

UNIVERSITY OF NORTH ALABAMA INVITATIONAL HONOR BAND

HIGH SCHOOL BANDS

Ms. REBECCA WARREN, PURPLE BAND
Ms. TIFFANY ELKINS, GOLD BAND

MIDDLE SCHOOL BANDS

Mr. RUSSELL THOMPSON, WHITE BAND
Ms. KAYLA SIMS, WHITE BAND

SATURDAY, APRIL 13, 2024
NORTON AUDITORIUM
11:00 A.M



College of ARTS, SCIENCES,
and ENGINEERING

University of NORTH ALABAMA

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PROGRAM TO BE SELECTED FROM THE FOLLOWING:

I. SIMS WHITE BAND

Rob Grice *Gentle River*

Richard L. Saucedo *Into the Clouds!*

Randall D. Standridge *Dominion*

Brian Balmages *Blue Ridge Reel*

II. THOMPSON WHITE BAND

Adrian B. Sims *Escape!*

Cait Nishimura *Into the Blue*

Carol Brittin Chambers *Byzantine Dances*

Randall Standridge *Blue Sky Horizon*

III. GOLD BAND

arr. Mark Williams *The Last Rose of Summer*

Travis J. Weller *Yankee Fanfare*

Rossano Galante *Mt. Everest*

arr. Andrew Boysen, Jr. *All the Pretty Little Horses*
Mvt. 2 from "Three Folk Song Settings for Band"

Greg Fhiaras *Synchronized Energy*

IV. PURPLE BAND

Robert W. Smith *Flying Fortress*
A Fanfare for Band

Richard L. Saucedo *Forever Holding Close the Memories*

Randall D. Standridge *Bazaar*

Jaques Offenbach *Galop*
arr. by John R. Bourgeois from Genevieve de Brabant (1859)

About the Conductors:

Rebecca Warren

Becky Rodgers Warren grew up in Decatur, Al. and graduated from Austin High School. She earned the Bachelors and Masters degrees from the University of North Alabama. She began teaching at Lynn High School followed by West Point High School. Her final 14 years in Alabama were at Ft. Payne High School. Her bands consistently received Superior ratings in concert, jazz and marching festivals. They performed and competed throughout the United States and London, England.

While in Alabama, Mrs. Warren was an active member of the music education profession serving as ABA Chairman for Districts 2 and 3, President-elect of the Alabama Bandmasters Association, and President of the Alabama Music Educators Association. While President of AMEA she founded *FAME- Future Alabama Music Educators* program for students interested in becoming music educators. Mrs. Warren has served as guest conductor throughout the southeast for various county and district honor bands as well as the University of North Alabama and the University of Alabama Honor Bands. She has served on the summer camp staffs at Troy University, Wallace College, and Auburn University. She conducted the 2021 Alabama All-State Middle School Band.

In 2008 she moved to Mandan, North Dakota where she continued teaching for 12 years. In North Dakota, she served as the West Region Band Representative to the Board of the NDMEA. Memberships include the North Dakota Music Educators Association, the Alabama Music Educators Association, the Alabama Bandmasters Association, the National Band Association, and Alabama Phi Beta Mu as well as the North Dakota Phi Beta Mu where she served as President of the Alpha Gamma Chapter. During her tenure as President, the Chapter began awarding an annual scholarship to a high school senior in pursuit of a degree in instrumental music education. She also began the project to commission new works of band literature by composers Rob Grice, Aaron Perrine, and Tyler Grant. She conducted the South Dakota Junior High All-State Band in 2022. She served as a guest conductor at the International Music Camp. She is the 2021 NDMEA Distinguished Service Award recipient.

Rebecca Warren retired in 2020 after serving 40 years as a Band Director. In 2021 she founded *Warren Music Consulting*. Three of her clinics have been presented at the Midwest Band and Orchestra Clinic. She has provided in-service and professional development sessions for music educators as well as B.L.T.- Band Leadership Training for students in North Dakota, South Dakota, Iowa, and Illinois. She continues to serve the band community and music educators in the hopes of “paying it forward” in ways that educators helped her throughout her career. She credits her success to Bill Brunner, director at Austin High School and Edd Jones, director at U.N.A.

She resides on the prairie of North Dakota with her husband John, a retired band director, and their Golden Retriever, Bama.

