

# THE AMERICAN SPIRIT

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PALMA CEIA PRESBYTERIAN



# Our Mission and Vision

The mission of the Florida Wind Band is to entertain and inspire the community through live performances of high-quality wind band music, while providing enhanced youth performance opportunities.

As a non-profit organization, The Florida Wind Band encompasses adult and youth wind ensembles aimed at providing talented local musicians of all ages a musical outlet for performance. In addition to our primary adult wind ensemble comprised of the area's top professional musicians, the Florida Wind Band is the parent organization to Bay Area Youth (BAY) Winds. BAY Winds is Tampa Bay's premier outlet for outstanding students to perform in high-caliber wind ensembles aimed at providing additional performance opportunities for the area's top middle and high school students.

The Florida Wind Band is comprised of many of the finest wind and percussion musicians in the Tampa Bay Area. All of our members have music degrees, and the vast majority of our musicians work as full time musicians either teaching in the area's public and private schools and universities, or as freelance performers throughout Florida. The musicians volunteer their time and accomplished talents to our organization for their love of wind band repertoire, live performances, and the camaraderie that comes along with making music at the highest level for our community.

Our vision is to be the premier, professional wind band in the Tampa Bay Area. Our ensemble continues to grow and thrive by the selfless work of our volunteers and generous support from donations and sponsorships within the community. There are many ways you can make a contribution to support our mission and vision. You can become a monthly donor or make a one-time tax-exempt donation at [www.floridawindband.org](http://www.floridawindband.org). Tiered sponsorships are also available for corporations, individuals, and families.

# Our Musicians

## FLUTE

Robert Neale\*  
John Brennan  
Megan Woods  
Anne Wall, *piccolo*

## OBOE

Dawn Hardy\*  
Kathryn Jurado, *English horn*

## BASSOON

J. Javi Rodriguez  
Tristan Hensley

## CLARINET

Tony Negron\*  
Francisco Quixtan  
Stefanie McDannald, *E♭*  
Steven DeBoer  
Kathleen Sadowsky  
Evan Lutz  
Mariah Walukonis  
George Linakis, *bass*  
Ashley Huffman, *contra*

## SAXOPHONE

Josh Hollenbeck\*  
Andrew Becker  
Alex Ehredt  
Brian J. Panetta

## TRUMPET

Russ McCollum\*  
Robert Baldridge  
William Luckett  
Kevin D. Clark  
Matthew Cox  
Johnathon Mulder

## HORN

Brandon McDannald\*  
Samantha Snow  
Benjamin Walukonis  
John Collins

## TROMBONE

Tom Brantley\*  
Terry Adams  
Brian Mason, *bass*

## EUPHONIUM

Roy Mitchell\*

## TUBA

Philip Beatty\*

## PIANO

Colleen Schmitt\*

## PERCUSSION

Kyle Cherwinski\*  
Michael Davis  
Fai Fai Ho  
Mike Garcia  
Nicholas Gigante  
Tyler Carr

\*Denotes Principal Player



FLORIDA WIND BAND

# *The American Spirit*

**MATTHEW MCCUTCHEN**, ARTISTIC DIRECTOR & CONDUCTOR  
**REVEREND JOHN DEBEVOISE**, NARRATOR  
**ALLYSSA JONES**, NARRATOR

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FRANCIS SCOTT KEY  
ARR. HENRICKS

**THE STAR SPANGLED BANNER**

JIM STEPHENSON

**FANFARE FOR DEMOCRACY**

WILLIAM GRANT STILL

**AFRO-AMERICAN SYMPHONY**  
**I. MODERATO -ASSAI**

JOE KREINES

**AMERICAN SONG SET**  
**I. RED RIVER VALLEY**  
**II. POLLY WOLLY DOODLE**  
**III. HOME ON THE RANGE**

AARON COPLAND  
*Allyssa Jones, Narrator*

**A LINCOLN PORTRAIT**

RYAN NOWLIN

**LET FREEDOM RING**

BOB LOWDEN

**ARMED FORCES SALUTE**

JOHN PHILIP SOUSA

**STARS AND STRIPES FOREVER**

*Thank you for silencing all electronic devices.*

# *Season 16 Accomplishments*

Thank you to our community for their generous and continued support for the 2023-2024 season. Your sponsorships and donations have allowed our organization to make unprecedented growth this year, and we would like to share those accomplishments with you.

