
State Marching Assessment/Contest	War Memorial Stadium	November 3-5, 2025
All-State Jazz Band Auditions	Conway	February 6, 2026
All-State Winds, Percussion, and String Auditions	University of Central Arkansas	February 7, 2026
Arkansas All-State Music Conference	Hot Springs Convention Center	February 18-21, 2026

Tuesday, April 15, 2025

9:00 AM	Centerpoint High School Band	Gideon Garcia	
3A	Spania	David Shaffer	N/A
68	Anthem of an Era	Tyler S. Grant	1
	Visigoths	Sean O'Loughlin	2
9:20 AM	Central Arkansas Christian Senior High Band	Emily Gaines	
3A	Rampage!	Todd Stalter	2
33	Hymnsong Variants	Robert W. Smith	2
	British Eighth	Zo Elliot/Hilliard	N/A
9:40 AM	ASMSA String Ensemble	Dr. Nathan Groot	
3A	Firestorm	Liam Ramsey-White	3
6	Joshua's Lullaby	John Mock	4
	Gates of Valhalla	Joshua Reznicow	3
10:00 AM	Judges' Break		
10:20 AM	Flippin High School Band	Bruce Shaver	
3A	Castlewood March	Ralph and Jack Hale	N/A
30	A Childhood Hymn	David Holsinger	1
	At the Crossroads	Robert W. Smith	2
10:40 AM	Lavaca High School Band	Logan Dooly	
3A	Fighting Falcon March	Todd Stalter	N/A
51	Lost Woods Fantasy	JaRod Hall	1
	Night Fury	Carol Brittan Chambers	1
11:00 AM	Fouke High School Band	Chris Gray	
3A	Bayview March	David Gorham	N/A
50	Modal Song and Dance	Elliot Del Borgo	1
	Nemesis	Gary Fagan	2
11:20 AM	Salem Senior Winds	Tyler Casey	
3A	March Op. 99	Sergei Prokofiev/Meredith	N/A
32	Simple Gifts: Four Shaker Songs (All)	Frank Ticheli	4
	Declaration Overture	Claude T. Smith	3
11:40 AM	Rison High School Band	John Kloap	
3A	Silver Star March	John O'Reilly	N/A
26	Channel Island Overture	Sandy Feldstein	1
	Cumberland Cove Overture	Timothy Johnson	1

12:00 PM	Judges' Break		
12:40 PM	Jessieville High School Band	Michael Baxter	
3A	Majestica	Brian Balmages	1
28	Aztec Dance	Michael Story	1
	Blackthorn March	Randall Standridge	N/A
1:00 PM	Quitman High School Band	Cindy Payton	
3A	Darklands March	Randall Standridge	N/A
37	Colliding Visions	Brian Balamages	2
	Awake the Iron	Scott Watson	1
1:20 PM	Perryville High School Band	Justin Berg	
3A	Gateway March	Eric Osterling	N/A
33	Dark Fortress	Rob Grice	1
	Bazaar	Randall Standridge	1
1:40 PM	Mountain View High School Band	Blake Henley	
3A	General Greene March	John Edmondson	N/A
43	Be Still, My Soul	Robert W. Smith	1
	Armory	Randall Standridge	1
2:00 PM	Judges' Break		
2:20 PM	Magnet Cove High School Band	Andy Beck	
3A	Command March	John Edmondson	N/A
26	Portrait of a Clown	Frank Ticheli	1
	Engines of Resistance	Larry Clark	1
2:40 PM	Parkers Chapel Wind Ensemble	Cyrus Tucker	
3A	Arabian Dances	Brian Balmages	3
40	Normandy Beach Concert March	John Edmondson	N/A
	Blue Ridge Saga	James Swearingen	3
3:00 PM	ASMSA Wind Ensemble	Dr. Thomas Dempster and Cody A. Ford	
3A		Brian Balmages	N/A
42	Marche Diabolique	Samuel Hazo	3
	Mountain Thyme	William Grant Still	4
	From the Delta	Thomas Dempster	
3:20 PM	** Asterism	Chen Yi	
3A CONCERT	** Spring Festival		
AND			
AWARDS	** Honor Ensemble additional selections		