Tiffany Elkins

Originally from Tuscumbia, Alabama, Tiffany Elkins is the Director of Bands at East Central Community College in Decatur, MS. She leads the Wall O' Sound Marching Band, Concert Band, EC Jazz Band, and Basketball Pep Band. Ms. Elkins is also the choir director at Newton United Methodist Church in Newton, MS.

Ms. Elkins holds a Bachelor of Science in Instrumental Music and a Master of Arts in Instrumental Music Education from the University of North Alabama, as well as a Master of Music in Trumpet Performance from the University of Florida. She was awarded graduate assistantships with the UF Gator Marching Band and the UNA Marching Pride. While obtaining her master's at UNA, she assisted the trumpet studio as an adjunct

professor. She also performed regularly with the Shoals Symphony Orchestra and local bands, including the Edd Jones Orchestra and Shoals Area Big Band. She is an Alumnus of Tau Beta Sigma Honorary Band Sorority.

Ms. Elkins is an active trumpet player and frequently performs with community theater organizations. She has performed abroad during the Vienna Summer Music Festival in Vienna, Austria, and the Festival des Anches d'Azur in La Croix-Valmer, France. She also marched as a member of several drum and bugle corps, including Memphis Sound, Spirit of Atlanta, and Carolina Crown.

Ms. Elkins currently resides in Decatur, MS with her two dogs, Ada and Leo. She enjoys kayaking and musical theatre.

Russ Thompson

Russ Thompson currently serves as Assistant Band Director at Decatur High School in Decatur, Ga. At Decatur HS, his primary responsibilities include Concert Band, IB Music, assisting with the marching band, and teaching beginning band in the upper elementary schools. Outside of teaching, Russ serves as the Executive Director of Atlanta CV Drum and Bugle Corps and serves as Assistant Conductor of the Atlanta Concert Band in Sandy Springs, GA. From 2014-2018, Russ was the Director of Bands at Woodland High School – Henry County, GA where he led a 150 member program consisting of three concert ensembles, percussion ensemble, the Wolfpack Marching Band, two Southern Association of Performance Arts Winter Guard Ensembles, a SAPA/WGI circuit Indoor Percussion Ensemble, and taught AP Music Theory. Russ served as Assistant Director of Bands/Instructor of Music at Campbellsville University, in Campbellsville, KY from 2012-2014 where his primary responsibilities were assisting the Director of Bands in all administrative, programming, and recruiting areas of the CU Band program. His undergraduate teaching responsibilities included; Conducting, Secondary Instrumental Methods and Literature, Marching Band Techniques, and Understanding Music.

In 2012, Russ completed the Master's of Music in Wind Band Conducting at Georgia State University as a student of Dr. Robert Ambrose and holds a Master's in Education degree from Auburn University where he also served as a Graduate Assistant with the Auburn University Bands. From 2008-2010, he served as the Director of Bands at Duluth High School in Duluth, Georgia and began his teaching career as band director at Lauderdale County High School from 2005-2007.

Russ is a 2005 graduate of the University of North Alabama, earning a Bachelor's of Music in Music Education. In addition, he has attended conducting classes with Frank Ticheli, Mallory Thompson, H. Robert Reynolds, Alan McMurray, Jerry Junkin, Gary Green, Mark Scatterday, Kevin Sedatole, John Lynch and Jamie Nix. He is a member of Georgia Music Educators Association, NAFME, American School Band Directors Association, and the National Band Association. Russ was invited to present at the 2017 GMEA, 2017 AMEA In-Service Conferences and the 2018 MidWest Band and Orchestra Clinic.

Kayla Sims

Mrs. Kayla Sims is a native of Athens, Alabama. She graduated top of her class from the University of North Alabama in 2016 with a Bachelor's degree in Instrumental Music Education. After graduation, Mrs. Sims worked as an Assistant Band Director in the Morgan County school system before moving to Madison City Schools. Mrs. Sims is currently the Band Director at Liberty Middle School in Madison, Alabama where she has taught for the last six years. Mrs. Sims is a member of the National Association for Music Education as well as the Alabama Bandmasters Association.

About the UNA Bands

Membership in the UNA Bands is open to all UNA students with prior high school band experience. A student does not have to be a music major to participate. Almost 65% of the current band members are non-music majors and represent nearly every academic field on campus. The UNA Majorettes, Lionettes, and Color Guard are all members of the Band.

