

Tidewater Winds

Concert Band



The Official Newsletter of Tidewater Winds

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Tidewater Winds presents...



Cupid Swings!

Join Tidewater Winds Little Big Band, Jazz vocalist Annamarie Smith-Butz, and FFX Theatre for this one-afternoon-only, return concert, of Cupid Swings! Spend a romantic afternoon with your sweetheart while enjoying new jazz favorites, love songs, and beautiful ballads with the passionate voice of Annamarie. FFX Theatre offers a convenient bar, comfortable seating, and a cozy atmosphere for your enjoyment, making this one of the hottest tickets in town!

Sunday, February 19, 2023
2:30 to 4:30 pm
FFX Theatre
206 16th Street
Virginia Beach Oceanfront

Get your tickets at...

<https://tickets.ffxshow.org/tickets/the-cupid-swing-255271#buy>

Save the dates! More Details Soon!

Join Maestro John Brewington and Tidewater Winds for our pre-summer programs. "**The Perilous Predicaments of Pinocchio**", one-



concert-only, will be a treat for students on Wednesday, April 5th.
Golfers get swinging ready for our brand new Golf Fundraiser!
And don't miss our Independence Day celebration with IMGoing at the Oceanfront this **July 4th**. Look for our next newsletter with more updates on these exciting activities.
Check our website at www.tidewaterwinds.org

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April 5, 12:15 pm "Pinocchio" at Sandler Center

May 12 All Day Golf Tournament at Ocean View

July 4, 7:30 pm VA Beach Oceanfront

Meet two of our Newest Board Members

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Ellard Forrester

Mr. Ellard Forrester is one of the newest Board members at Tidewater Winds. He is an avid musician and educator holding advanced degrees in Band, Conducting, Drill and Percussion from Eastern Illinois University, and Alabama A&M in Music Education, with additional studies at UNC Greensboro and Indiana University. He recently retired from teaching at Elizabeth City State University and is a former professor at Hampton University and NC A&T State University. Mr. Forrester believes strongly in education and has taught college courses in Marching Band, Music



Frank "Buddy" Creasy

Buddy Creasy has been playing Alto, Lead and Baritone Saxophone for years. He played with many ensembles before joining the Winds in 2012.

He works as a lineman and owns his own contracting business where he provides grading and excavation services. When he is not on the water enjoying boating, Buddy can be seen in the skies, flying his Piper Arrow airplane up and down the east coast, traveling to new places and meeting new people. Mr. Creasy joins the Tidewater Winds Board of Directors to offer our organization his unique perspective as a businessman, musician and resident of Suffolk,

Theory, Percussion, Conducting, Symphonic Band and African American Music. We are so pleased to welcome Ellard Forrester to the Board of Tidewater Winds!

where he is offering insight and direction to our future work in that community. We welcome Buddy to the Tidewater Winds Board of Directors!



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