The Band Section of the North Carolina Music Educators Association presents...

The 2023 North Carolina All-State Honor Bands



MIDDLE SCHOOL BAND CONDUCTOR

Kim Bain Louis Pizitz Middle School (Retired) - Vestavia Hills, AL

HIGH SCHOOL BAND (9/10) CONDUCTOR

Col. Timothy J. Holtan Colonel, U.S. Army (Retired)

SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL BAND (11/12) CONDUCTOR

Alfred L. Watkins

Musical Director and Conductor, Cobb Wind Ensemble - Marietta, GA

Sunday, April 30, 2023 - 1:00 PM UNCG AUDITORIUM

University of North Carolina at Greensboro
Greensboro, North Carolina

Kim Bain Conductor, Middle School Band

Kim Bain retired as director of bands at Louis Pizitz Middle School in Vestavia Hills, Alabama in May 2021. For thirty-four years ensembles under her leadership were consistently cited for musical excellence at both the state and national levels. In 2015, Ms. Bain and the Louis Pizitz Symphonic Band performed at the Midwest Clinic in Chicago. The Louis Pizitz Band was also declared the 2015 winner of the National Band Association's Blue Ribbon Award of Excellence. The Louis Pizitz Band was selected as a recipient of the coveted John Philip Sousa Sudler Cup in 2013. The Pizitz Symphonic and Concert Bands also performed at the 2013 Music for All-National Middle



School Music Festival in Indianapolis, Indiana. In January 2020, her band performed at the Alabama Music Educators state conference.

Other invitational performances include the February 2014 performance at CBDNA/NBA Southern Division Conference at the University of North Florida. In December 2014 the band performed at the Southeastern United States Middle School Clinic at Troy University. In 2017 the Pizitz Jazz Band and Percussion Ensembles performed at the Alabama Music Educators Conference; and the Symphonic Band performed at the Music for All Regional Festival in Atlanta, Georgia. In February 2018 the Pizitz Band performed at the CBDNA/NBA Southern Division Conference at the University of South Florida.

In 2018, Ms. Bain was presented the Lacey Powell Outstanding Music Educator Award by the Alabama Music Educators Association. She was awarded the Phi Beta Mu, Rho Chapter, Outstanding Bandmaster Award in 2014 and named Teacher of the Year for the Vestavia Hills City Schools in 2012. Ms. Bain has served as a clinician for the Alabama Bandmasters Association and guest conducted numerous honor bands and camps in Alabama, Mississippi, Tennessee, and Georgia.

She holds a Bachelor of Science in music education, a Master of Arts in music education, and an education specialist degree from the University of Alabama. She also holds a Master of Music degree in saxophone performance from Bowling Green State University in Bowling Green, Ohio. Ms. Bain's professional affiliations include the National Association for Music Education, Alabama Music Educators Association, Alabama Bandmasters Association, the National Band Association, and Phi Beta Mu. In addition, Ms. Bain is an active freelance musician in the Birmingham area. Since retirement from public school teaching, she is an instructor of saxophone and music education at Samford University and an adjunct instructor in music education at the University of Alabama.

Middle School Personnel

Flute

Sua Moon, Mills Park Middle
Clare Liu, Durham Academy
Kaylee Goff, AG Cox Middle
Emma Yu, Mills Park Middle
Inna Yoon, Greensboro Academy
Alexandrea Julo, New Century
International Middle
Ankit Durbha, Martin Magnet Middle
Mae Robertson, Montford North Star
Sadie Mitchell, Metrolina Regional
Scholars Academy
Katherine Chen, Covenant Day

Oboe

Maddysen Davis, Cane Creek Middle Eva Awasthi, Ravenscroft

Bassoon

Davis Baker, Ligon Magnet Middle Zane York, Uwharrie Ridge 6-12

Clarinet

Yunah Park, Durham School of the Arts Cynthia Cui, Mills Park Middle Victoria Li, F. J. Carnage Middle Owen Burch, Porter Ridge Middle Angela Wang, Town Creek Middle Kinley Pinckard, Morehead City Middle Frank Lu, Mills Park Middle Eric Chen, Hanes Magnet Victor Zhou, F. J. Carnage Middle Moses Goldstein, Asheville Middle Kadence Miller, Broad Creek Middle Joel Cuthrell, West Pine Middle James Burdick, Morehead City Middle Nicholas Arado, Charlotte Country Day Aidan Waters, West Pine Middle Olivia Hampton, Woodlawn Middle Regan Vandiver, Asheville Middle Jemma Lee, Durham School of the Arts Cadence Edwards, Canton Middle Venancia Fragapane Yotz, Mountain Island Charter