Band Performance Awards (scholarships) range from \$400-\$4000 per semester and are available to all members of the UNA Bands regardless of academic major. Students are encouraged to audition for a performance award prior to the beginning of the fall semester. Band Performance Awards are renewable throughout a student's academic career (4+ years), and students have the opportunity to audition for an award increase near the end of each spring semester. For more details, please visit the UNA Band website: www.una.edu/universitybands. Also, like us on Facebook for updates on concerts, tickets, and more.

**For more information on Band Performance Awards
or to schedule an audition, contact:**

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Personnel

Purple Band

Flute

Rachel Strong
Hope Jacobs
Joanna Reardon
Kate Shipman
Tatum Wallace
Makailah Winkler
Christina Underwood
Lauren Garrett

Clarinet

Aiden Foster
Logan Childers
Jenna Owens
Caleb Wortham
Maysen Spinks
Emili Sanchez
Dylan Cox
Andrew Meza-Tabares
Bennett Wessels
Meg Gautney
Walker Green
Abby Oliver
Savannah Hanson
Benjamin Wortham
Ailie Cunningham
Elizabeth Martin
Jayci Cloys

Oboe

Joseph Bishop
Riley Looney

Bass Clarinet

Annie Bernhard
Logan Gibbons
Annajane Burcham
Karmyn Parker

Contrabass Clarinet

Jessica Dorantes

Bassoon

Landis Price

Alto Sax

Keyshaun Jordan
Bethany Fuller
Benjamin Bondman
DJ Risner
Alyssa Bernat
Silas Waterman
Addie Mae Taylor
Gracie Thomas
Garrett Wagnon

Tenor Sax

Hudson Brown
Jackson Douglas

Bari Sax

Tucker Rhodes
Aidan Gonzalez

French Horn

Jackie Self
Niyen Shehan
Scarlett Whitehead
Shelby Mitchell
Olivia Holland

Trumpet

Ellen Head
Binhjamen "C.J." Diep
Blake Barnes
Jackson Painter
Jordan Cook
Caleb Bailey
Jacob Holland
Garrett Crowe
Analynn Bernat
Sydnee Lee
Juan Dominguez
Ricardo Lopez
Vallyn Frith
Evan Motsinger

Trombone

Danielle Meals
Kianna Thomas
Andrew Hubbert
Nathanael Wright
Jonah Khatib
Andrew Keith
Gabrielle Oliver

Baritone

Evan Woodfin
Nathalie Escoto
Jake Hernandez

Tuba

Gannon McNees
Lexi Young
Ethan Daniel
Brayden Earnest
Jadin Pierce

Abigail Watts
Hudson Bone

Percussion

Lilli Peck
Benjamin Marin
Samuel Branham
Wyatt Pillow
Sam Coggin
Juan Cacatzun
Juan Gomez

Gold Band**Flute**

Julie Reid
Mallory Natschke
Carein Candelaria
Mackenzie Borden
Kylie Hallman
Kaitlin Tuck
Madison Robins
Josslyn Gamble

Clarinet

Katie Beth Underwood
John Eaddy
Jonah Green
Mia Adair
Briley Weatherly
Harper Watts
Breanna Robinson
Sean Neeley

Kaylee Parrish
Courtney Lyons
Ella Grace Burbank
Elizabeth Forrest
David Edorh
Penelope Lane
Bella Mika
Henley Moore
Elaynah Cunningham

Oboe

Rosalyn Argueta

Bass Clarinet

Madelyn Lane
Madi Willis
Madison Richardson
Lilyana Jeffreys

Alto Saxophone

Nena Garrison
Konnor Kitchens
Andrew Levrett
Lara Freeland
Lillian Claxton
Sydney Dickerson
Italia Salazar
Genevieve King

Tenor Saxophone

Gracie Mestas
Lily Winnette

Bari Saxophone

Casey Bryant
Wiley Ritch

French Horn

Karley Geijer
Connor Campbell
Keira Horwath
Aisley Benner
Harper Wallace
Layla Barrier

Trumpet

Darby Blansett
Caleb Kirkpatrick
Carroline Baker
Victoria Padilla
Zachary Farr
Logan Pettus
Makenna Shaffer

Lilly Huckaba
Dakota Guthrie
Sadie Doyle
Turner Grace King
Aiden David
Thomas Penny
David Perryman
Daisy Kelly-Bulecza
Anniston Barnett

