
OUR CLINICIANS

Brian Childers is an accomplished composer, conductor, and clinician. His choral, instrumental and handbell works are performed throughout the world. He is in demand as a featured clinician at music conferences and workshops across the nation.

Brian received his Bachelor of Music degree in Piano Performance from Appalachian State University and a Master of Divinity degree in Church Music from the M. Christopher White School of Divinity at Garner-Webb University. From 2012-2015, he served as artistic director for the Queen City Ringers, a community handbell ensemble based in Charlotte, NC. He has served churches throughout the southeast, building vibrant programs for choirs, handbells and instrumentalists. He currently serves as minister of music at First Baptist Church of Roswell, GA, where he oversees the music ministry to children, youth and adults.

Brian is married to Keely Childers, a professional counselor, and has two adult children. Brian is an avid runner and a rabid fan of the San Antonio Spurs. You can learn more about Brian at BrianChilders.org.

Marcia Brantly of Summerville, SC, holds a Bachelor of Music degree from Furman University and has been ringing and teaching handbells for over 30 years. She was the handbell instructor at Rollings Middle School of the Arts in Summerville for 10 years. She is the musical director and conductor of Palmetto Bronze, Inc., an auditioned community handbell ensemble that presents concerts in the Low-country and across SC and GA. Palmetto Bronze was featured in concert at the National Handbell of Musicians Seminar in Atlanta in 2014.

Marcia is currently employed as pianist and handbell coordinator at Summerville Baptist Church where she currently directs an adult bell ensemble, a children's bell group and a ladies vocal ensemble. She serves as the Education Chair for HMA, Area 4. She has been a clinician for the SC Baptist Convention, *Music Mississippi* and *October Ring*. Marcia has studied conducting under Dr. William Payn and has attended numerous seminars and workshops.



Carolina Bronze
% Pam Spirko
259 Chickadee Trail
Easley, SC 29642

UPSTATE FALL HANDBELL FESTI-BELL

Presented by

*Carolina
Bronze*

Clinicians

Brian Childers
Marcia Brantly

Hosted by

Buncombe Street UMC
200 Buncombe Street
Greenville, SC 29601

September 27, 2019

6:00 PM - 9:00 PM

September 28, 2019

9:00 AM - 4:30 PM

Carolina Bronze, the Upstate's auditioned community handbell ensemble, is excited to offer this festival to handbell enthusiasts around the Upstate and beyond!

Join us for a weekend of ringing,
learning, networking and fun!

What to Bring

Gloves, Music binders,
Music (purchased ahead of time), Tables*
All needed equipment (Bells**, pads, mallets,
chimes (if available) etc.)

*8' tables available for \$10 each

**Please label bells with group name/initials

Classes

Ringers will have the opportunity of signing up for classes at check-in. They *may* include the following classes:

- “Let’s Start at the Very Beginning” (Basic techniques)
- “Dream Weaver” (Bell weaving)
- “Hit Me, Don’t Beat Me” (Mallet techniques)
- “All About That Bass” (Bass bell techniques)
- New Music Reading Session

NEW THIS YEAR ZERO to HERO

New this year will be a new division to our festival called “Zero to Hero” lead by Marcia Brantley. This is for those who do not feel your are ready to play in a mass ring setting. You will learn two, Level 2 pieces from start to finish. The music will be provided for you the day of the festival. You will work together to learn the music, techniques and stage presence needed to perform. You will be included in the closing concert on Saturday. *There is an additional \$10 cost for the music.*



Workshop Music

Music should be purchased ahead of time so that groups may become familiar with the pieces. This is a “no pressure” festival. We want choirs to come and make music together while improving their ringing skills.

Repertoire is as follows:

Coventry Carol, Julie Stitt,

AG35349, AGEHR, 3-5 oct. L2

From Sorrow to Joy, Brian Childers,

20598, From the Top, 3-7 oct. L3

This Joyful Eastertide, Ron Mallory,

46234, Alfred, 3-5 oct. L3-

Carillon of Praise, Cathy Moglebust,

MCGB1089, Choristers Guild, 3-6
oct. L3-

Registration Information

You may register as a group or as an orphan ringer (coming by yourself). Groups please send one check with registration form. **Early Bird** registration is **\$35 per person (HMA members)/\$40 (non-members) before August 15, 2019** and \$40 (HMA members)/\$45 (non-members) after August 15, 2019. Make checks payable to *Carolina Bronze Handbell Ensemble*. **Box lunch is included** with registration. Registration form and payment should be mailed to:

Carolina Bronze

% Pam Spirko

259 Chickadee Trail

Easley SC 29642

The registration deadline is **September 7, 2017**. Five dollars per person is non-refundable and no refunds will be given after September 15, 2017.

Registration forms also available to print online at www.carolinabronze.net or call 864-238-4639 and register over the phone.

For additional information or questions, please contact Pam Spirko at pam.spirko@gmail.com

Upstate Fall Handbell Festive-Bell Registration Form

Name _____

Church/Organization _____

Director's Name _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Phone _____

E-mail _____

HMA membership # _____

Orphan Ringer _____ Group _____

Mass Ringing _____ Zero to Hero _____

Willing to host orphans? _____

Number of octaves you will bring: _____

Table footage needed _____

(Complete even if bringing your own tables)

Will you bring your tables or rent? _____

Special Dietary Needs: _____

Attending Friday Night session? _____

Payment Information

Early Bird HMA # of ringers: _____ x \$35=_____

Early Bird non-member # of ringers: _____ x \$40=_____

After Aug. 15, 2019

HMA member # of ringers: _____ x \$40=_____

Non-member # ringers: _____ x \$45=_____

Zero to Hero # ringers _____ x \$10 (for music) _____

8' Tables Requested: _____ x \$10=_____

Total fees due: \$ _____