Bass Clarinet

Naila Small, Brevard Middle
Tyler Streetman, Leesville Road Middle
Ezennia Adibe, Margaret B. Pollard
Middle
Randy Mayo-Rodriguez, Union
Academy

Contra Clarinet

Ayden Kisby-Jones, W.C. Friday Middle

Alto Sax

Alex Liu, Ligon Magnet Middle Anton Guevara, Crestdale Middle Declan McGarry, Mac Williams Middle Wanbo Wang, Hanes Magnet

Tenor Sax

Jonas Hutchinson, Ligon Magnet Middle Leyton Atkins, Martin Magnet Middle

Baritone Sax

Aaron Neiberg, Hanes Magnet

Trumpet

Gabriel Luza, Hickory Ridge Middle
Ben Mitchell, Metrolina Regional
Scholars Academy
Dominic Hu, F. J. Carnage Middle
Jameson Young, Hickory Ridge Middle
Soren Cornwell, Mills Park Middle
Zavier Marrow, New Century
International Middle
Caden Anderson, Leland Middle
Ethan Diemer, South Davie Middle
Luca Sabino, Ligon Magnet Middle
Bennett Mercurio, Union Academy
Samuel Armstrong, South Charlotte
Middle
Joshua Ward, Holly Grove Middle

Horn

William Zuo, Hickory Ridge Middle Mia Vernon, Leesville Road Middle Mattie Nocon, Gravelly Hill Middle Abigail Meaney, Holly Grove Middle Lilah Johnson, Heritage Middle Hunter Black, Emma B. Trask Middle Leonora Breit, Durham School of the Arts

Moss Perdue, Owen Middle Gage Overman, South Brunswick Middle

Trombone

Shivaani Sankarlingam, F. J. Carnage Middle
Gabriel Sammons, Hanes Magnet
Ian Ware, Mills Park Middle
Dale Clemmons, Ligon Magnet Middle
Carson Munger, Broad Creek Middle
Leah Landers, Madison Middle
Zach Zeller, Paisley Magnet
Paige Reinhardt, Margaret B. Pollard
Middle
Neela Venigalla, Hickory Ridge Middle

Euphonium

Papa Mensah, Piedmont IB Middle Miles Caldwell, Macon Middle Elizabeth Scott, Thomas Jefferson Middle Brayden Jones, South Brunswick Middle

Tuba

Samuel Simon, Cannon Middle
Christian Cato, Parkwood Middle
Grace Wilson, Margaret B. Pollard
Middle
Riley Jonas Meyer, Tucker Creek Middle
Lorelei Schmidt, Oberlin Magnet
Middle
Sophia Kleva, South Brunswick Middle

String Bass

Natalie Kunz, A.L. Stanback Middle

Percussion

Liam Pedraza, Mills Park Middle Bryson Witherspoon, John Griffin Middle Caroline Rucker, Hanes Magnet Alex Huse, Northern Guilford Middle

Mallet Percussion

Teddy Tennant, Hanes Magnet Eden Dierkhising, Swift Creek Middle

Timpani

Will McDowell, IC Imagine

Col. Timothy J. Holtan Conductor, High School (9/10) Band

Col. Timothy J. Holtan retired in 2017 as the senior military musician in the Department of Defense. Col. Holtan's final command was as the 10th Leader and Commander of The United States Army Band "Pershing's Own." He holds the distinction of being the only officer to command all three of the Army's premier bands, which also include the U.S. Army Field Band and the U.S. Military Academy Band at West Point.



Col. Holtan is a graduate of Bismarck (ND) High School, is a former school music educator, holds music education degrees from Montana State University and the University of Montana, and pursued doctoral studies at the University of North Texas. A clinician for Conn-Selmer, Director of the High School All-American D-Day Band, and Artistic Director of the Maryland Winds, a professional concert band, he is a strong advocate for music education, and is in demand as a guest conductor, clinician and adjudicator. Col. Holtan has presented concerts and clinics in all 50 states, Canada, Japan, the U.S. Virgin Islands and across Europe.

Col. Holtan's ensembles have been seen on many nationally televised broadcasts and diverse stages such as the Kennedy Center, Lincoln Center, DAR Constitution Hall, Mormon Tabernacle, Myerson Symphony Center, and Meyerhoff Symphony Hall, as well as for the 2017 Presidential Inaugural Concert at the Lincoln Memorial. Under his leadership and after a 44-year absence, the West Point Band reestablished a partnership with the New York Philharmonic, which resulted in five Lincoln Center joint concert performances. Col. Holtan also led the West Point Band in the Emmy-nominated "Marina at West Point" PBS production that has reached over 180 million viewers.

