2024 ILLINOIS SUPERSTATE CONCERT BAND FESTIVAL


WELCOME TO THE 2024 SUPERSTATE CONCERT BAND FESTIVAL!

Welcome to the SuperState Concert Band Festival, hosted by the University of Illinois Bands in the world-renowned Krannert Center for the Performing Arts. We look forward to hearing two days of incredible performances presented by some of the very finest middle and high school bands in Illinois. This incredible event brings thousands of students, teachers, parents, and other supporters to our campus, and we are very glad you’re here!

UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS BANDS

Although the history of the University of Illinois Bands can be traced to 1868 with the founding of a military band, it was the appointment of Albert Austin Harding in 1905 that formally launched the first and foremost college band program in the world. In the 1920s, John Philip Sousa referred to the Illinois Band as the “World’s Greatest College Band.”

Throughout history, the innovations made at Illinois literally transformed bands around the world. Directors Mark Hindsley, Harry Begian, James F. Keene, and Stephen Peterson continued the Illinois tradition of leadership, commissioning new works, presenting inventive performances, and mentoring many of the nation’s top college and high school band directors through the conducting program at Illinois.

Today, the University of Illinois Bands are proud to be among the most influential and historic college band programs in the United States, offering all students the highest quality ensemble experiences. These ensembles include five concert bands, the 375-member Marching Illini, Basketball Bands, Volleyball Bands, and Summer Band. Nearly 700 students participate each semester in these outstanding ensembles, all of which are open to any University student, regardless of major. Visit bands.illinois.edu for more information.

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Michelle Bell, graduate assistant
Nathan Maher, graduate assistant
Andrew McGowan, graduate assistant

Alex Mondragon, graduate assistant
Lorraine Montana, graduate assistant
Rebecca Mulligan, graduate assistant
Luke Yoakam, graduate assistant
SUPERSTATE HONOR BANDS

2023 Honor Bands—Performing at the 2024 Festival
MS/JH: Field Middle School, Northbrook; Director: Mike Miller
1A: Morton High School, Morton; Director: Katrina Fitzpatrick and Craig Hatter
2A: John Hersey High School, Arlington Heights; Director: Spencer Hile
3A: Oswego High School, Oswego; Director: Stephanie San Roman and Kevin Schoenbach

2022
- Wood Oaks Junior High School
- Marian Catholic High School (A)
- Vernon Hills High School (AA)
- O’Fallon Twp. High School (AAA)

2019
- McCracken Middle School
- Monticello High School (A)
- Tinley Park High School (AA)
- John Hersey High School (AAA)
- Evanston High School (AAAA)

2018
- Field Middle School
- O’Fallon Twp. High School Freshman (A)
- Marian Catholic High School (AA)
- Libertyville High School (AAA)
- Waubonsie Valley High School (AAAA)

2017
- McCracken Middle School
- Illiana Christian High School (A)
- Champaign Central High School (AA)
- John Hersey High School (AAA)
- Warren Twp. High School (AAAA)

2016
- Wood Oaks Junior High School
- Lockport Twp. High School Freshman (A)
- Marian Catholic High School (AA)
- Wheeling High School (AAA)
- Lockport Twp. High School (AAAA)

2015
- McCracken Middle School
- Monticello High School (A)
- Tinley Park High School (AA)
- United Twp. High School (AAA)
- Naperville North High School (AAAA)

2014
- Central Middle School
- Illiana Christian High School (A)
- Normal West High School (AA)
- Yorkville High School (AAA)
- Lockport Twp. High School (AAAA)

2013
- McCracken Middle School
- Marian Catholic High School (A)
- Vernon Hills High School (AA)
- Libertyville High School (AAA)

2012
- MacArthur Middle School
- Illiana Christian High School (A)
- Yorkville High School (AA)
- John Hersey High School (AAA)

2011
- McCracken Middle School
- Macomb Senior High School (A)
- Vernon Hills High School (AA)
- Libertyville High School (AAA)

2010
- Troy Middle School
- Illiana Christian High School (A)
- Marian Catholic High School (AA)
- Warren Township High School (AAA)

2009
- Clarendon Hills Middle School
- Macomb Senior High School (A)
- Vernon Hills High School (AA)
- Libertyville High School (AAA)

Year listed is the year the ensembles were selected. A more in-depth Illinois SuperState Honor Band History can be found at https://www.bands.illinois.edu/superstate-honor-band-history
# PERFORMANCE SCHEDULE

**FRIDAY, MAY 3, 2024**

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PROGRAM—FRIDAY, MAY 3

MIDDLE SCHOOL/JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL

TROY MIDDLE SCHOOL, Joliet–Shorewood

Douglas Akey
Frank Ticheli
Julie Giroux
JaRod Hall

A Tallis Prelude
Portrait of a Clown
The Bonsai Tree
The Country Club Stomp!

