



FLORIDA WIND BAND

Tis The Season

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2022 AT 6:00PM
HYDE PARK UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
500 WEST PLATT STREET
TAMPA, FL 33606

MATTHEW MCCUTCHEN, ARTISTIC DIRECTOR
HEATHER LUNDAHL, GUEST CONDUCTOR
BRIAN PANETTA, GUEST CONDUCTOR
COLLEEN SCHMITT, NARRATOR

Our Mission & 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.

The Florida Wind Band is a non-profit organization in Tampa, Florida, encompassing 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.

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. Tiered sponsorships are also available for corporations, individuals, and families.



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THREE WISE GUYS

A CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL

Our History

The Florida Wind Band is 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.

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 19th and early 20th 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.

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.

FROM THE CHAIRMAN—DR. DANIEL BUFFINGTON



Welcome back! **"Tis The Season"** for celebration, and the Florida Wind Band is excited that you have joined us tonight for this holiday performance. Our Artistic Director & Conductor, Dr. Matthew McCutchen, and his administrative leadership and performers have planned an evening of beautiful music, creative arrangements, and heartfelt narrations that are sure to warm your heart and celebrate the holiday season. We welcome tonight's special guest conductors, Heather Lundahl and Brian Panetta, as well as Hyde Park United Methodist's very own Colleen Schmitt as our guest narrator.

Our year-end **Giving Season** campaign is currently underway and wrapping up on December 31st, 2022. We are aimed at raising \$15,000 through our community supporters to celebrate our 15 years of bringing music to the Tampa Bay area. We encourage you to include the Florida Wind Band in your current holiday giving plans. Your generous support to our organization will ensure our continued production of high-quality performances which you will experience tonight. You can provide your support tonight or through our website by visiting us at www.floridawindband.org

"It's not about making a donation, it's about making a difference."

— Kathy Calvin

We are blessed to have a community that appreciates and supports local talent and the healing impact that music has on each of our lives. Everything we do requires the support of thousands of people who care about music and the important connection that only live performance can provide. On behalf of the Board of Directors and the entire Florida Wind Band Family, thank you for spending your time together with us for this joyous performance. Have a happy and joyful Holiday Season!

Musicians

Flute

Robert Neale*
Mandy Swaim
John Gonzalez
Anne Wall, *piccolo*

Oboe

Lauren Murray*
Kelsie Carr

Bassoon

Tristan Hensley*
Kevin Lindow

Clarinet

Tony Negron*
Mariah Walukonis
Stefanie McDannald, *Eb*
Tina DiMeglio
Diana Belcher
Tashianna Torres
Francisco Quixtan, *bass*
Kelsey Synnett, *bass*

Saxophone

Josh Hollenbeck*
Nick Seier
Jordi Baylen-Gonzalez
Brian Panetta

Percussion

Nicholas Gigante*
Tyler Carr
Michael Davis
Michael Garcia
Fai Fai Ho
Dan Rodriguez

Trumpet

Russ McCollum*
Robert Baldrige
John Baker
James Paradies

Horn

Brandon McDannald*
Devin DeDon
Samantha Snow
Allison Synnett
Benjamin Walukonis

Trombone

Buggy Bowden*
CJ Melendez
Roy Mitchell

Euphonium

Aaron Campbell*

Tuba

Kelly Bravard*

Piano

Kathy Baker*

*Denotes principal player.

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Matthew McCutchen has served on the University of South Florida's music faculty since 2009, first as the Director of Athletic Bands for nine years and then as the Director of Bands since 2018. His responsibilities at USF include conducting the Wind Ensemble, teaching graduate and undergraduate courses in Conducting, Wind Band Literature, and Music Education, and serving as the Assistant Director of the School of Music.

McCutchen earned a Ph.D. in Music Education with an emphasis in Instrumental Conducting from Florida State University, a Master of Music degree in Conducting from Virginia Commonwealth University, and a Bachelor of Music Education degree from Furman University. Before coming to USF, he taught middle school in Georgia, high school in Virginia, and served as an adjunct instructor at Virginia Commonwealth University for several semesters.

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McCutchen is active as a guest conductor and clinician. He is the Artistic Director and Conductor of the Florida Wind Band and the Founder and Conductor of the Bay Area Youth (BAY) Winds, which features many of the finest high school musicians throughout the Tampa Area. He has been published in the National Band Association's Journal, the 7th and 8th editions, and the "Solos with Wind Band Accompaniment" editions of the Teaching Music Through Performance in Band series, The Instrumentalist, VMEA Notes, and The Florida Music Director. He is the Chair of the National Band Association's William D. Revelli Memorial Band Composition Contest Committee, is a member of the John Philip Sousa Foundation Legion of Honor Selection Committee, and holds memberships in numerous national and statewide professional organizations. In 2022 he was elected to the prestigious American Bandmasters Association.