High School (9/10) Personnel

Flute

Serena Wang, Enloe High
Maggie Guo, West Forsyth High
Zoe Zhang, Chapel Hill High
Abigail Park, Green Level High
Rachel Lim, Green Level High
Liam Browne, East Chapel Hill High
Chloe Gerenraich, A.C. Reynolds High
Jasmine Zhu, Atkins High
Emilee Yoo, Green Hope High
Luna Toledo, Asheville High

Oboe

Riley Cornell, Metrolina Christian Academy Roman Mock, Enloe High

Bassoon

Ashley Buccola, Apex High Liam Levantis, Cuthbertson High

Clarinet

Jackson Vaughn, Seaforth High Sydney Asermely, Green Level High Jerry Cao-Xue, Enloe High Lily Shang, East Chapel Hill High Larry Liu, Green Level High Katie Huang, Green Level High Mickayla Belus, Mountain Island Charter

Oates Howe, Charlotte Country Day Mya Parlier, Brevard High Michae Wan, Chapel Hill High Siyu Liu, Cuthbertson High Giana Hasbun, Cuthbertson High Grace Fiedler, Porter Ridge High Steve Zhong, Cary Academy Emily Garman, Croatan High Zetta Anderson, Polk County High A.J Anthony, East Burke High Jenna Coker, Fayetteville Christian Miranda Pellicie, E.A. Laney High Aryaman Shukla, Atkins High

Bass Clarinet

Mason Crawford, Topsail High Riley Stuart, Cox Mill High Kendall Casper, North Brunswick High Nathan Verret, Queens Grant High

Contra Clarinet

Kelci Sheley, Havelock High

Alto Sax

Vincent Quaintance, Apex High Cameron Foster, Orange High Leah GadaMiddle, Croatan High Andrew DeMatos, T.C. Roberson High

Tenor Sax

Rory Martin, Smithfield-Selma High Shannan Costanza, Hickory Ridge High

Baritone Sax

Dylan Cooper, Currituck County High

Trumpet

Sophie Rosenbaum, Enloe High
Killian Hagis, Enloe High
Lydia Berger, Ronald Reagan High
Sadie Walker, Myers Park High
Faris Qadoura, Athens Drive High
Henry Candler, Asheville High
Mateo Carvajal, Broughton High
Junho Lee, Green Level High
Graham Hallquist, Chapel Hill High
Caroline Murray, Northern Nash High
Adam Dickerson, Jack Britt High
Matthew Hjorth, Atkins High

Horn

Ethan Harrell, Northern Nash High
Douglas Nitsche, Ronald Reagan High
Edward Zhang, Cox Mill High
Madelyn Banks, Enka High
Corinna Stoffler, Hickory Ridge High
Julianna Savage, East Henderson High
Vardhan Ramanathan, Atkins High
Jackson Meshaw, Cleveland High

Trombone

Reagan Henderson, Forbush High
Camden Rademakers, Apex Friendship
Lauryn Sawyer, Hickory Ridge High
Zoe Love, A.C. Reynolds High
Annabelle Harper, Panther Creek High
Carsten Macosko, Ronald Reagan High
Adam Wray, Carrboro High
Elliott Wise, Cox Mill High
Renee Buzzard, Freedom Christian
Academy

Euphonium

Kenzie Leighton, Fuquay-Varina High Jaxon Hicks, Enka High Paul Bailey, Atkins High Cooper Miller, Wakefield High

Tuba

Devin Seeley, Walkertown High Elijah Smith, Ravenscroft Michael Slock, Leesville Road High Andrew Granger, A.C. Reynolds High Nathaniel Evers, North Moore High Max Rattigan, Asheville High

String Bass

Carter Lindemuth, Holly Springs High

Percussion

Oliver Spiller, Durham School of the Arts

Destiny Howell, West Carteret High Stoneman Martin, Croatan High Asher Dodson, Atkins High

Mallet Percussion

Peyton Surridge, Newton-Conover High

Ellen Wei, Cox Mill High

Timpani

Sam Riddell, Asheville High

Alfred L. Watkins Conductor, Senior High School (11/12) Band

Alfred L. Watkins is Co-Founder, Musical Director and Conductor of the Cobb Wind Symphony, an all-adult community band in Marietta, GA. In 2013, he concluded his 37-year career as a high school band director, serving at Lassiter High School in Marietta, Georgia for 31 years and at Murphy High School for six years. Mr. Watkins is a 1976 graduate of Florida A&M University with additional study in Music Education and Conducting at Georgia State University. Concert bands under Watkins' direction have performed at the Midwest Band Clinic five times, six featured band performances at the Music for All National Concert Band Festival and four performances at the GMEA In-Service Conference. The Lassiter Percussion Ensemble has performed twice at the Midwest Clinic and once at Percussive Arts Society International Convention. The Lassiter Jazz Ensemble was twice selected as an Honorable Mention in the Essentially Ellington Jazz Band Competition (NYC) and the Lassiter Winter Color Guard was named the 1997 & 1998 Winter Guard International World Champions.