3:40 PM	<i>The Jonesboro Symphonic Winds</i>	<i>Grant Harbison</i>	
6A	<i>Festive Overture</i>	<i>Dmitri</i>	5
51		<i>Shostakovich/Hunsberger</i>	
	<i>William Byrd Suite</i>	<i>Gordon Jacob</i>	6
	<i>March No. 6 "Here's to Good Ol' Yale"</i>	<i>Charles Ives/Elkus</i>	N/A
4:10 PM	<i>El Dorado High School Band</i>	<i>Robert Kloap</i>	
6A	<i>Declaration Overture</i>	<i>Claude T. Smith</i>	3
73	<i>Prelude, Siciliano and Rondo</i>	<i>Malcolm Arnold</i>	4
	<i>Silvercrest March</i>	<i>James Swearingen</i>	N/A
4:40 PM	<i>Marion High School Wind Symphony</i>	<i>Monty Hill</i>	
6A	<i>The Wild One!</i>	<i>Brian Balmages</i>	N/A
40	<i>Fuzion</i>	<i>Carol Brittin Chambers</i>	4
	<i>Sailing With Whales</i>	<i>Rossano Gallante</i>	5
5:10 PM	<i>Russellville High School Symphonic Band</i>	<i>David Gaston</i>	
6A	<i>The Purple Carnival March</i>	<i>Harry L. Alford</i>	N/A
61	<i>Symphony no. 1 'The Lord of the Rings'</i>	<i>Johan de Meij</i>	6
	<i>I. Gandalf II. Lothlorien</i>		
	<i>Molly on the Shore</i>	<i>Percy Aldridge Grainger</i>	5
5:40 PM	<i>Judges' Break</i>		
6:30 PM	<i>Sheridan High School Band</i>	<i>Gregg Scott</i>	
6A	<i>Moorside March</i>	<i>Gustav Holst/Curnow</i>	N/A
65	<i>Gently Blows the Summer Wind</i>	<i>Randall Standridge</i>	3
	<i>In Living Color</i>	<i>Katahj Copley</i>	4
7:00 PM	<i>Greenwood Wind Ensemble</i>	<i>Devin West</i>	
6A	<i>The Liberty Bell</i>	<i>John Philip Sousa</i>	N/A
42	<i>Song and Dance</i>	<i>Richard Saucedo</i>	4
	<i>Red Rock Mountain</i>	<i>Rossano Galante</i>	5
7:30 PM	<i>Lake Hamilton Wind Symphony</i>	<i>Jon Shultz</i>	
6A	<i>Nobles of the Mystic Shrine</i>	<i>John Philip Sousa</i>	N/A
57	<i>Chorale and Shaker Dance</i>	<i>John P. Zdechlik</i>	4
	<i>Festivo</i>	<i>Edward Gregson</i>	5
8:00 PM	<i>Sylvan Hills High School Band</i>	<i>Mark Bailey</i>	
6A	<i>Trouping Days</i>	<i>Karl L. King/Milford</i>	N/A
66	<i>The Seal Lullaby</i>	<i>Eric Whitacre</i>	4
	<i>Arabian Dances</i>	<i>Brian Balmages</i>	3

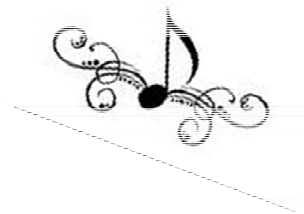
8:30 PM	Mountain Home High School Band	Tom Chentnik	
6A	<i>E Pluribus Unum</i>	Fred Jewell/Glover	N/A
87	<i>Pacem - A Hymn for Peace</i>	Robert Spittal	4
	<i>Rapture</i>	Brian Balmages	4
9:00 PM	** <i>Variations on Scarborough Fair</i>	Calvin Custer	
6A CONCERT	** <i>Havana Nights</i>	Randall Standridge	
AND			
AWARDS	** <i>Honor Ensemble additional selections</i>		

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3A Honor Ensemble – 2025
 ASMSA Wind Ensemble
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6A Honor Ensemble – 2025
 Mountain Home High School Band
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Wednesday, April 16, 2025