Heather Lundahl began her music education in Monroe, New York, where she studied flute with Kathleen Affigne, Ron Naroff, and Beatrice Keram and performed in band under the baton of Dr. John Lynch. Heather earned her Bachelor of Music in Music Education and Performer's Certificate from Indiana University, Bloomington. She performed in multiple ensembles and was the principal flute in the top wind ensemble and orchestra. While at IU, Heather studied flute with Jacques Zoon and Thomas Robertello and conducting with Ray Cramer and Stephen Pratt.



Her career as a middle school band director began at Mabry Middle School in Marietta, Georgia, and continued at Shorewood Intermediate School in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, before moving to Florida. In 2002, Lundahl developed the vision for the band program at Blake Academy in Lakeland, where she taught students in grades three through eight. She began teaching band and orchestra in Hillsborough County in 2010 as the Director of Bands at Walker Middle Magnet International Baccalaureate World School. Under her leadership, the Walker band was awarded the FMEA award for student participation in music and has been a demonstration band for clinics at the FMEA Convention. Recently, Mrs. Lundahl was the Director of Bands at Cambridge Christian School, overseeing bands in grades four through twelve. She currently serves as the Assistant Director of Bands at Walter L. Sickles High School. Her bands and orchestras have consistently received superior ratings throughout her teaching career. Mrs. Lundahl is an active clinician and adjudicator and serves as District Chair for the Florida Bandmasters Association. Her memberships and professional affiliations include the National Association for Music Education, Florida Music Educators Association, and the Florida Bandmasters Association.

Mrs. Lundahl's entire family are instrumental musicians, including her husband Rich (saxophone), son Ryan (trombonist at the University of Colorado-Boulder), and daughter Hannah (oboe/English horn in the Sickles Wind Ensemble).



Colleen Schmitt was born and raised in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. Growing up in a musical family, she started playing piano when she was five years old and has studied with Jeanna Ogren and Jeffry Peterson. She also studied voice with Patricia Crump. Colleen started her work in liturgical music as the principal keyboardist at a large church in Milwaukee, where she honed her skills as an accompanist and became a worship leader for their Women's Ministries. Colleen was also a founding member of Honey Creek Church, where she held the role of Music Pastor. Colleen is currently the Director of Contemporary Music at Hyde Park United Methodist Church in Tampa, Florida.

Her passion for collaborative performances with singers, choirs, and instrumentalists has provided her various opportunities to perform, including district and state Solo and Ensemble competitions in Wisconsin and Florida. In addition to her work as a collaborative musician, Colleen was the vocalist and keyboard/bassist in the cover band "Sugar," as well as co-writer, singer, and keyboardist in the original band "Blood Orange." She has also enjoyed a successful career in the theatre, where she has played roles onstage in *Forever Plaid* and *Kreutzer Sonata*, served as Assistant Music Director for *The Color Purple*, and was music director for countless other shows, including *The Last Five Years*, *Little Shop of Horrors*, *The Wizard of Oz*, *Once On This Island*, and *The Improvised Musical (T.I.M.)*. Notably, Schmitt was the lead synth player for the world premiere of the opera, *The Snow Dragon* by Somtow Sucharitkul.

Brian J. Panetta is a Ph.D. candidate in Music Education at the University of South Florida. In addition to his studies at USF, Brian teaches music as the Director of Bands at Berkeley Preparatory School, an independent day school in Tampa, Florida, where he oversees the Conservatory of Music. In his time at Berkeley Preparatory School, Brian established and developed a comprehensive music program and founded the Marching Buccaneers, a jazz band program comprised of two complete ensembles, and is responsible for creating the Berkeley Conservatory of Music, which provides private lessons for students on campus. Mr. Panetta started his teaching career in 2009 as the Director and Coordinator of Music at Sandusky Central Catholic School in Ohio, where he taught middle and high school bands and choirs. Brian has developed a passion and skill for working with small and developing music programs throughout his career. Brian has been responsible for evolving dormant programs into stimulating, comprehensive, and inclusive music departments in both his positions at Sandusky Central Catholic School and Berkeley Preparatory School.



Brian received his Bachelor of Music in Music Education from the University of Dayton. He studied music education with Dr. Linda Hartley, saxophone with Dr. Willie Morris III, and conducting with Dr. Patrick Reynolds. His Master of Music in Instrumental Music Education is from Bowling Green State University, where he also served as a graduate assistant for the University Bands, studying conducting with Dr. Carol Hayward, Dr. Ken Thompson, and Dr. Bruce Moss. At Bowling Green State University, Brian studied music education with Dr. Vincent Kantorski, Dr. Elizabeth Menard, and Dr. Lisa Gruenhagen. Brian is completing his Ph.D. in Music Education with a cognate emphasis in conducting at the University of South Florida.