Trombone

Jordan Earnest
Sophia Steadman
Shanna Sowell
Emma Davis
Brett Gauvin
Kadi Prance
Ashlynn Hilley
Mia Cody

Baritone

Bailee Whitworth
Tori Ulloa
Brady Popwell

Tuba

Jazlyn Phillips
Jacob Rainey
Cole Smith
Aiden Faulkner
Emily Sink
Andrew Luna
Braxton Dickerson
Gabe Frederick

Percussion

Vicente Hernandez
Laura Mize
Grant Banks
Tyler Lanier
Dawson Wright
Cason King
Levi Wint
Sydney Biernesser
Madison Walker

Thompson White Band

Flute

Sadie Quinn
Lily Kate Cox
Kymori Whitehurst
Sophia Marino
Fallon Huckaba
Autumn Stearns
Fernanda Ulloa
Mikayla Coppock
Abbigale Newsom

Clarinet

Hannah Jane Richardson
Ryleigh Wolfe
Layken Sheppard
Miranda Willingham
Sara Bryn Chambers
Delilah Phillips
Chloie Clark
Abygail Moore
Gracie Mae Walley
Kalei Garrison
Brooklyn May
Tripp Miller
Landon Jaramillo

Bass Clarinet

Allie Delaney
Kendal Franks

Contrabass Clarinet

Lilly Pate

Alto Saxophone

Morgan Spinks
Mollie Garey
Anna Teeples
Ryleigh Wilder
Ethan Pendergrast
Ellie Dyer
Collyn Taylor

Tenor Saxophone

Gentry Bilyeu
Maddox Shelton

Bari Saxophone

Charlie Moore

French Horn

Walt Jones
Sabrina Cornelius
Jazmine Garcia

Trumpet

James Wasserburger
Hunter Weeks
Cyprien Gauthier
Eli Jennings
James Lewey
Davis Getter
MaKaila Brown
Ava Walker
Chloe Welborn
Marley Wills
Xander Fuson
Waylon berryhill
Katheryn Ingle
Matthew Mederos
Aiden Brown

Trombone

Lawson Ledbetter
Holleigh McIngvale
Braxton Wood
Richard Parsons
Carson Joiner
Madison Zeng
Parker Weir
Bryson Bullard
Drew Hobbs
Knox Mitchell

Baritone

Addison Dickinson
Nick Barnett
Eli Wint

Tuba

Kane Banks
Cameron Harrison
Anabella Hyde
Raeleigh Tyler

Percussion

Hugh Jones
Grant Thomas
Charles Zalamea
Josiah Valentin
Sofia Salazar
Mason Barnhill
Brody Gibson

Sims White Band

Flute

Phoebe Chambless
Jayden Dillingham
Amberly Lenox
Emma Green
Rebecca Gautreaux
Kara Beth Farr
Maylie Clark
Annabelle Lane

Clarinet

Anna Jimerson
Cali Smith
Sophie Ellenburg
Nathalia Abarca
Sara Teeples
Justice Bowen
Addie Terry
Avery Walters
Kalea Willis
Zoe Chieffo
Anthony Meza-Tabares
Leah Roberts
Xylee James

Bass Clarinet

Sebastian Baltazar

Alto Sax

Whitney Chesser
Salem Aldridge
Zoey Olive
Samantha Candelaria
Lacie Ware
Trevor Pipkins

Tenor Saxophone

David Price
Daniele Brewer

Bari Saxophone

Lillian Trana

French Horn

Ila Hardin
Ella Putman

Trumpet

Matthew Thompson
Piper Ellenburg
Brantley Gatlin
Kingston Kirk
Lois Biggers
Levi Ferguson
Lucy Collier
Trevor Keith
Sydney Davis
Charlotte Hardy
Joseph Forrest
Abigail Scroggins
Erica Abend
Gage Phillips
Christian Peterson

Trombone

Haidyn Watson
Tessa Udas
Miley Woodard
Payton Lee
Carlee Weeks
Benjamyn Byrd
Camden Abernathy
Ian Ramos
Nick Williams

Baritone

Bristol McVay
Catelynn Williams
Edward Parsons

Tuba

Tyler Shires
Taniyah Byrd
Mason Martin

Percussion

Everett Robison
Calvin Mcgee
Katelyn Harden
Joseph Pruett
Molly Fruchtnicht
River Bailey
Dylan Raburn
Zainab Dogar
Lee Cantrell