We hope that you will consider renewing your sponsorship for the 2024-2025 season at your current level or consider a tier higher where you can see your support making tangible growth for our mission throughout the community. For those of you who are new to the Florida Wind Band, we hope that you see the impact that we are making together throughout Tampa Bay, and we invite you to join our family of sponsors for Season 17.

We thank you for your attendance, patronage, and support. Everything we do both on and off the stage is possible only because of our generous donors. We are grateful for all gifts, large and small, as they keep the connection, service, friendship, and joy through music moving forward in our community. We all need music. And thanks to you, it will play on.





## CONCERT OFFERINGS

- We have doubled the amount of concerts we produce, including an extension to our season with our new “Lights Out” Chamber Series.
- For the second year in a row, our May Concert was SOLD OUT!

## COMMUNITY SUPPORT

- Sponsors & donors increased from 24 in Season 15 to 43 in Season 16.
- For the first time, we had two concert sponsors— One Tampa & Phi Beta Mu Music Fraternity.
- We renewed our Hillsborough County Arts Council Community Grant for the second year in a row.



## EDUCATIONAL REACH

- We launched our first fall semester of youth ensembles, Autumn Winds, enrolling 79 students, and provided scholarships to deserving students.
- We hosted our inaugural concerto competition with BAY Winds and provided the winner with two concert performances with the Florida Wind Band.

## AUDIENCE DEVELOPMENT

- Our audience has doubled in size in Season 16. Continue bringing your friends to our concerts in Season 17 so we can double again!
- Thank you to our community partners at Palma Ceia Presbyterian, Hyde Park United Methodist, St. Mark’s Episcopal & the University of South Florida.



## OUR MUSICIAN TALENT

- 97% of our performing musicians hold degrees in music, and 12% have earned their terminal degree.
- 79% of our ensemble is comprised of music educators, where over 63% freelance and perform professionally throughout the state of Florida.

# The Florida Wind Band History

Wind bands are an integral part of American history and culture. From circuses to military ceremonies, concerts in the park to concerts in Carnegie Hall, bands have provided Americans with entertainment and artistic enlightenment for generations. From the great touring professional bands of the 19<sup>th</sup> and early 20<sup>th</sup> centuries to the outstanding high school and collegiate ensembles that have entertained the country since World War II, wind bands have long captured the hearts and imaginations of audiences across the county.

Outside of our country's wonderful military bands, there are currently no full-time professional wind bands in America, so when John Carmichael moved to Tampa in 2007 to become the Director of Bands at the University of South Florida, he came with the goal of rectifying that situation. He believed that the Tampa Bay area has the unique ability to support such an ensemble, and he spent the next 11 years until his retirement working tirelessly to bring this dream to fruition.

The **Florida Wind Band** is now Tampa's premier wind band, bringing entertaining and inspiring performances of high-quality music to our vibrant and engaging community. The ensemble is comprised of professional musicians which include K-12 teachers, college professors, and full-time performers who have a deep love for the eclectic repertoire ranging from Bach to contemporary composers. The band is led by USF's Director of Bands, Matthew McCutchen, who is dedicated to programming music that will make audiences laugh, cry, dance, and wonder.

Dr. McCutchen and the Florida Wind Band, Inc. founded **Bay Area Youth (BAY) Winds** in 2011 as Tampa Bay's premier outlet for middle and high school students to receive exceptional performance opportunities for intermediate and advanced musicians. Student participants come from all over the Tampa Bay Area including Hillsborough, Pasco, Pinellas, Polk, and Hernando counties. A few years later with the excitement and opportunities provided through BAY Winds, **Summer Breeze** was founded and meets annually in the month of June to provide an opportunity for BAY Winds students and alumni to rehearse and perform in the summer. Summer Breeze regularly welcomes 60-80 musicians back to their joy of playing an instrument in a relaxed and enjoyable setting. This opportunity offers musicians the unique ability to rekindle old friendships, dust off their instruments, be surprised at how many fingerings they remember, and return to the joy of making music purely for fun, culminating in a joint performance with the Florida Wind Band on an annual Independence Day concert at Carrollwood Village Park. In the Fall of 2023, **Autumn Winds** was introduced as a youth ensemble offering for middle and high school band students under the direction of conductor and Florida Wind Band musician, Dr. Brian J. Panetta. Our educational outreach ensembles now provide opportunities for the area's youth musicians yearlong.