10:25 AM	Trumann High School Band	Jennifer Williams	
4A	Night Fury	Carol Brittin Chambers	1
32	As Twilight Falls	Robert Sheldon	2
	Darklands March	Randall Standridge	N/A
10:50 AM	Ozark High School Wind Ensemble	James Maestri	
4A	Marche Diabolique	Brian Balmages	N/A
35	Where Words End...	Randall Standridge	2
	Flight of the Thunderbird	Richard Saucedo	2
11:15 AM	Riverview High School Band	Aaron Decker	
4A	Antares	Richard Saucedo	2
39	Midway March	John Williams/Moss	N/A
	Travelin' Music	Robert Sheldon	3
11:40 AM	Dardanelle Wind Ensemble	Jessica Perry	
4A	El Manto Dorado	Jorge Vargas	N/A
39	Loch Lomond	JaRod Hall	2
	Choose Joy	Randall Standridge	3
12:05 PM	Nashville High School Wind Ensemble	Jacob Happy	
4A	Halcyon Hearts	Katahj Copley	3
40	Night Dances	Bruce Yurko	3
	Hosts of Freedom	Karl L. King	N/A
12:30 PM	Judges' Break		
1:20 PM	Berryville High School Band	Doug Blevins and Tonya Blevins	
4A	Aces of the Air	Karl L. King/Swearingen	N/A
57	Travelin Music	Pierre LaPlante	2
	Blu Sky Horizon	Randall Standridge	2
1:45 PM	Malvern High School Concert Band	Jón Stevenson	
4A	Slava March	Randall Standridge	N/A
44	Japanese Pictures	Kevin Mixon	2
	High Intensity	Chandler L. Wilson	2
2:10 PM	Heber Springs High School Band	Anthony Harmon	
4A	Darklands March	Randall Standridge	N/A
68	Ascend	Samuel Hazo	2
	Colliding Visions	Brian Balmages	2

2:35 PM	Mills University Studies Symphonic Band	Ray Cross	
4A	Moscow 1941	Brian Balmages	2
59	Variants	Jack Bullock	3
	Darklands March	Randall Standridge	N/A
3:00 PM	Gosnell High School Band	McKenzie Bryeans	
4A	March of the Hobgoblins	Randall Standridge	N/A
12	Dark Star	Christina Huss	1
	Down on the Delta (A Mississippi Tribute)	Carol Brittin Chambers	2
3:25 PM	Stuttgart High School Concert Band	Kevin Sherman	
4A	March of Freedom	Karl L. King	N/A
73	Undertow	John Mackey	4
	Sparks	Brian Balmages	2
3:50 PM	Green Forest High School Band	Colbey Lawyer	
4A	Lyric Essay	Tom O'Leary	2
45	Mar Y Cielo	Jorge Vargas	N/A
	Pandora	Randall Standridge	1
4:15 PM	Arkadelphia Wind Ensemble	Larry Brown	
4A	The Liberty Bell March	John Philip Sousa	N/A
56	Simple Gifts: Four Shaker Songs (All)	Frank Ticheli	4
	Havana Nights	Randall Standridge	4
4:40 PM	Gentry High School Band	Ruby Contreras	
4A	Sparks	Brian Balmages	2
42	March Zuma	John O'Reilly	N/A
	Evergreen Escapades	Adrian B. Sims	2
5:05 PM	Highland High School Band	Greg Bruner	
4A	The Big Cage	Karl L. King/Glover	N/A
55	The Seal Lullaby	Eric Whitacre	4
	Rapture	Brian Balmages	4
5:30 PM	** Me (reAffirmation)	Randall Standridge	
4A CONCERT	** Teeth of the Mechanism	John Mackey	
AND			
AWARDS	** Honor Ensemble additional selections		

