







About Tidewater Wind

Tidewater Winds Concert Band is comprised of 60 talented woodwind, brass, and percussion musicians from across the Hampton Roads Virginia region representing various military branches, careers, academia, college bands, and orchestras. Tidewater Winds is one of a handful of Concert Bands like it in the country, preserving the unique heritage of American Concert Bands. Within the Concert Band are several smaller ensembles performing community outreach and educational programs.

Our Mission

The Mission of Tidewater Winds is to provide quality concert band programming in the Hampton Roads region. Through community partnerships and local initiatives, Tidewater Winds works to provide musical performances, special projects, and educational programming at the highest level of excellence. It is our charge to musically serve the Hampton Roads region while offering equity and inclusion to all audiences. We aim to encourage education, socialization, and unity through our musical programs.

Learn more at www.tidewaterwinds.org



Dear Friends of the Winds,

It is a great pleasure to welcome you to the Tidewater Winds program, "Winter Winds". Like many of you, this is my favorite time of the year. Time to spend with our family, friends and tonight, with each other as we enjoy some of our holiday favorites. I want to take a moment to thank you, our loyal patrons who continue to support us with your presence and financial support. Our concert this evening celebrates the season with the Winds performing some of our very favorite holiday arrangements. Many of you will be hearing either the Winds and/or our guest artists for the first time. Welcome!

The first half of tonight's concert opens with a fanfare arrangement of two perennial holiday favorites, "O Come, All Ye faithful and Joy to the World". We turn to the music of local composer Stephen Melillo, in an awe inspired arrangement of "Of Come Holy Night". We are thrilled to welcome the angelic voices of the children's choir from Old Donation School, Brickell Academy for Advanced Academics and Arts, under the direction of Ashley Adams and Sue Davis. The students will sing "Believe" from the beloved holiday move The Polar Express. The students will be joined by guest vocalist, Amanda Batcher, who will grace the stage singing to sing a world premier arrangement of Michael Mott's, "Christmas will you Stay". In keeping with the program title, we will perform Robert W. Smith's arrangement of Gustave Holt's composition, "In the Bleak Midwinter. We will close the first half with a work from Stephen Melillo that is written in celebration of Chanukah.

We open the second half of our program with Robert Longfield's arrangement of "Emanuel". Amanda rejoins the band for another new holiday song, "Love is Christmas" and then will sing a touching performance of "Have Yourself a Merry Little Christmas". We then turn to contemporary selections from two of the most popular holiday touring groups of all time, Mannheim Steamroller, and the Trans-Siberian Orchestra. We will close with Leroy Anderson's timeless classic "Sleigh Ride" and the Winds signature arrangement of "Christmas and Sousa Forever"

Thank you for once again making our 2023 season so special for the Winds. The previous 38 years would not have been possible without your continued generosity and support. I am grateful and humbled by your kindness, your support, and continued presence at our concert performances.

I wish you, your family and friends, music, peace and a blessed holiday season.

Musically Yours,

John H. Brewington

John Brewington

Conductor and Music Director,

Tidewater Winds

Amanda Batcher

Ms Batcher is thrilled to be returning to her hometown to perform with Tidewater Winds! She is a graduate of Kellam High School and Old Dominion University. In Hampton Roads she performed with Hurrah Players, VSO, Todi Music Festival, the Tattoo, Royster Presbyterian and served as Miss Norfolk 2004. Some of her national theatre credits include Les Misérables, Scrooge the Musical, and Some Enchanted Evening. Her cabaret work is comprised of several solo shows including Finding Beauty which debuted in NYC's Laurie Beechman Theatre, and a Sondheim cabaret directed by Lonny Price. Currently splitting her time between Charlotte, NC and NYC, Amanda works as a print model for clients such as Vera Bradley, Lands End, Soft Surroundings and Home Depot. She also runs Amanda Batcher Voice Studio, teaching virtual voice lessons to students spanning four time zones and five decades in age. Thank you to Mom, Dad, Mames, and Bryan. www.AmandaBatcher.com

Old Donation Chorus The Old Donation School Chorus

The Old Donation School Chorus Children's Choir features students in fourth, fifth, and sixth grade. Students enrolled in chorus participate in concerts, field trips, and local performances. While in chorus, the students learn aspects of vocal performance through ensemble and solo work and engage in learning music literacy skills, music history, foreign languages, teamwork, collaboration, and creativity. The chorus is under the director of Mrs. Sue Davis (Elementary School) and Mrs. Ashley Landon (Middle School).



