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BETH FABRIZIO

Beth A. Fabrizio holds a Bachelor of Music from the Eastman School of Music in Clarinet Performance and a Master of Music in Conducting, Education and Performance from Ithaca College. She has studied conducting with Rodney Winther and Dr. Donald Hunsberger and Clarinet with Michael Webster, Richard Waller, Stanley Hasty, William Osseck, Carmine Campione and performed in master classes with Richard Stoltzman.

Ms. Fabrizio maintains a private clarinet studio with numerous students pursuing careers in music education, therapy, recording and performance. She herself performed as the principal clarinetist and personnel manager with The Greater Rochester Music Educators Wind Ensemble, and former Eb clarinet with The Perinton Concert Band. Beth is a freelance performer and is an active artist/clinician for The D'Addario Corporation and educational clinician with the Conn-Selmer Corporation. She has just recently retired after 36 years as a public-school educator, and most recently from The Hilton Central School District as a director of Bands at Village Elementary. Beth is also presenting educational clinics and workshops thru Fabrizio's Musical Concepts. Ms. Fabrizio is a charter member of the 2022 Chi Chapter in New York State of Phi Beta Mu Fraternity and its current President.

Ms. Fabrizio has conducted various honor bands and given master classes and clinics across the United States, Europe and Asia. She has taught marching bands and drum and bugle corps for over thirty years. Ms. Fabrizio has been the brass caption head with The Carolina Crown Drum and Bugle Corps, brass coordinator with The Pride of Soka from Tokyo, Japan, brass staff with Boston Crusaders, The Glassmen and Spirit of Atlanta. Beth adjudicates for DCI, WGI, BOA and numerous other state associations.

DR. ANDY POOR

Andrew F. Poor, DME, is Director of Bands at South Forsyth Middle School in Cumming, Georgia. From 2006-2015, Dr. Poor served as a part-time music education instructor at Columbus State University in the Schwob School of Music. Dr. Poor received his DME and MM in Trumpet Performance from the University of Cincinnati College-Conservatory of Music. He also holds the BME (High Honors) from the University of Florida. Dr. Poor is a member of Phi Beta Mu International Bandmasters Fraternity, Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia, ASCAP, NAfME, National Band Association, and GMEA. Dr. Poor has been the recipient of numerous honors, notably, the 2016 Forsyth County System-Wide Teacher of the Year.



His ensembles have given numerous invitational performances, including, the 17th International Cultural Festival in Tottori, Japan, and additional performances at the Southeastern United States Honor Band and Clinic, University of Georgia MidFest, GMEA State ISC, University of Alabama MS Honor Band, National Band and Orchestra Festival-Carnegie Hall, CBDNA/NBA Southern Division Regional Conference, and the Music for All National Festival. Dr. Poor has been the recipient of the NBA Citation of Excellence on eight occasions.

Dr. Poor is frequently invited to serve as a consultant, adjudicator, clinician, and guest conductor. He has presented at the Midwest Clinic, Ohio Music Educators Association State Conference, Florida Music Educators Association State Conference, and seven times at the Georgia Music Educators Association State In-Service Conference. Active in the drum and bugle corps activity, Dr. Poor is brass arranger and consultant at Music City drum and bugle corps, and has served on the brass staff of the Spirit of Atlanta, Blue Stars, Phantom Regiment, and as a consultant to Pacific Crest. Prior to teaching drum corps, he enjoyed a successful eighteen-year career as an adjudicator for Drum Corps International.

DR. JENNIFER LAMBERT



Jennifer Compton Lambert has been Director of Bands at River Trail Middle School in Johns Creek, Georgia, since 2007. Under her direction, the River Trail Bands consistently earn superior ratings at Large Group Performance Evaluations. Moreover, the River Trail Symphonic Band has appeared as a guest performing ensemble at the 2010, 2019, and 2024 Georgia Music Educators In-Service Conference, the 2011 and 202 3 University of Georgia Middle School Band Festival, the 2018 Reinhardt University Middle School Honor Band Clinic and the 2013 Music for All National Concert Band Festival in Indianapolis, Indiana. The Symphonic Band was also a recipient of the Exemplary Performance Award in 2011 and 2018.

Dr. Lambert is the founder and Musical Director of Quintet Envy, an ensemble based at Northview High School and includes former River Trail Middle School clarinetists. The group founded in 2021, has performed at the 2023 Georgia Music Educators In-Service Conference and the 2024 Music for All National Chamber Music Festival.

Dr. Lambert received her Bachelor of Music Education in 2002 from Berry College, where she studied trumpet with Dr. William Robison. In 2007, she completed her Master of Music Education and in 2016 received her Doctor of Education from the University of Georgia. She began her teaching career in 2003 as the Assistant Director of Bands at Woodstock High School, Woodstock, Georgia.

Her professional affiliations include the National Association for Music Education, Georgia Music Educators Association, National Band Association, Phi Beta Mu, International Trumpet Guild, Sigma Alpha Iota, and Omicron Delta Kappa. Additionally, having been awarded the Citation of Excellence from the National Band Association in 2010, 2012, 2019, 2023 and 2024 for her contributions to music education, Dr. Lambert serves as a guest clinician and conductor throughout the Southeast. She was also chosen as the Georgia Music Educators Association's District V Music Educator of the Year and River Trail Middle School's Teacher of the Year for 2023-24.

