



The 29th Annual

CONNECTICUT ASBDA

*High School Honor Band Festival
2024*

Francis T. Maloney High School

Connecticut Chapter of the American School Band Directors' Association

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2024 CONNECTICUT ASBDA OFFICERS

FESTIVAL PERSONNEL

CT ASBDA OFFICER

Wayne Splettstoesz **State Chair**

Jeffrey Ventres – **Symphonic Band Chair**

Philip Giampietro – **Wind Ensemble Chair**

Brian Cyr – **Site Chair**

DR. JUSTIN MCMANUS – SYMPHONIC BAND

Dr. Justin McManus (he/him) is director of athletic bands, assistant director of wind bands, and assistant professor of music at the University of Connecticut. Dr. McManus directs and oversees the 300+ member “Pride of Connecticut” Marching Band, basketball and hockey pep bands, conducts the university Concert Band, and teaches a course in leadership development. Originally from Torrington, CT, Dr. McManus holds undergraduate and master’s degrees in music performance and music education from the University of Connecticut, and a doctorate in music education from the Boston University School of Music.

Prior to assuming his role at UConn, Dr. McManus served as assistant director of university bands at the University of Notre Dame where he assisted with the “Band of the Fighting Irish” Marching Band, directed the basketball band, conducted three wind bands, and taught a course in instrumental methods. During his time at ND, Dr. McManus frequently served as a clinician and adjudicator, serving as one of two panelists for the New Zealand National Concert Band Association Festival and directing wind bands in nine countries. In Connecticut, Dr. McManus has conducted the Laurel Music Camp Symphonic Band, Quinebaug Valley Music Festival Honor Band, and has had the pleasure of working with several band programs across the state.

Dr. McManus is a member of the College Band Directors National Association, National Association for Music Education, and Connecticut Music Educators Association.

THE 2024 SYMPHONIC BAND

PROGRAM

CELEBRATION FANFARE..... PINKZEBRA

UNIQUELY YOU..... ADRIAN SIMS

WITH PLEASURE..... JOHN PHILIP SOUSA

CONDUCTED BY: DR. JUSTIN MCMANUS

AARON S. BURGESS – WIND ENSEMBLE

Aaron S. Burgess is a dynamic conductor and music educator with close ties to the public school, collegiate and community music arenas. He is director of bands at Southern Cayuga Central School District in Aurora, NY, artistic director of the acclaimed Ithaca College Trombone Troupe, assistant conductor of the Ithaca Community Orchestra, and conductor of the Ithaca New Music Collective. His work in recent years also includes an appointment in the Trumansburg (NY) Central School District, conductor of the Ithaca College Symphonic Band, Director of Bands at Edwin O. Smith High School (Storrs, CT), adjunct faculty (music) at the University of Connecticut, Director of Bands at Rocky Hill High School (CT), and conductor of the Connecticut Wind Ensemble. Burgess has collaborated from the podium with many artists and composers including Peter Steiner (touring trombonist), Timothy Smith (Buffalo Philharmonic), Greg Case (USCG Band), Louis Hanzlik (American Brass Quintet), and Barbara Hopkins (Hartford Symphony), and composers Dana Wilson, Kenneth Fuchs, Jess Langston Turner, Eric Ewazen, and Lewis J. Buckley. He has commissioned and premiered new works for winds and percussion and guest conducted numerous ensembles and honor bands. He holds a Master of Music in wind conducting from Ithaca college and a Bachelor of Arts in Music and a Bachelor of Science in Education from the University of Connecticut.

THE 2024 ASBDA WIND ENSEMBLE

PROGRAM

REMINISCENCE.....	KATHRYN SALFELDER
ORIGIN.....	CAIT NISHIMURA
CHORALE AND SHAKER DANCE.....	JOHN P. ZDECHLIK
MARCH TUMBAO.....	JAMES M. DAVID