The Lassiter Marching Band was the 1998 and 2002 Bands of America (BOA) Grand National Champions and also won nine BOA Regional Championships. Under Watkins' leadership, the marching band won 115 of 125 marching band competitions entered. They also participated in four Pasadena Tournament of Roses Parades, three times in the Macy*s Thanksgiving Day Parade (NYC), twice in the King Orange Bowl Parade (FL) and once in the Florida Citrus Bowl Parade. During Watkins' Lassiter tenure, all four (or five) Lassiter concert bands received consecutive Superior Ratings from 1993 until his retirement in 2013, and for the last 23 years, the top two bands earning consistent superior ratings in Grade VI. Watkins has been a judge for Bands of America, DCI, concert bands, jazz bands and has served as a keynote speaker, clinician and lecturer throughout the country. He has conducted All-State Bands in 18 states and has conducted bands in 38 states.

Mr. Watkins has been selected as a member of the American Bandmasters Association, the Florida A & M University Gallery of Distinguished Alumni, the Georgia Chapter of the Phi Beta Mu Hall of Fame and the Bands of America Hall of Fame. Watkins received the Edwin Franko Goldman Award from ASBDA, and in December 2017, he was a recipient with the Midwest Clinic Medal of Honor. He has served as the Guest Conductor of the World Youth Wind Symphony at the Interlochen Arts Camp and has served as guest conductor of the United States Army Band "Pershing's Own" on the West Lawn at the U.S. Capitol, Washington, D.C. In 2018, Mr. Watkins was selected into the Inaugural Class as a "Midwest Clinic Legend" and currently serves on the Midwest Clinic Educational Advisory Committee. In 2018, he was the recipient of the Kappa Kappa Psi Honorary Band Fraternity's prestigious Distinguished Service to Music Medal and has recently been selected as the 2020 Phi Beta Mu International Band Director Fraternity International Bandmaster of the Year. He currently serves on the Board of Directors of the National Band Association and Drum Corps International. He has received 28 Certificates of Excellence from the National Band Association, the Sudler Order of Merit from the John Philip Sousa Foundation and the Band World Magazine Legion of Honor Award. Mr. Watkins is Co-Founder, Musical Director and Conductor of the Cobb Wind Symphony (1999), an all-adult community band based in the Metro Atlanta area, which has earned the Sudler Silver Scroll Award. CWS has performed three times at the Midwest Clinic, three times at the Southern Division Convention of the C.B.D.N.A./N.B.A., and four times at the GMEA In-Service Conference. Mr. Watkins is one of a few directors in America to have received the Sudler Flag of Honor for outstanding concert bands, the Sudler Shield for outstanding marching band and Sudler Shield for outstanding community band. In 2009 and 2010, two doctoral dissertations were accepted highlighting his life and his work with the Lassiter High School Band Program. Currently, Mr. Watkins is a Co-Founder and President of the Minority Band Director National Association, Inc., an organization charged to serve, promote, celebrate and mentor minority band directors throughout the country. He is currently an Educational Clinician for Conn-Selmer Corporation and Perform America, Inc. The \$1.5 million Alfred L. Watkins Band Building at Lassiter High School bears his name.

He and his wife for 38 years, Rita, live in Marietta, GA. They have two adult sons: Christopher, a trumpeter in the United States Army Band "Pershing's Own" in Washington, D.C. and Jonathan, a businessman in Atlanta, GA.

Senior High School (11/12) Personnel

Flute

Kate Sullivan, Cardinal Gibbons High Vinh Le, West Carteret High Hazel Marion, NCSSM Megan Norton, Ronald Reagan High Eden Ligon, Cedar Ridge High Jeffrey Wang, Enloe High Gianna Baker, Wake Forest High Bobby Severs, Atkins High Victoria Choi, NCSSM Rebecca Luzzi, West Stokes High Karis Huang, Ardrey Kell High

Oboe

Dylan Quinn, *Millbrook High* Yordan Mintz, *North Henderson High* Jane Hill, *Athens Drive High*