Dr. Lambert resides in Cumming, Georgia, with her husband and children.

SUSAN WATERS

A native of Nashville, Tennessee Susan Waters held a career of 30+ years of Instrumental Music Education and is was the Director of Bands at Oliver Middle School in Nashville, Tennessee. She is a graduate of Middle Tennessee State University and Western Kentucky University and her professional affiliations include: TnMEA, TBA, ASBDA, NAfME, and Phi Beta Mu, MTSBOA where she currently serves as Executive Secretary. The Oliver Band Program is in its 26th year of existence and has grown from 7 band students opening day to over 400 students which represents over 40% of the overall school population.



During her time as director, the Oliver Band Program received nothing less than superior ratings at every regional, state and national concert festivals in which they have performed. They are a fourteen-time recipient of the Tennessee Bandmasters Association Sweepstakes Award. The Oliver Band program has been selected to present a concert at the TnMEA Conference 3 times. In 2012/2018 the Wind Ensemble performed for the CBDNA/NBA Conference. Her Bands have received national recognition hosting several composers and top educators in professional development, clinic and concert settings. The national publication "School Band and Orchestra" published their 10th Anniversary edition in July 2008 with an article entitled "Making Band the Thing to Do" profiling her successful teaching practices, and the key to her highly successful Oliver Band Program.

In 2010, she presented at the Mid-West Clinic: "Herding Cats" A Guide to Classroom Management in the Middle School Band Room. She is frequently hired as a PD clinician and guest conductor across the US and has been awarded the NBA's Citation of Excellence three times. In addition to her responsibilities as Director of Bands at Oliver, she serves as content lead for the district and a "side by side" coach for young and emerging band directors. She has been recognized by the CMA as a Teacher of Excellence 3 times.

CONCERT PROGRAM

LAKESIDE RAIDER BAND

KAYLA YOST

PROJECT MARCH......BENNETT, ARR. CLARK
ABOVE AND BEYOND......JAMES SWEARINGEN
DARK ADVENTURE......RALPH FORD

Lakeside has earned Superiors the last two years at Concert Performance Assessment. Lakeside has students regularly participate in SCBDA Region Bands, All-State, and Solo & Ensemble since its opening in 2023.

POWDERSVILLE MIDDLE SCHOOL CONCERT BAND

CHRIS MITCHELL

SOUTHAMPTON MARCH	ROBERT SHELDON
FIRE DANCE	DAVID SHAFFER
HOPAK!	WILLIAM OWENS

The Powdersville Band celebrates a tradition of excellence with members consistently represented in the Region 1 Honor Band as well as the South Carolina All-State Band. This year, the program earned 2 Superior ratings at Jazz Performance Assessment, and a Superior with Distinction in Class III at Concert Performance Assessment. In addition to concert band, the members of this ensemble also comprise the Powdersville Jazz Ensemble, Woodwind ensemble, Brass Choir, and percussion ensemble. We are incredibly proud for this opportunity to perform for you, and look forward to your comments.

DUTCH FORK 8TH GRADE SYMPHONIC BAND

ALYSSA HALEY AND BENNETT DONOVAN

LOS BANDITOS.......QUINCY HILLIARD
BYZANTINE DANCES......CAROL BRITTIN CHAMBERS
SHACKELFORD BANKS.....JAY BOCOOK

The Dutch Fork Middle School band consistently receives the SCBDA Outstanding Performance Award, receives superior ratings at both CPA and Carowinds Music Festival, and has students participate in region and All-State band

SPAULDING MIDDLE SCHOOL CONCERT BAND

HAMADI ALEXANDER

DARKLANDS MARCH	RANDALL STANDRIDGE
FLAGSHIP	JOHN PASTERNAK
OVERTURE ON A HYMN TUNE	JOHNNIE VINSON

Countless students were selected for the Region Band over the past 4 years. 3 Excellent ratings and one Superior with Distinction at Concert Performance Assessment. 1 Excellent rating at Jazz Festival. Well know middle school hype band called The SMS Hype Band.

CHAPIN MIDDLE SCHOOL CONCERT BAND

MARIA MANAEVA

INFINITY (CONCERT MARCH)	JAMES CURNOW
ANCIENT VOICES	MICHAEL SWEENEY
FLASHPOINT	TYLER ARCARI

The Chapin Middle School Band program is recognized for its longstanding tradition of excellence and success. The program has consistently earned superior ratings at the South Carolina Band Directors Association (SCBDA) Concert Performance Assessment and Solo and Ensemble Festival. Numerous students have achieved placement in Region and All-State Bands, reflecting the high caliber of musical instruction and student dedication. Most recently, the program was honored with a featured performance at the South Carolina Music Educators Association (SCMEA) Professional Development Conference in Columbia, SC.