Since its debut in 2008, the Florida Wind Band has entertained thousands of people, including prestigious performances for the American Bandmaster's Association, the College Band Directors National Association, and the Florida Music Educators Association Convention. We look forward to many more years of inspired music-making and hope you will join us in these endeavors.

# Season 17 Sponsors & Donors

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## COMMUNITY PARTNERS

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Uptown Cheapskate  
**Brian Rainwater\***  
Denise & Jeff Traster  
**Robert Trimm\***

\*Thank you to our Season 17 sponsorship renewals.



## \$25,000 MATCH—JOIN OUR FAMILY OF SPONSORS AND SUPPORTERS TODAY!

Every donation or sponsorship collected now through July 31st will be matched dollar-for-dollar up to \$25,000! This is a rare opportunity to amplify your support and help us achieve extraordinary goals for our 2024-2025 season. Complete your donation or season sponsorship online by visiting [www.floridawindband.org](http://www.floridawindband.org) or send by mail to:

5004 E. Fowler Avenue C-140  
Tampa, FL 33617

*Thank you sponsors, donors, and community supporters!*



# Announcing Season 17

**Welcome to a season full of anticipation and energy** as we showcase our exceptional Florida Wind Band musicians in an exciting line-up of programming that will enthrall, entertain, and educate our community through live experiences of high-quality wind band music. We invite you to experience our diverse concert offerings including our masterworks series, traditional patriotic, holiday, and indoor pops concerts, as well as our new "Lights Out" Chamber Series.

**The "Lights Out" Chamber Series** will take place in the beautiful sanctuary at Palma Ceia Presbyterian Church with intimate lighting, allowing you to experience live classical music in a completely new way. Also featured on this series will be welcomed community guest speakers that you will not want to miss, telling timeless tales that will allow you to escape from the hustle and bustle of daily life into an aural adventure in a world of wonder.

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## Ways to Support

The Florida Wind Band continues its concerted efforts to perform in venues throughout Tampa Bay. As a 501c3 non-profit organization, our operations require funding for facility fees, transportation costs, music expenses, insurance payments, and the many other expenditures associated with delivering entertaining concerts and educational outreach, averaging \$3,500 per concert production. There are many ways you can make a contribution to support our mission. You can become a season or concert sponsor, monthly donor, or make a tax-exempt donation by visiting our website at [www.floridawindband.org](http://www.floridawindband.org) or by scanning the QR code below.

**Mail A Check:** Florida Wind Band, Inc. 5004 E. Fowler Avenue C-140 Tampa, FL 33617

**Season  
Sponsorship**



**General  
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**Volunteer  
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**Board  
Membership**



**\*All donations and sponsorships are tax-deductible.**

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PATRIOTIC POPS  
**THE AMERICAN SPIRIT**

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"LIGHTS OUT" CHAMBER SERIES  
**THE OLD STREET LAMP**

SUN | OCT 20, 2024 | 6:00PM  
PALMA CEIA PRESBYTERIAN



MASTERWORKS SERIES  
**CARMINA BURANA**

SAT | NOV 2, 2024 | 4:00PM  
UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH FLORIDA



