# FILORIDA WIND BAND

# The Florida Wind Band History



Since 2008, we've been sparking excitement, inspiring creativity, and sharing the joy of music with our vibrant community. With performances that range from heartwarming to foot-tapping fun, we bring the kind of music that makes you laugh, cry, and, most importantly, feel alive.

Our talented ensemble is made up of professional musicians—including K-12 educators, college professors, and full-time performers—who bring their passion for music to life every time we take the stage. We play an eclectic mix of repertoire, from timeless classical pieces to the bold sounds of contemporary composers, under the direction of USF's Director of Bands, Matthew McCutchen. He's dedicated to crafting programs that make our audiences not just listen, but experience the music.

So, whether you're joining us for the first time or you've been part of our journey from the beginning, we invite you to be a part of the adventure. The music is just the beginning—together, we can make it unforgettable.

#### FLUTE

Robert Neale<sup>\*</sup> John Brennan Megan Woods Anne Wall, *piccolo* 

#### OBOE

Lauren Murray<sup>\*</sup> Hannah Lundahl, *English horn* 

#### BASSOON

Ann Adair\* Tristan Hensley

#### CLARINET

Tony Negron\* Sharon Henson Evan Lutz Kelsey Synnett Mariah Walukonis Tashianna Torres George Linakis, *bass* Ashley Huffman, *contra* 

## **Our Musicians**

#### SAXOPHONE

Stephen Padgett\* Revaé Douglas Ross Alex Ehredt Brian J. Panetta

#### TRUMPET

Russ McCollum\* Robert Baldridge Matthew Cox Kevin D. Clark John Baker

#### HORN

Allison Synnett Ben Walukonis Samantha Snow Jonathan Busch

#### TROMBONE

Buggy Bowden\* Dave Thomas Brian Mason, *bass*  EUPHONIUM Roy Mitchell\*

**TUBA** Philip Beatty\*

STRING BASS Bill Swartzbaugh\*

HARP John McColley\*

#### PERCUSSION

Kyle Cherwinski<sup>\*</sup> Michael Davis Gabriel Travieso Fai Fai Ho Fred Bowlus Mike Garcia





# **The Florida Wind Band**

Matthew McCutchen, Music Director Nash McCutchen, Guest Narrator John Dupuis, Guest Conductor Joshua Hobbs, Guest Conductor

**Star Spangled Banner** Francis Scott Key Pinnacle Winds Fanfare John Dupuis Fantasy on a Theme by Edwin Taylor Edwin Taylor Arr. Alain Rodriguez Afro-American Symphony | II. Adagio William Grant Still **Tribute to Stephen Foster** Arr. Sammy Nestico Red Feathered Soul Joshua Hobbs **People Who Live In Glass Houses** John Philip Sousa I. The Champaignes II. The Rhine Wines III. The Whiskies | Scotch, Irish, Bourbon & Rye IV. The Convention of the Cordials Armed Forces Salute Arr. Bob Lowden John Philip Sousa Stars and Stripes Forever

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\*Updated 6.23.2025

Bold indicates renewed support for Season 18.











--In Honor: Stephen Allen































### Ride the Winds... We Play, You Soar!

Get ready to soar with the Florida Wind Band as we launch Season 18, filled with powerful performances, inspiring stories, and music that moves the soul. Each concert invites you on a journey through moments of joy, patriotism, nostalgia, and reflection, all brought to life by the power of wind band music and the strength of our community.

# Back the Band & build our momentum!

As a 501(c)(3) nonprofit, we rely on the generosity of our donors and sponsors to make this season possible. Every concert costs an average of \$7,500 to produce, covering everything from venues to music and insurance. Your support-whether as an attendee, donor, or sponsor-keeps the music playing. We offer range of sponsorship а individuals, families. for opportunities and businesses, starting at just \$250, with benefits like program recognition, promotional exposure, and the joy of supporting the arts in your community.

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## No gift is too small to make a big impact!

Every note we play is powered by people like yousupporters who believe in the magic of live music and the stories it tells. Whether it's \$5 or \$500, your support helps bring unforgettable performances to life, inspire young musicians, and keep our community connected through the arts.



### "Lights Out" Chamber Series

This series was created with a vision of keeping the child alive in all of us—by connecting the wonder of classical music to the joy, curiosity, and innocence that comes with childhood.

Dates coming soon for this exciting series!

The Florida Wind Band Season 17 | 2024-2025 Accomplishments





### **Concert Offerings**

- Mainstage Performances: Our premier, professional Wind Band presented five high-impact concerts this season. In Season 18, a new partnership with Pasco-Hernando State College will help expand our concert reach.
- **Chamber Music Expansion:** The "Lights Out" Series grew to three performances, and will continue to expand in Season 18 due to strong audience interest.
- Sold-Out Success: For the third consecutive year, our May Concert Series sold out, reflecting strong community support and demand.

### **Community Support & Visibility**

- **Sponsor & Donor Growth:** Our donor base more than doubled, from 43 in Season 16 to 99 in Season 17. We are aiming to surpass 100 in Season 18!
- **Community Partners:** We are grateful to Palma Ceia Presbyterian, Hyde Park United Methodist, USF, Berkeley Preparatory School, Sickles High School, and H.B. Plant High School for space, outreach, and support.
- Grant & State Recognition: We renewed our Hillsborough County Arts Council Grant for a third year and are now eligible for funding from the Florida Division of Arts & Culture.
- Transparency & Trust: We earned the Platinum Seal of Transparency for 2025 from Candid—showcasing our commitment to accountability and public trust.

### **Audience Development**

- 22% Growth in Attendance: Season 17 concerts saw a 22% average increase in audience size. We are excited to build on this in Season 18—bring a friend!
- **Pre-Concert Chats:** Our new pre-concert talks were a hit, giving attendees deeper insight into the music and performers.
- Diverse Programming: From full ensemble to chamber concerts, our offerings provide rich, varied experiences for audiences of all ages.

### **Educational Outreach**

- Autumn Winds Expansion: Now offering year-round instruction and mentorship for middle and high school students in our Bay Area Youth Winds program.
- **Concerto Competition:** Our second annual competition gave the winner a unique opportunity to perform twice with the Florida Wind Band as a featured soloist.
- School Partnerships & Scholarships: We partnered with six schools, providing scholarships to deserving students, ensuring access to quality music education.

### Musician Talent

- **Expertise:** 97% of our musicians hold music degrees, with 12% holding terminal degrees—a testament to our organization's mission and vision to provide the Tampa Bay area with a professional Wind Band.
- Educator-Musicians: 79% of members are music educators, and 63% perform professionally across Florida, enriching both the classroom and the concert hall.
- **One-Rehearsal Excellence:** Our ensemble delivers concert-ready performances with just one rehearsal, showcasing remarkable efficiency and artistry.





# **Sponsor the adventure!**

Let's build a future filled with music, memories, and community.

BRONZE SPONSOR Sponsor the adventure at the beginning! Your support sets the stage	\$250
for a year of music, memories, and community. Every note played is a note of gratitude to you.	
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<b>CONCERT SPONSOR</b> Sponsor the entire adventure of a concert! With your support, we bring music, memories, and community together in one unforgettable night. Let's make this concert a milestone in our shared journey.	\$5,500
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music and community for years to come.

# Make Your Impact Today!



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# Double your impact!

Our matching challenge has been extended to July 31<sup>st</sup>, 2025! Every donation or sponsorship collected, small or large, will be matched dollar-for-dollar up to \$25,000!

This is an advantageous opportunity to amplify your support and help us achieve extraordinary goals for our upcoming season!