William Goetz, Jennifer Carlton

TRAUGHER JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL, Oswego

Douglas Akey
Christina Huss & Alan Carter
Randall Standridge

A Susato Prelude
Scarborough Fantasy
Argentum

Rachel Maxwell, Devin Cano

GLENN WESTLAKE MIDDLE SCHOOL, Lombard

Richard Saucedo
Brian Balmages
Katahj Copley

Flash in the Pan!
Rippling Watercolors
Halcyon Hearts

Nicholas Martin

O’FALLON DISTRICT 90, O’Fallon

Tyler S. Grant
Chen Yi
Alfred Reed
arr. Robert Longfield
Karl L. King
arr. James Swearingen

Shimmering Joy
Spring Festival
El Camino Real
Coast Guards March

Kate DeMonica

WOOD OAKS JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL, Northbrook

Frank Ticheli
Brian Balmages
Ryan George

Joy Revisited
Rippling Watercolors
Cafe 512

Wayne Gordon

MCCRACKEN MIDDLE SCHOOL, Skokie

Henry Fillmore
Douglas Akey
Christopher Nelson
Carol Brittin Chambers

The Footlifter
Wild Dance
Wayfaring Stranger
Alegría

Chip De Stefano
PROGRAM—Friday, May 3

MIDDLE SCHOOL/JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL, continued

WILMETTE JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL, Wilmette

Jim Curnow
Pierre La Plante
Michael Daugherty

Journey to Centaurus
American Riversongs
Alligator Alley

FIELD MIDDLE SCHOOL—HONOR BAND, Northbrook

Brian Balmages
Randall Standridge
Frank Ticheli
JaRod Hall

Marche Diabolique
Fields of Clover
Abracadabra
The Country Club Stomp!
PROGRAM—FRIDAY, MAY 3

HIGH SCHOOL—CLASS 1A

CHAMPAIGN CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL, Champaign

Percy Aldridge Grainger
Dana Wilson

Irish Tune from County Derry
Piece of Mind
III. Feeling
IV. Being

VERNON HILLS HIGH SCHOOL, Vernon Hills

John Barnes Chance
John Mackey

Incantation and Dance
Aurora Awakes

VERNON HILLS HIGH SCHOOL, Urbana

Darren Hicks, Christi Fernsberg

Timothy Mahr
John Mackey

Fantasia In G
Strange Humors

URBANA HIGH SCHOOL, Urbana

TRIAD HIGH SCHOOL, Troy

Kevin Devany

Haydn Wood
Masanori Taruya

Mannin Veen
The Last Letter from Murdoch

HIGHLAND HIGH SCHOOL, Highland

John Case

David Maslanka

Give Us This Day

LEMONT HIGH SCHOOL, Lemont

Matthew Doherty

Julie Giroux
David Gillingham

Riften Wed
With Heart and Voice

MARIAN CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL, Chicago Heights

Steven Pyter

Jack Stamp
David Maslanka

Gavorkna Fanfare
Give Us This Day (Short Symphony for Wind Ensemble)
Program—Friday, May 3

HIGH SCHOOL—CLASS 1A, continued

TINLEY PARK HIGH SCHOOL, Tinley Park

Jack Stamp  Gavorkna Fanfare
Jose Alberto Pina  Pompeii

MORTON HIGH SCHOOL—HONOR BAND, Morton

Craig Hatter, Katrina Fitzpatrick, John Gonzalez

Brian Spicklemere  Arrival and Echos
Larry Daehn  With Quiet Courage
Craig Fitpatrick  Blueprints
Comprised of approximately fifty-five undergraduate and graduate students who have attained an exceptional level of proficiency on their instruments, the Wind Orchestra is the second artistic concert band in the University of Illinois Bands program. Similar to the Illinois Wind Symphony, the Wind Orchestra performs large and chamber wind repertoire, new and contemporary music, and has a specific curricular design focused on a variety of musical styles throughout the year. The Wind Orchestra rehearses four hours per week, and presents two concerts per semester. The performance range of this ensemble includes campus, local area, and statewide events. The Wind Orchestra is open to music majors and non-majors by audition in the fall and spring semesters.