His research interests include Inclusive Teaching Practices, Queer Studies in Music Education, Beginning Band Pedagogy, and Small and Developing Band Programs. Brian has presented his work nationally and internationally at the National Association for Music Education Conference, the International Symposium on the Sociology of Music Education, and the Music, Spirituality, and Wellbeing Conference.

Support Today

We are excited that you are joining us in our mission to entertain and inspire the community through live performances of high-quality wind band music.

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 one-time tax-exempt donation by visiting our website at www.floridawindband.org or by scanning the QR code below.

Your contributions will allow us to continue bringing high-quality music to our community this season and invest in sustainability for our future success and continued development. Tiered sponsorships are available for corporations, individuals, and families. In addition to the prestige associated with sponsorship of the arts, an enhanced corporate image will be driven by brand recognition and patron support. The Florida Wind Band offers visibility with sponsorships through monthly communications, advertisements in our concert programs, and promotional materials including flyers and social media. Consider a sponsorship level that reflects your investment and passion for the success of our organization's mission.

On behalf of the Board of Directors, we sincerely appreciate your attendance at our concerts, loyal patronage, and generous giving. Thank you for your continued support in bringing high-quality wind band music to the Tampa Bay community.



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The Florida Wind Band is grateful for the support of our volunteers, donors, and sponsors!

Sponsorship Levels

Full Season Sponsorship \$17,500 | 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.
- Opportunity to speak at all events throughout the season.
- Full page color advertisement in concert programs.
- Vendor booth space available at our May or July concerts.
- Reserved VIP seating at all concerts for up to 10 guests.
- Florida Wind Band promotional items.

Concert Sponsorship \$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.
- Half page color advertisement in concert programs.
- Reserved VIP seating at all concerts for up to 6 guests.
- Florida Wind Band promotional items.

Platinum Level \$2,500 | Corporate or Private

- On-stage acknowledgement at performances and in concert programs.
- Company logo and name linked on our website.
- Reserved VIP seating at all concerts for up to 6 guests.
- Florida Wind Band promotional items.

Gold Level \$1,000 | Corporate or Private

- On-stage acknowledgement at performances and in concert 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 concert 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 the concert programs.
- Florida Wind Band promotional item.

****All sponsorships are tax-deductible.***

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GIVING SEASON 2022

Our year-end **Giving Season** campaign is currently underway and wrapping up on December 31st, 2022. We are aimed at raising \$15,000 through our community supporters to celebrate our 15 years of bringing music to the Tampa Bay area. All donations, no matter how small or large, will allow us to continue bringing the music to our local communities while furthering music education opportunities for school-aged musicians in 2023. Any additional funds raised past our goal will be placed in our new 3-year operation reserves account to ensure sustainability for our organization and our mission.

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Bay Area Youth Winds

The Florida Wind Band proudly supports furthering music education opportunities for school-aged musicians. Bay Area Youth (BAY) Winds is 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.

BAY Winds is designed to challenge and supplement the quality instruction students receive from their local, school-enrolled music programs and private lesson instructors. Students in BAY Winds experience quality training and instruction from well decorated professional musicians and educators. Rehearsals and concerts take place at the USF School of Music located at 3755 USF Holly Drive, Tampa, FL. All ensembles take place each spring and rehearse on Monday evenings at the USF School of Music. Notable guest conductors have included John Carmichael, Samuel Hazo, Michael Sweeney, Quincy Hilliard, Les Hicken, and Florida Wind Band's Artistic Director & Conductor, Dr. Matthew McCutchen. Membership in BAY Winds is by audition only.



Sponsorship opportunities are available for BAY Winds!

Learn more about BAY Winds, the audition application, and sponsorship opportunities on our website at www.bayareayouthwinds.org.

**EARLY BIRD AUDITION APPLICATIONS
DUE JANUARY 22ND, 2023**

STUDENT ELIGIBILITY

- Grades 5 - 12
- Private, public, and home-schooled students
- Hillsborough, Pasco, Pinellas, Polk and Hernando Counties

AUDITION MATERIALS

All students must submit an audition video for successful selection and assignment into an ability-based, tiered ensemble.

- Literature Performance
- Chromatic Scale—Full Range
- Three Major Scales



Upcoming Concerts

Celebration

Performance 1—Educational Outreach Concert

Saturday, March 25th at 6:00pm

Sickles High School | 7950 Gunn Highway

Performance 2—Community Concert

Sunday, March 26th at 6:00pm

Palma Ceia Presbyterian Church | 3501 West San Jose Street

Masterworks: Let's Dance!

Sunday, May 21st at 4:00pm

USF School of Music | 3755 USF Holly Drive

All Things America

Performance 1—Concert in the Park

Saturday, July 1st at 5:30pm

Carrollwood Village Park | 4680 West Village Drive

Performance 2—Community Concert

Sunday, July 2nd at 6:00pm

Palma Ceia Presbyterian Church | 3501 West San Jose Street