CONDUCTED BY: AARON S. BURGESS

THE 2024 ASBDA YOUNG COMPOSTERS COMPETITION



HIGH SCHOOL DIVISION WINNER

"BEYOND" FOR SYMPHONIC BAND BY QUINN MCLENNAN
BROOKFIELD HIGH SCHOOL

INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DIVISION WINNER

"DROWNING IN MUSIC" FOR FLUTE QUARTET BY FINNEGAN CARLEY
CANTON INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL

THE 2024 ASBDA WIND ENSEMBLE

2024 Connecticut American School Band Directors Association Wind Ensemble

Aaron Burgess - Director



Flute

Sarah Kim
Vaishnavi Chinta
Ayoni Chakraborty

Oboe

Ludovit Pauliny
Natalie Groves

Bassoon

Liviana Knudsen
Kevin Reas

Clarinet

Giovanni Assunto
Jean Lee
Rae Coombs
Dahlia Alexander
Madeleine Enos
Madeline Leventhal
Natalie Obuchowski
Anna Hansard

Bass Clarinet

Leah Jackson

Alto Saxophone

Edward Shoneck
Cole Webster

Tenor Saxophone

Jake Sauer
Samuel Rondon

Baritone Saxophone

Quinn Knox

Trumpet

Joseph Coombs
Benjamin Johnson
Max Vickerelli
Amber Van Alstyne
Adam Kozlowski
Zachary Grodzicki

French Horn

Evan Lionberger
Isabella Minja
Evan Cardona-Ramos
Mace Beckius

Trombone

Parker Hodgman
Bradley Crocker
Carl Zapatka
Caeden Fabas

Euphonium

Matthew Jake Mandac
Audrena Downing

Tuba

Matthew Rozzi
Harsh Bhagat

Percussion

Nathan Ben Ari
Aidan Colaianne
Justin Hoang
Jake LaChance
Zachary Newshel
Gretchen Perreault
Jason Robinson

String Bass

Mason Backus

THE 2024 ASBDA SYMPHONIC BAND



2024 Connecticut American School Band Directors Association Symphonic Band

Dr. Justin McManus - Director

Flute/Piccolo

Paolo Abrantes
Ruth Smith

Flute

Charlie Dunlap
Sarai Jones
Yu Qian Lin
Charlie Lisac
Summer Mangan
Jill Quinto
Gabriella Rosado
Ye Ahn Sohn
Grace Velardi

Oboe

Rowyn Ferriera
Marya Lane

Bassoon

Evo Espiritusanto
Isabella Oakley

Clarinet

Robert Allison
Lily Artruc
Katherine Belding
Ceciley Buckley
Grayson Collins
Mabel Cook
Aurora Correll
David Cottle
Meghan Horan
Alicia Huang
Aarav Nadgouda
Jackson Storey
Rashmi Vobhilisetty
Olivia Webster
Caterina Wilson
Carolina Yoo

Bass Clarinet

Dominic Clark
June Darcey

Alto Saxophone

Celia Izzo
Lilian O'Neil
Chloe Shearer
Drea Simler
Scott Spooner
Kylie Stapleton

Tenor Saxophone

Maggie Coffey
Logan Dambach
Luke Wikstrom
Ty Zemba

Baritone Saxophone

Nathan Dos Santos
Andrew Liu

Trumpet

Brenden Bush
Benjamin Buyniski
Casey Doyle
Jonah Erazo
Nicholas Fabrizio
Kendall Guest
Olivia Jackson
Gargi Karve
Amanda Loscialpo
Luke Morrisette
Julian Randall
Aiden Ricci
Thomas Riley
George Stula
Andrew Tabol
Conner Walker

French Horn

Sydney Churchill
Nathan DeJackome
Malena Downing
Mary Gahn
Charlotte Galarneau
Katherine Greden
Lucas Mainville
Zayna Saidi

Trombone

Jasmine Allen-Sengupta
Reese Coffey
John Fink
Samuel Le
Oliver Melmed
Jillian Meurs
Christopher Miller
Carter Shearer
Eva Tartamella

Euphonium

Sophia Lee
Domonic Salz
Gabriel Tuninsky
Brendan Keskula

Tuba

Gavin Farnsworth
James Midgley
Leland Oxendine
Fletcher Steimer
Azita Vazhayil
Justin Verrastro

String Bass

Damian Brown

Percussion

Jack Erickson
Tristan Flertek
Rowan Fisher
Parker Kristhoffer
Joseph Lahav
Daphne Liss
Jillian Roderick
Elijah Spikes
Levi Swanson