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8:30 AM	<i>Fayetteville High School Symphonic Band II</i>	<i>Jason Marshall</i>	
DDD-7A	<i>Celtic Ritual</i>	<i>John Higgins</i>	3
58	<i>Fanfare for the Third Planet</i>	<i>Richard Saucedo</i>	2
	<i>The Beau Ideal</i>	<i>John Philip Sousa/Gore</i>	N/A
8:55 AM	<i>Bentonville High School Symphonic Band</i>	<i>Tim Hendrix</i>	
DDD-7A	<i>Country Gardens</i>	<i>Percy Grainger/Sousa/Schissel</i>	3
88	<i>Of Sailors and Whales</i>	<i>Francis McBeth</i>	5
	<i>Go Galop</i>	<i>Henry Fillmore</i>	N/A
9:20 AM	<i>Lakeside High School Concert Band</i>	<i>Neal Moss</i>	
DD-5A	<i>Raging Thunder</i>	<i>David Shaffer</i>	N/A
69	<i>Golliwogg's Cakewalk</i>	<i>Claude Debussy/Lewis</i>	2
	<i>Shattered</i>	<i>Chris M. Bernotas</i>	2
9:45 AM	<i>Searcy High School Symphonic Band</i>	<i>Jeremiah Dodson</i>	
DD-5A	<i>Byzantine Dances</i>	<i>Carol Brittin Chambers</i>	2
58	<i>Fragile</i>	<i>Randall Standridge</i>	2
	<i>March from Symphony No. 2</i>	<i>Pyotr Il'yich Tchaikovsky/Longfield</i>	N/A
10:10 AM	<i>Judges' Break</i>		
10:35 AM	<i>Marion High School Symphonic Band</i>	<i>Kristen Shepherd</i>	
DD-6A	<i>March Diabolique</i>	<i>Brian Balmages</i>	N/A
51	<i>Swarm</i>	<i>Brian Beck</i>	3
	<i>Proxima B</i>	<i>Steven Pyter</i>	3
11:00 AM	<i>The Jonesboro Concert Winds</i>	<i>Trent Warner</i>	
DD-6A	<i>Appalachian Journey</i>	<i>Brant Karrick</i>	3
59	<i>Old Home Days: Mvt. 1 - Waltz, Mvt. 3 - The Collection, Mvt. 4 - Slow March, Mvt. 5 - London Bridge is Fallen Down!</i>	<i>Charles Ives/Elkus</i>	4
	<i>Gallant Marines</i>	<i>Karl L. King/Swearingen</i>	N/A
11:25 AM	<i>Judges' Break</i>		
11:50 AM	<i>Conway High School Symphonic Band</i>	<i>Nikki Cook</i>	
DD-7A	<i>His Honor</i>	<i>Henry Fillmore/Fennell</i>	N/A
64	<i>Nimrod from Enigma Variations</i>	<i>Edward Elgar/Reed</i>	3
	<i>Illumination</i>	<i>David Maslanka</i>	4

12:15 PM	<i>Cabot High School Symphonic Band</i>	<i>Kara Reynolds</i>	
DD-7A	<i>Undertow</i>	<i>John Mackey</i>	4
62	<i>Havana Nights</i>	<i>Randall Standridge</i>	4
	<i>National Game</i>	<i>John Philip Sousa</i>	N/A
12:40 PM	<i>Bentonville West Symphonic Winds</i>	<i>Katelyn Barry</i>	
DD-7A	<i>Go Galop!</i>	<i>Henry Fillmore/Contorno</i>	N/A
55	<i>Unknown</i>	<i>Brian Balmages</i>	3
	<i>Midnight Ride</i>	<i>Rossano Galante</i>	4
1:05 PM	<i>Rogers High School Concert Winds</i>	<i>George Vera</i>	
DD-7A	<i>A Time to Dance</i>	<i>Julie Giroux</i>	2
110	<i>Orion (slow march)</i>	<i>Jan Van Der Roost</i>	N/A
	<i>Dragonstone</i>	<i>Gavin Lendt</i>	2
1:30 PM	<i>Bentonville West Symphonic Orchestra</i>	<i>Mary Kelly</i>	
DD-7A	<i>Hopak (from The Fair at Sorochinsk)</i>	<i>Modest Moussorgsky/Isaac</i>	3
38	<i>Lullaby</i>	<i>William Hofeldt</i>	3
	<i>Serenade for Strings II. Fugue IV. Cakewalk</i>	<i>Norman Leyden</i>	3
1:55 PM	<i>Fayetteville High School Symphonic Band I</i>	<i>Michael Post</i>	
DD-7A	<i>Fearless</i>	<i>Carol Brittin Chambers</i>	3
48	<i>Red Rock Mountain</i>	<i>Rossano Galante</i>	5
	<i>Washington Post</i>	<i>John Philip Sousa/Bocook</i>	N/A
2:20 PM	<i>Bentonville High School Symphonic Winds</i>	<i>Philip Shewmaker</i>	
DD-7A	<i>Fanfare Forza</i>	<i>Brian Balmages</i>	4
67	<i>Chorale and Shaker Dance</i>	<i>John Zdechlick</i>	4
	<i>The Klaxon</i>	<i>Henry Filmore</i>	N/A
2:45 PM	<i>**Strange Humors</i>	<i>John Mackey</i>	
DDD/DD	<i>** Inchon</i>	<i>Robert W. Smith</i>	
CONCERT			
AND			
AWARDS	<i>** Honor Ensemble additional selections</i>		
3:10 PM	<i>Searcy High School Wind Ensemble</i>	<i>Christopher A. Johns, II</i>	
5A	<i>Prairie Dances</i>	<i>David Holsinger</i>	3
46	<i>Nessun Dorma</i>	<i>Giacomo Puccini/Vinson</i>	2
	<i>Under the Double Eagle March</i>	<i>Josef Wagner/Glover</i>	N/A
3:35 PM	<i>Batesville High School Symphonic Band</i>	<i>Amanda Lucy</i>	
5A	<i>Gallant 7th</i>	<i>John Philip Sousa/Bourgeois</i>	N/A
70	<i>Cumberland Cross</i>	<i>Carl Strommen</i>	2
	<i>Spirals of Light</i>	<i>Sean O'Loughlin</i>	3