### Spring 2024 Personnel

**flute**
- Stephanie Lee
- Mariano Morales
- Yanni Ovalle
- Ellie Pierzina, *piccolo*

**saxophone**
- Haley Hamilton, *tenor*
- Shelby Kook, *alto*
- Stefan Loest, *tenor*
- Annika Marchi, *bass*
- Emily McGovern, *bari*
- Naomi Niekerk, *alto*

**oboe**
- Beth Eterno
- Emma Knox
- Jojo Ostick, *English horn*

**bassoon**
- Amaan Khan
- Kayleigh White

**clarinet**
- Josh Agrest
- Lily Blodgett, *e-flat*
- Caleb Chiang
- Ben Lopez
- Leila Moon
- Analise Mulvihill, *bass*
- Madelyn Schafer
- Thomas Smith
- Nathan Zhu

**trombone**
- Jackson Cole
- George Huber
- Sam Murray, *bass*
- Derrick Neal
- Pablo Rosales

**trumpet**
- Simon Heck
- Genna Mack
- Kendall McFarlin
- Anna Poel
- Jacob Ramirez
- Sean Spenner
- Colin Stanhope

**tuba**
- Bobby Borgstede
- Wilson Shrount
- Isaac Vahling

**horn**
- Joseph Goldstein
- Lizzy Mazzolini
- Rebecca Mills
- Maeve O’Hara

**euphonium**
- Willow Neeriener
- Leo Schopick

**piano**
- Dylan Covert

**string bass**
- Adam Quiballo

**percussion**
- Maxine Mikkelson
- Uchyu Steven Ono
- Logan Sardina
- Landon Smith
- Jon Steeber
# Performance Schedule

**Saturday, May 4, 2024**

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HIGH SCHOOL—CLASS 2A, CONTINUED

LIBERTYVILLE HIGH SCHOOL, Libertyville

William P. Foster
James M. David
Marche Brillante
Ghosts of the Old Year
I. Calm, determined
II. Ferocious, intense

JOHN HERSEY HIGH SCHOOL—HONOR BAND, Arlington Heights

Andrew Perkins
David Maslanka
Clutch
Symphony No. 8
III. Moderato
HIGH SCHOOL—CLASS 3A

ZION–BENTON TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL, Zion

Giuseppe Verdi
*Nabucco Overture*
trans. Lucien Cailliet
John Mackey
*Aurora Awakes*

EVANSTON TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL, Evanston

Clifton Williams
*Fanfare and Allegro*
Joaquin Rodrigo
*Adagio para Orquestsa de Instrumentos de Viento*
Malcolm Arnold
*The Padstow Lifeboat*

WILLIAM FREMD HIGH SCHOOL, Palatine

Frank Ticheli
*Vesuvius*
Travis Cross
*Be Thou My Vision*
Julie Giroux
*Opa!*

LOCKPORT TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL, Lockport

John Mackey
*Sacred Spaces*
Edward Elgar
*Enigma Variations*
arr. Earl Slocum

WAUBONSIE VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL, Aurora

Adam Gorb
*Awayday*
David Gillingham
*Concertino for Four Percussion & Wind Ensemble*
HIGH SCHOOL — CLASS 3A, CONTINUED

DOWNERS GROVE SOUTH HIGH SCHOOL, Downers Grove  Aaron Kennedy

Katahj Copley  
Joaquín Turina  
Kaleidoscope Eyes  
La Procesion du Rocío  
trans. Alfred Reed

LYONS TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL, LaGrange  Mark Dahl, Paul Meiste

Kevin Day  
Vasily Kalinnikov,  
Havana  
Finale from Symphony No. 1  
arr. Glenn Cliffe Bainum  
edited by Christopher Heidenreich

O’FALLON TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL, O’Fallon  Melissa Gustafson-Hinds

John Philip Sousa  
Florence Price  
The Fairest of the Fair March  
Adoration  
arr. Cheldon Williams  
James David  
Flying Jewels

OSWEGO HIGH SCHOOL - HONOR BAND, Oswego  Stephanie San Roman, Kevin Schoenbach

Russell Alexander  
arr. Glenn Cliff Bainum  
The Southerner  
Niagara Falls  
Michael Daugherty
The Illinois Wind Symphony is the premiere concert ensemble of the Illinois Bands program. Members of the Wind Symphony perform a wide range of repertoire through experiences in both large and small ensembles. The international reputation of the Wind Symphony has long defined performance excellence. The ensemble has given acclaimed performances at national conventions of the College Band Directors National Association and American Bandmasters Association, and in prestigious concert venues including Carnegie Hall in New York and Orchestra Hall in Chicago. Graduates of the Wind Symphony are members of leading orchestras and premiere US military bands, and distinguished teachers at every level of music education.