SANDHILLS MIDDLE SCHOOL GOLD BAND

CHRISTINA J. RANDALL & JUDAH RENDELMAN

ABOVE AND BEYOND	JAMES SWEARINGEN
LOOKING UP!	ROBERT SHELDON
NIGHT FURY	CAROL BRITTIN CHAMBERS

The Sandhills Middle School Band program has a proud tradition of excellence, consistently earning superior and excellent ratings over the years. The band and it's musicians have regularly received top honors at district and state-level events, including SCBDA Concert Performance Assessment, the Festival of Music program at Carowinds and Solo & Ensemble Festival. Many students have been selected for prestigious honor bands such as the SCBDA Region and All-State bands, the University of Georgia MidFest Honor Band Clinic and the Limestone University Middle School Honor Band Clinic, reflecting the program's dedication to developing young musicians.

BLUE RIDGE MIDDLE SCHOOL 8TH GRADE HONOR BAND

KRISTIN GILL

DARKLANDS MARCH	RANDALL STANDRIDGE
FLAGSHIP	JOHN PASTERNAK
OVERTURE ON A HYMN TUNE	JOHNNIE VINSON

The Blue Ridge Middle School Band maintains a long tradition of excellence. Over the past 10 years, the Blue Ridge Middle Bands have received numerous awards such as superior and excellent ratings at the Carowinds Festival of Music, Dollywood Trills and Thrills Festival, and the SC Concert Performance Assessment. The band has also received Superior with Distinction ratings at the SC Concert Performance Assessment in 2015, 2018, and 2025. Numerous individual students have had the privilege of representing BRMS at the county, region, and state level by earning seats in the Greenville All County Band, SC Region 1 Band, and SC All State Band. The Blue Ridge Middle School Band is a 2022-2023 recipient of the SC Outstanding Performance Award.

JOHN W. MOORE WIND ENSEMBLE

RICHARD HYMAN

INFINITY (CONCERT MARCH)	JAMES CURNOW
ANCIENT VOICES	MICHAEL SWEENEY
FLASHPOINT	TYLER ARCARI

This marks both the third "Superior with Distinction" at Concert Performance Assessment, and the program's third "Outstanding Performance Award" in a row.

OAKBROOK MIDDLE SCHOOL 8TH GRADE BAND

NATHAN WOODS & MARLIN KETTER

10 - Students Selected for the Region 4 Honor/Concert Bands
Superior Rating - Jazz Performance Assessment
Excellent Rating - 7th Grade Band
Superior with Distinction - 8th Grade Band

SNEED MIDDLE SCHOOL HONOR BAND

MATTHEW L. CARL

Carowinds Music Festival, Charlotte, NC - Beginning Band - Superior Rating Southern Star Music Festival, Atlanta, GA - Gold Award and Sweepstakes Winner SCBDA Jazz Performance Assessment - Superior SCBDA Concert Performance Assessment - Honor Band - Superior w/ Distinction SCBDA Outstanding Performance Award

SEDGEFIELD MIDDLE SYMPHONIC BAND

CHARLES FLETCHER

TRITON FANFARE	ROBERT W. SMITH
ANCIENT MOON	ELLIOT DEL BORGO
KNIGHTS OF DESTINY	MICHAEL SWEENEY

Three students were selected for the BCSD Beginner Honor Band, six for the BCSD Junior Honor Band, and ten for the BCSD Junior Concert Band. Additionally, two students were selected for the SCBDA Region 5 Junior Band. The Sedgefield Symphonic Band received a Superior with Distinction rating at the SCBDA Concert Performance Assessment. The Sedgefield Jazz Ensemble also earned a Superior rating at the BCSD Jazz Performance Assessment.

LAING MIDDLE SCHOOL SYMPHONIC BAND

ADAM VERNON-YOUNG & JUSTIN CLARKSON

WALTZ NO. 2	SHOSTAKOVICH, ARR. CURNOW
PASSAGES	MICHAEL SWEENEY
THE COUNTRY CLUB STOMP!	JAROD HALL

Consistent SCBDA OPA Recipient, Consistent Superior Ratings at CPA and other festivals 35 2025 All-Region Band Participants, 8 2025 All-State Band Participants, 2024 SCMEA Conference Featured Performing Ensemble

D.R. HILL MIDDLE SCHOOL SYMPHONIC BAND

THOMAS COTTER, LORI LYNNE ROBINSON

WHITE ROSE CITY MARCH	BOB COTTER
ON A HYMNSONG OF PHILIP BLISS	DAVID HOLSINGER
DANSE CARNIVALE	RANDALL STANDRIDGE

2025 SCMEA Featured Performing Ensemble, 2025 SC Concert Performance Assessment Superior "With Distinction", 2025 State Concert Festival Participant, 2025 SC Outstanding Performance Award

CARIO MIDDLE SYMPHONIC BAND

CHRISTIAN GORDON, KALYN TODD

ARIA DI CHIESA "PIETÁ SIGNORE"	STRADELLA ARR. FRASCHILLO
CORSICAN LITANY	VACLAV NELHYBEL
FLOURISH FOR WIND BAND	R. VAUGHN WILLIAMS

Cario Bands have received exclusively Superior ratings at state, regional and national competitions since 1989. Cario Bands has also received the SCBDA's Outstanding Performance Award every year since 1989.