4:00 PM	<i>Robinson High School Concert Band</i>	<i>Ben Light</i>	
5A	<i>Darklands March</i>	<i>Randall Standridge</i>	<i>N/A</i>
62	<i>Volatus</i>	<i>Brian Beck</i>	<i>3</i>
	<i>Halcyon Hearts</i>	<i>Katahj Copley</i>	<i>3</i>
4:25 PM	<i>Hope Symphonic Band</i>	<i>Christian Davis</i>	
5A	<i>Choose Joy</i>	<i>Randall Standridge</i>	<i>3</i>
40	<i>American Riversongs</i>	<i>Pierre La Plante</i>	<i>3</i>
	<i>March of the Belgian Paratroopers</i>	<i>Pierre Leemans/Swearingen</i>	<i>N/A</i>
4:50 PM	<i>Brookland Symphonic Winds</i>	<i>Terry Hogard</i>	
5A	<i>Midway March</i>	<i>John Williams/John Moss</i>	<i>N/A</i>
55	<i>Shimmering Sunshine</i>	<i>Kevin Day</i>	<i>4</i>
	<i>Hounds of Spring</i>	<i>Alfred Reed</i>	<i>5</i>
5:15 PM	<i>De Queen Symphonic Band</i>	<i>Daniel J. Dunn</i>	
5A	<i>Alamo March</i>	<i>Karl L. King/Swearingen</i>	<i>N/A</i>
34	<i>...Music Speaks</i>	<i>Randal Standridge</i>	<i>3</i>
	<i>Trek!</i>	<i>Herbert Bassett</i>	<i>3</i>
5:40 PM	<i>Judges' Break</i>		
6:05 PM	<i>Nettleton High School Band</i>	<i>Peggy Jeffries</i>	
5A	<i>Emblem of Unity</i>	<i>J.J. Richards/Swearingen</i>	<i>N/A</i>
52	<i>I Know Moonrise</i>	<i>Jess Langston Turner</i>	<i>4</i>
	<i>Simple Gifts</i>	<i>Frank Ticheli</i>	<i>4</i>
6:30 PM	<i>Lakeside Symphonic Band</i>	<i>Scott Villines</i>	
5A	<i>Invercargill March</i>	<i>Alex Lithgow</i>	<i>N/A</i>
50	<i>Unquiet Hours</i>	<i>David Biedenbender</i>	<i>4</i>
	<i>Fuzion</i>	<i>Carol Brittin Chambers</i>	<i>4</i>
6:55 PM	<i>Greene County Tech Symphonic Band</i>	<i>Kim Webb</i>	
5A	<i>The Walking Frog</i>	<i>Karl L. King</i>	<i>N/A</i>
65	<i>On A Hymnsong of Philip Bliss</i>	<i>David Holsinger</i>	<i>3</i>
	<i>The Rusty Bucket</i>	<i>Carol Brittin Chambers</i>	<i>4</i>
7:20 PM	<i>Valley View High School Band</i>	<i>Brandan Bakkala</i>	
5A	<i>Circus Days</i>	<i>Karl L. King/Schissel</i>	<i>N/A</i>
72	<i>Kindred Spirits</i>	<i>Brian Balmages</i>	<i>3</i>
	<i>Strange Humors</i>	<i>John Mackey</i>	<i>4</i>