"LIGHTS OUT" CHAMBER SERIES  
**JOY TO THE WORLD**

WED | DEC 11, 2024 | 6:00PM  
PALMA CEIA PRESBYTERIAN



HOLIDAY POPS  
**THE MOST WONDERFUL TIME**

SAT | DEC 14, 2024 | 6:00PM  
WIDE ORCHARD UNITED METHODIST



"LIGHTS OUT" CHAMBER SERIES  
**WHY THE OWL FLIES AT NIGHT**

SAT | FEB 8, 2025 | 6:00PM  
PALMA CEIA PRESBYTERIAN



INDOOR POPS  
**LET'S ROCK!**

SAT | APR 5, 2025 | 6:00PM  
PALMA CEIA PRESBYTERIAN



MASTERWORKS SERIES  
**IN THE SPRING**

SAT | MAY 7, 2025 | 6:00PM  
HYBLE PARK UNITED METHODIST

# Season Sponsorships

## **Diamond Level \$5,000 | Corporate or Private**

- Company name with event name for all concert promotions, both in print and on social media.
- Company logo and name linked on our website.
- Company can provide a banner to be displayed at all events.
- On-stage acknowledgement at performances.
- Opportunity to speak at all events throughout the season.
- Full page color advertisement in concert programs.
- Vendor table space available at all events.
- Reserved VIP seating at all concerts for up to 10 guests.
- Florida Wind Band promotional items.

## **Platinum Level \$2,500 | Corporate or Private**

- On-stage acknowledgement at performances and in programs.
- Company logo and name linked on our website.
- Reserved VIP seating at all concerts for up to 8 guests.
- Florida Wind Band promotional items.

## **Gold Level \$1,000 | Corporate or Private**

- On-stage acknowledgement at performances and in programs.
- Company logo and name linked on our website.
- Reserved VIP seating at all concerts for up to 4 guests.
- Florida Wind Band promotional items.

## **Silver Level \$500 | Corporate or Private**

- Acknowledgement in the programs.
- Reserved VIP seating at all concerts for up to 2 guests.
- Florida Wind Band promotional item.

## **Bronze Level \$250 | Corporate or Private**

- Acknowledgement in concert programs.
- Florida Wind Band promotional item.

# Titled Sponsorships

## **Concert Sponsor \$3,500 | Corporate or Private**

- Company name with event name for all concert promotions, both in print and on social media.
- Company logo and name linked on our website.
- Company can provide a banner to be displayed at all events.
- On-stage acknowledgement at performances.
- Reserved VIP seating at all concerts for up to 10 guests.

## **Chair Sponsor \$1,250 | Corporate or Private**

- Name listed with selected instrument chair in concert programs.
- Company logo and name linked on our website.
- Reserved VIP seating at all concerts for up to 6 guests.

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# Make An Impact

**Florida Wind Band, Inc.  
5004 E. Fowler Avenue C-140  
Tampa, FL 33617**

Your support of the Florida Wind Band is an investment in the future of acclaimed artistic talent and classical band music. All gifts are tax-deductible. Thank you for your generosity and support!

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- General Donation
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- Concert Sponsorship: *(Select a concert.)* \_\_\_\_\_
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**Payment can be made by:**

- Check, payable to "Florida Wind Band"
- Charge to Credit Card # \_\_\_\_\_ Expiration: \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

**To learn more about our family of generous donors, please visit [www.floridawindband.org](http://www.floridawindband.org) or scan the QR code below. For questions about joining our family of sponsors and supporters, please email our Executive Director at [fwb.executivedirector@gmail.com](mailto:fwb.executivedirector@gmail.com).**



**FLORIDA WIND BAND**





*Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world; indeed, it is the only thing that ever has.*

*Celebrating the 2024-2025 Season with a \$25,000 match!*

**Help the Florida Wind Band kickoff our  
17th season on a high note!**

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- **Deliver Unforgettable Concert Experiences:** We will produce five full band concerts and three chamber concerts, showcasing the extraordinary talent of our musicians.
- **Expand Our Reach:** We will take our innovative productions throughout Tampa Bay, sharing the magic of live music with a broader audience.
- **Nurture Young Talent:** Ensure year-long educational opportunities for our youth ensembles—BAY Winds, Summer Breeze, and Autumn Winds—inspiring the next generation of musicians.
- **Champion New Music:** Feature new compositions by living composers, celebrating contemporary voices in the music world.
- **Secure Our Future:** Build a solid foundation to ensure stability and sustainability for future seasons.

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