Bassoon

Joshua Trubinsky, Cuthbertson High Genie Alvarado, Charlotte Catholic High

Gracie Orange, Havelock High

Clarinet

Daniel Falcon Nacianceno, *Green Level High*

Claire Siegel, Athens Drive High Kevin Chen, East Chapel Hill High Justin Lee, Green Hope High Allen Yao, Green Hope High Lucy Ehmann, Durham School of the Arts

Caleb Healy, North Lincoln High
Diego Neira, R.S. Central High
Jillian Diaz, Union Academy
Ian Branigan, NCSSM
Chloe Chu, Enloe High
Chelsea Yu, Ardrey Kell High
Andrew Lee, Chapel Hill High
Jaysin Martyn, Asheboro High
Justin Ju, Atkins High
Liam Dunne, Chapel Hill
Garrett Sapp, Ronald Reagan High
Nathaniel Pope, Bunker Hill High
Will Kluttz, Providence High
Thomas Reid, Hickory Ridge High

Bass Clarinet

Nicholas Reid, Leesville Road High Kyle Hoffman, Cuthbertson High Carter Nichols, Person High Hannah Gilmore, Green Level High

Contra Clarinet

Henry Maclaga, Enloe High

Alto Sax

Sean McCoy, Enloe High Braden Gay, West Forsyth High Conor McHaney, Union Academy Anton Sun, Green Level High Matthew Stearns, Hickory Ridge High

Tenor Sax

Finley White, Orange High Lily Loughnane, Lake Norman High

Baritone Sax

Elizabeth Gale, Millbrook High

Trumpet

Patrick Donahue, Enloe High
Trevor Oldson, Millbrook High
Owen Forbes, Green Level High
Kahler McDonald, Oak Grove High
Eli Mathew, Lake Norman High
Scott McLeod, West Johnston High
Avery Smith, Green Hope High
Devin Sneed, Weddington High
Luke Scheponik, Northwest Guilford
High

Adah Morton, North Buncombe High Tyson Sessoms, Eastern Alamance High Collin Nguyen, Hickory Ridge High

Horn

Micajah Bullard, NCSSM
Micah Draper, Oak Grove High
Savanna Nelson, Jack Britt High
Ava Ramsey, East Chapel Hill High
Samantha Kuni, Apex Friendship High
Mary Stone, A.C. Reynolds High
Annabelle Singleton, Asheville High
Caroline Lanier, T.C. Roberson High

Trombone

Wesley Connor, Hickory Ridge High Angela Hu, Green Level High Charnold Xie, Green Hope High Ben Valliere, West Forsyth High Hector Jaramillo-Piedra, Smithfield-Selma High Lucas Holladay-Munoz, Atkins High Zara Tekmen, Enloe High Ryan Mullen, Page High Madeline Mabe, North Moore High

Euphonium

Caleb Langley, Cleveland High Sam Webster, Carrboro High Abhiram Dasari, Enloe High Brandon Lewis, South Brunswick High

Tuba

Jefferson Becquet, Western Harnett High

Trevor Long, Brevard High Rico Abelson, Heritage High Grayson McLean, Croatan High Jerry Bradley, South Point High Cole Groff, Leesville Road High

String Bass

Tyler Lau, Atkins High

Percussion

Pierce Ruch, Asheville High Nathan Zhang, Providence Day Eliza Shertzer, West Carteret High Aidan Beamish, Green Level High

Mallet Percussion

Caleb Sprouse, Cox Mill High Joshua Michael, Green Level High

Timpani

Evan Schmit, Myers Park High

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There will be a representative in the lobby of the auditorium to take orders for a video recording of today's concert.





North Carolina All-State Honor Bands

Sunday, April 30, 2023 1:00 PM

MIDDLE SCHOOL HONOR BAND

Program to be selected from:

Next Generation Fanfare

Halcyon Hearts

Down on the Delta

Scramble

El Zorro Rojo

Michael J. Miller

Katahj Copley

Carol Brittin Chambers

Todd Stalter

Randall Standridge

HIGH SCHOOL (9/10) HONOR BAND

Program to be selected from:

Steven Reineke

Celebration Fanfare

Frederick's Black Devils

Virginia Scenes

1. An Old Battlefield
2. Kayaking Down a River
3. 95

Only Light, Only Love

Skyline

Burning the Wicker Man

Paul Murtha

James Kazik

2. Kayaking Down a River

J. Paul Murtha

James Kazik

James Kazik

Frank Gulino

Julie Giroux

SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL (11/12) HONOR BAND

Program to be selected from:

American Salute Morton Gould, trans. Philip J. Lang
Of Our New Day Begun Omar Thomas
Only Light Aaron Perrine
Star Wars Trilogy John Williams, arr. Donald Hunsberger

1. Yoda's Theme 2. Princess Leia 3. Imperial March