Spring 2024 Personnel

**flute**
- Madison Booth*
- Julia Escobar, *piccolo*
- Abby Grace, *piccolo*
- Natalia Kozintseva
- Yanni Ovalle
- Yuyuan Yang

**oboe**
- Wesley Boehm,
- *English horn*
- Kaitlyn Dunn*
- Korrigan Korthauer
- Natalie Myers

**bassoon**
- Ethan Ault
- Michael Deresz*
- Alexis Esher
- LiYang Wan

**clarinet**
- Axel Aguilera*
- Christina Dodd
- Cameron Hejny
- Matt Kelley, *E-flat*
- Rosemary Mascarenhas
- Rebecca Mulligan, *bass*
- Leah O’Dekirk
- Lia Pappas
- Peter Varga
- Justina Wojahn

**saxophone**
- Maggie Camp, *tenor*
- Jonathan Dufresne,*
- Andrew Gaffey, *baritone*
- Jack Govern, *alto/bass*
- Nate Maher, *alto/tenor*
- Nathanael Boston
- Jet Conway
- Ela Eames
- Julia Stowell

**trumpet**
- Noah Weisbard
- Luke Yoakam*
- Daphne Anderson
- Joseph Goldstein*
- Leah O’Dekirk
- Jessica Mingee
- Keith Korthauer
- Owen Robinson
- Luke Suarez
- Ethan Groharing
- Poorna Kumar
- Jerry Min, *bass*
- Lorraine Montana*
- Andrew McGowan*
- Jake Guglielmi
- Alex Mondragon
- Willow Neereimer

**horn**
- Ethan Ault
- Michael Deresz*
- Alexis Esher
- LiYang Wan

**tuba**
- Ryne Dresbach
- Zac Gilbertson
- Tyler Lange*

**percussion**
- Simon Cooper
- Tanner Day*
- Chase Dunaway
- Nick Evanoff
- Owen Meldon
- Daisy Waters

**euphonium**
- Julia Gu
- Sabrina Vaughan

**euphonium**
- Andrew McGowan*
- Jake Guglielmi
- Alex Mondragon
- Willow Neereimer

**string bass**
- Mingzi Han

*section leader
**Cheryl Floyd** completed her twenty-fifth year as director of bands at Hill Country Middle School in Austin, Texas in May 2017. Musical organizations under her leadership have consistently been cited for musical excellence at both local contests and national invitational festivals. Floyd attended Baylor University, where she studied flute with Helen Ann Shanley.

**Richard Floyd** is the state director of music emeritus at The University of Texas at Austin. He is a recognized authority on the art and craft of teaching and making music. He is an ideal director for honor ensembles or lecturer at staff development days and MEA events. Floyd specializes in challenging student ensembles and music educators alike to reach their highest level of craft and artistry.

**Dr. Arris Golden** is the assistant director of bands and associate director of the Spartan Marching Band at Michigan State University. Golden holds degrees from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and the University of North Carolina at Greensboro. She completed the doctor of musical arts in wind conducting from Michigan State University as a 2014 recipient of a Michigan State University Distinguished Fellowship.

**Dr. Joe Parisi** is a curator’s professor at the UMKC Conservatory where he conducts the Conservatory Wind Ensemble and serves as a conducting and music education faculty member. Parisi completed a bachelor’s degree in music education at the State University of New York at Potsdam (Crane School of Music); a master’s degree in trumpet performance and a PhD in instrumental conducting/music education, both from Florida State University.

**Scott Teeple** serves as a professor of music, director of bands, and chair of the conducting area at the University of Wisconsin–Madison. Mr. Teeple received degrees in Music Education and Conducting from the University of Michigan, where he studied with H. Robert Reynolds.

**Dr. Mallory Thompson** is director of bands, professor of music, coordinator of the conducting program, and holds the John W. Beattie Chair of Music at Northwestern University. Thompson received the bachelor of music education degree and master of music degree in conducting from Northwestern University, where she studied conducting with John P. Paynter and trumpet with Vincent Cichowicz. She received the doctor of musical arts degree from the Eastman School of Music, where she studied with Donald Hunsberger.

**Alfred Watkins** was director of bands at Lassiter High School for thirty-one years. Watkins has been selected as a member of the Florida A & M University Gallery of Distinguished Alumni, the American Bandmasters Association, the Georgia Chapter of the Phi Beta Mu Hall of Fame, and the Bands of America Hall of Fame. In 1996, Watkins was associate director for the Atlanta Olympic Marching Band that performed in the Opening and Closing Ceremonies of the 1996 Centennial Olympic Games in Atlanta.