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Remembering Stuart Cake The Spirit of Christmas

"I first learned about the Tidewater Winds Concert Band in 2004 when I met Stuart Cake. a former member of the TW Board who passed away in 2018. Stuart's enthusiasm for Tidewater Winds was infectious and I couldn't wait to attend a concert when I moved to Virginia Beach in 2006. Sure enough, I immediately became a big fan and loved attending concerts and following Stuart around as he cheerfully greeted Board and band members and concert-goers. The atmosphere at concerts is always upbeat and I love how our audiences say they appreciate the wonderful concerts and can't wait for the next one! Even though Stuart is no longer with us in person, I feel his spirit most vividly whenever Tidewater Winds perform! May the Spirit of Christmas be with you all!" -Bet Cake



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Education in the Winds

Tidewater Winds provides one of the regions most ambitious and powerful education programs for an arts organization of its size. We serve elementary, middle and high schools with concerts, clinics, and master classes while also providing High Schools and Colleges with music, media, and arts administration internship opportunities.

Our musicians provide support to the Band Together program in Norfolk along with high school music partnerships.

Life-long learning is another element of our ongoing education offerings as apparent in the program descriptions and open concert dialogue.

Our newest project RiME, enhances 3rd-4th grade literacy skills with Reading and Music Appreciation through the story of Pinocchio.

Reading in Music Education program (R.i.M.E.)
Student Intern Program
Band Clinics
Master Classes
In-School K-5 Concerts
Little Library Winds
Life-Long Learning Projects
Band Together (with Academy of Music)





VOICE TEACHER

Amanda Batcher

VIRTUAL VOICE LESSONS

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- Learn how your voice works and how to get the most out of it
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- Song interpretation and acting coaching
- Build confidence singing in front of others
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- Audition preparation

"I grew more as a singer than I have with any other coach."

~Tori

"Not only does she have superior technical skills, her positive energy and enthusiasm are contagious." ~Dawn

"Creates a positive and safe environment for her students to grow." ~Rebekah

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"Her capacity to use technical tools in an uplifting, imaginative, and playful way is delightful and incredibly effective." ~Sonya



Old Donation School Home of the Brickell Academy for Advanced Academics and Arts Virginia Beach, VA

Brickell Academy (formerly known as Kemps Landing/Old Donation School) is a centralized, full-time, gifted school serving academically gifted students in grades two through eight. The current school was created in 2014 by the merger of Kemps Landing Magnet School (Middle School) and Old

Donation Center (Elementary School).

Winter Winds

Festival Fanfare for Christmas	John Wasson
O Come Holy Night	Stephen Melillo
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Believe Silvestri/Ballard, arr. Hayes Old Donation School Childrens Choir

Michael Mott, arr. Scharnberg Christmas Will You Stay Amanda Batcher and Old Donation School School Childrens Choir

In the Bleak Midwinter Gustav Holst, arr. Smith Jingle Bells Goes Rio Traditional, Willi Marz

Traditional, arr. Wallace Pat-a-pan

Festival of Light! Stephen Melillo

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And He Shall be Called Emmanuel Robert Longfield

The Most Wonderful Time of the Year Pola/Wyle, arr. Moss

Love is Christmas Sara Bareille, arr. Brewington

Amanda Batcher

Have Yourself a Merry Little Christmas Martin & Blane, arr. Wagner

Amanda Batcher

Christmas Eve in Sarajevo Trans-Siberian Orchestra, arr. Phillips & Megaw

Sleigh Ride Leroy Anderson

Christmas and Sousa Forever J. P. Sousa, arr. Julie Giroux

A message from Board President, Matthew Weinstein

I am grateful for the musicians, staff, and board of Tidewater Winds, who make this organization truly remarkable. And as always I am grateful for our patrons, audiences, and donors that continue to fuel this powerful music and mission. It is a pleasure to have so many dedicated followers helping to support our work. Thank you all for helping Tidewater Winds grow and for maintaining our programs.

As we celebrate the Holidays, may there be light in our homes, love in our hearts, and peace in our world.

-Matthew Weinstein

I'M DREAMING OF A COOL SUMMER!

We've got a present for you! Don't open until July 2024!



Tidewater Winds Free Summer Concert Series begins July 4th, 2024! Mark your calendars!