7:45 PM	Paragould Symphonic Band	Ethan Andrews, Carlos Serna, Zachary McCullough, Trinity Peeler, and Richie Williams	
5A			
40			
	<i>Them Basses</i>	Getty Huffine/Ragsdale	N/A
	<i>Shenandoah</i>	Frank Ticheli	3
	<i>The Gathering of the Ranks at Hebron</i>	David R. Holsinger	4
8:10 PM	Pea Ridge Blackhawk Band	Heather Thompson	
5A	<i>Above the Line</i>	Bryce Newton	N/A
89	<i>Amazonia</i>	Chad Taylor	2
	<i>Celtic Ritual</i>	John Higgins	3
8:35 PM	Clarksville High School Wind Ensemble	Danielle Hodges	
5A	<i>National Emblem March</i>	E. E. Bagley/Conaway	N/A
53	<i>Heaven's Light</i>	Steve Reineke	2
	<i>Nevermore</i>	Brian Balmages	3
9:00 PM	Arkansas High Razorback Wind Ensemble	Vincent Flieder	
5A	<i>Xerxes</i>	John Mackey	N/A
46	<i>Elegy For A Young American</i>	Ronald LoPresti	4
	<i>Halcyon Hearts</i>	Katahj Copley	3
9:25:00 PM	** <i>(not) Alone</i>	Randall Standridge	
5A CONCERT	** <i>American Barndance</i>	Richard Saucedo	
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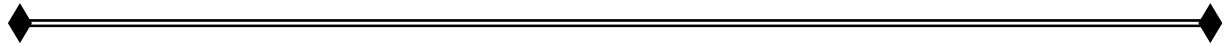
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In 2014, the Jasper High School Full Orchestra, co-directed by Mr. Digby, became the first and only non-varsity ensemble to be named the TMEA 6A Honor Full Orchestra. In 2023, the Plano West Symphony Orchestra earned the distinction of TMEA 6A Honor Full Orchestra.

Mr. Digby is a lifetime member of the Texas PTA and was honored as the 2016 Jasper High School Teacher of the Year. He earned his Bachelor of Music Education degree from Henderson State University in Arkadelphia, Arkansas, and is a multi-year honoree of *Who's Who Among America's Teachers*. His professional affiliations include the Texas Music Educators Association, Texas Bandmasters Association, and Phi Beta Mu International School Bandmasters Fraternity. Mr. Digby resides in Frisco with his wife, Maleece, and their son, Jaxon.



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As a conductor, she has led the Wind Ensemble in performances for international concert audiences, including a 2008 tour of the British Isles; a 2011 tour in Austria and Germany; an Italian tour in 2014 which included a performance at the International Music Meeting in Padova, Italy; and a 2019 tour of Austria and the Czech Republic. The Wind Ensemble is preparing for a performance tour of Spain in May of 2025. Ms. Lance maintains an active schedule as a clinician and adjudicator for both concert and marching band events throughout the country. Additionally, she is a frequent contributor to the Teaching Music Through Performance in Band series. In 2011, she received the "State Pride" award from the College of Education for excellence in teaching, research, and service and the Edythe M. McArthur Outstanding Woman Band Director Award for the state of Mississippi. She was named

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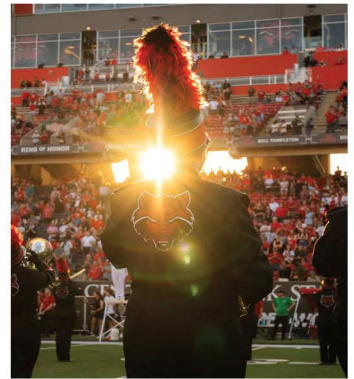
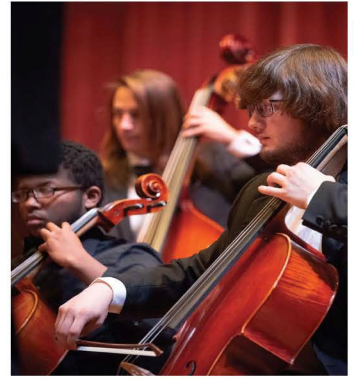
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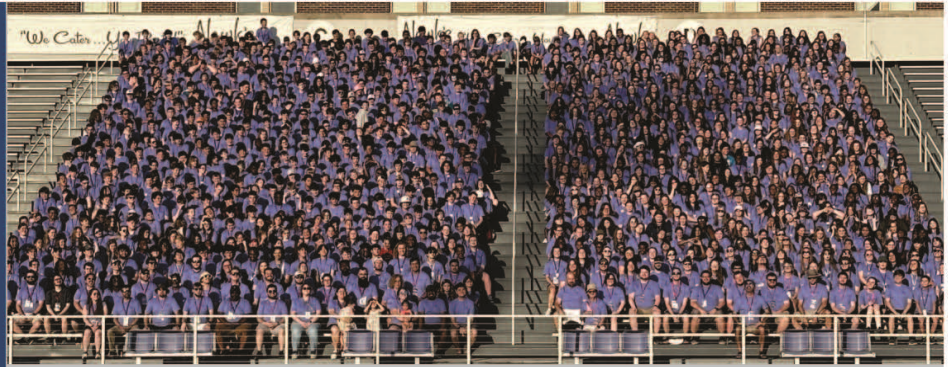
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