Tidewater Winds Golf Tournament May 10, 2024

Join Tidewater Winds Staff, Musicians, Board and Volunteers to help raise funds to support our powerful Music education program. Save the Date... May 10th, 2024 at Oceanview Golf Course, Norfolk VA with a shotgun start at 8:30 AM.

Join before April 15th for the early bird price of \$100 per player

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https://tidewaterwinds.org/golf-tournament

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Tidewater Winds is proud to continue to partner with the Academy of Music's "Band Together" program.

Band-Together is a pilot program that provides instrumental music instruction for individuals with and without disabilities on traditional band instruments (flute, clarinet, saxophone, trumpet, trombone, percussion.) Taught by Ms. Karen Jackson and Ms. Beckie Jones, both veteran band teachers with experience with people with disabilities, the program offers individual or small group lessons and a weekly evening ensemble rehearsal..

The objectives of the Band-Together pilot program are to:

- Provide a high level of instrumental music instruction for individuals of all abilities.
- Give individuals with disabilities the opportunity to learn a band instrument.
- Teach group cooperation, team work and ensemble playing skills.
- Bring people in the community together to perform and enjoy music, supporting each other in an ensemble experience.







Tidewater Winds is a unique, professional, non-profit concert band performing ca wide variety of music and traditional repertoire. We provide a free summer concert series, Holiday Concerts, Music Education, and more to the Hampton Roads community. Tidewater Winds Concert Band is comprised of 65 talented musicians. In addition to our Primary Concert Band, we promote the Big Band, Jazz Band Brass Quintet, and Woodwind Quartet to spread joy, and happiness.

www.tidewaterwinds.org



YES!!! I want to give my financial support to The Tidewater Winds so they may continue their series of FREE Summer Concerts and quality Music Education Programs for students in Hampton Roads. Your TAX DEDUCTIBLE contribution should be mailed to:

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The Marty Einhorn Mentorship Award



Tidewater Winds past Board President Marty Einhorn exemplified the mission of helping others. Our Board and Staff honor Marty with the annual "Marty Einhorn Mentorship Award". The award goes to a person impacting our community by offering support through Tidewater Winds or to the Greater Hampton Roads region. Through guidance, mentoring, and volunteer work, our award winner will exemplify selfsacrifice and support that celebrates the goodness of humanity and the world around us. One award recipient will be announced annually. This year's first recipient goes to an individual that has impacted students in his many years of musical service. Eddie Knakal.

2023 Tidewater Winds Mentorship Award Eddie Knakal



Eddie Knakal, clarinet, is Concertmaster and principal clarinet of Tidewater Winds. He took up the clarinet when he was eleven and began studying with the late Alberto Asercion. Eddie continued his studies with Mr. Asercion and Martin Pachey in college. He furthered his studies with William Wright of the National Symphony in Washington D.C. and Leon Russianoff at Julliard School in New York. He has performed with the Virginia Symphony, Symphonicity, Norfolk Chamber Consort, and many others. He is a dedicated teacher with a very active studio, and has molded many former students who are now principal players in national orchestras and many United States military bands. Thank you for being a mentor!

To nominate an individual for this honor, or to contribute to this fund, please email office@tidewaterwinds.org or call 757-480-0953

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Thank You!











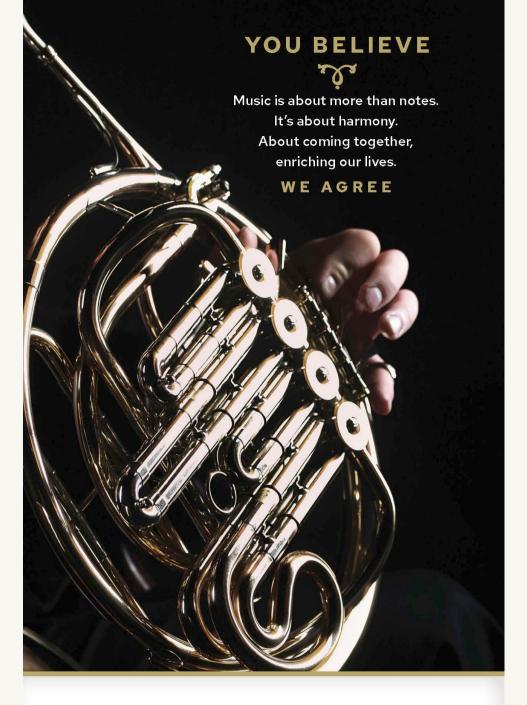














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