



**Professional  
Development  
Conference  
2015**

*Crowne Plaza Executive Center  
Baton Rouge, Louisiana  
November 19-23, 2015*

**Monday, November 23, 2015  
2:10 p.m.**

**Louisiana All-State  
Concert Band  
2015**

**Jeff Cannon  
Conductor**

*The mission of the Louisiana Music Educators Association is to provide leadership, professional development, and support for its membership to ensure quality music education.*

## 2015 LOUISIANA ALL-STATE CONCERT BAND

### Flute

Merritt Jones\*  
Arthur Odenheimer\*  
Courtney Falgout  
Yuzhi Wang\*  
Scott Ng\*  
Kate Roy\*  
Nicole Lanthier\*  
Kendall Vining\*  
Rebekah Travis \*

Sam Houston  
Barbe  
Central Lafourche  
Ben Franklin  
Haynes Academy  
Lafayette  
Sulphur  
Ponchatoula  
Ben Franklin

### Oboe

Mary Lo\*  
Hailey Louque\*

E. D. White Catholic  
East Ascension

### Bassoon

Abigail Guidry\*  
Christian Hairr\*

Carencro  
Sulphur

### Clarinet

Brandon Gordon  
Daniel Rockwell\*  
Caleb Wright\*  
Megan Raxsdale  
Olivia Cadiere  
Katie Monette  
Nathan Seward\*  
Logan Lambert\*  
Noah Ferrell  
Catherine Rockwell\*  
Taylor Mayeaux  
Laurel Chambers\*  
Madison Prattini\*  
Taylor Sparacello\*  
Roman Corripio

East Ascension  
Mandeville  
Parkway  
Lafayette  
Central Lafourche  
LSMSA  
West Monroe  
Haynes Academy  
Parkway  
Mandeville  
Lafayette  
Benton  
Slidell  
Archbishop Rummel  
Catholic

### Bass Clarinet

Harry Hooker\*  
Erin Templet\*  
Ruth Elias  
Michael Nwokorie\*  
Maria Ledet

DeRidder  
Assumption  
Parkway  
East Ascension  
South Lafourche

### Contrabass Clarinet

Jessica Edmonson\*

Tioga

### Alto Saxophone

Rebecca Badon\*  
Joshua Huff\*  
Thomas Odenheimer\*  
Brian Long\*  
Jenna Schmidt\*  
Robert Fahey

St. Amant  
Tioga  
Barbe  
Catholic  
Northshore  
Mandeville

### Tenor Saxophone

Adam Ortego\*  
Sean Methvin

Lafayette  
Catholic

### Baritone Saxophone

Molly Bahlinger\*

Mandeville

### Trumpet

Christopher Vuong  
Brandon Wood  
Darius Rawls  
Connor Fisk\*  
Lane Clevenger  
Charles Hooper\*  
Aaron Mire\*  
Brandon White  
Shalin Bhatt\*  
Robert Cobden\*

Jesuit  
Hahnville  
Parkway  
Destrehan  
Franklinton  
Ponchatoula  
Acadiana  
Lafayette  
Mandeville  
Dutchtown

### French Horn

Hannah Heyl\*  
Adeline Martin\*  
Renee Babin\*  
Mark Porter\*  
Joshua Straub  
Maiah Griffin

Destrehan  
South Terrebonne  
Haynes Academy  
Slidell  
Parkway  
Thibodaux

### Trombone

Ryan Ehrlicher\*  
Cole Thibodaux  
Madison Miller  
Aaron Loupe  
Chance Breaux  
Hunter Armand  
Trevor Moosa\*  
Caleb Coleman\*

Mandeville  
Central Lafourche  
Benton  
Central Lafourche  
Barbe  
East Ascension  
Comeaux  
Airline

### Bass Trombone

Rene' Leonard\*

E. D. White Catholic

### Baritone

Olivia Gillen  
Mandilyn Hutchinson\*  
Zachary Bergin\*  
Lauren Lewellyan\*  
Jonathan Moore\*

Covington  
Thibodaux  
Walker  
West Monroe  
Central Lafourche

### Tuba

Christian Noto  
Jensen Granier\*  
Ashton Theodore  
Cody Revere  
Nicholas McNight  
Bryce Ledet\*

Walker  
Denham Springs  
Tioga  
Covington  
Slidell  
Central Lafourche

### Percussion

Ryan Bourque\*  
Andrew Funderburk  
Bobby Demourelle  
Dominique Lousteau\*  
Avery Guidry  
Joshua Ingles  
Autumn Andras\*  
Scott Young  
Jillian Edmonson

East Ascension  
West Monroe  
East Ascension  
Brother Martin  
Lafayette  
Franklinton  
Central Lafourche  
Ouachita Parish  
Baton Rouge

### \*Academic Excellence\*

The Louisiana Music Educators Association gives additional recognition to All State members in grades 10-12 who have attained academic excellence. A student must have a cumulative grade point average of 3.5 or higher to qualify for this honor. Recipients of this honor are designated by an asterisk in this program and will receive a certificate. Eleventh and twelfth graders also receive a medal. These awards are sponsored by Mr. John W. Kelley and Swicegood Music Company of Louisiana.

## CONCERT PROGRAM

*Program to be selected from the following*

*Esprit di Corps*  
*Hounds of Spring*  
*Ave Maria*  
*Sleigh Ride*

*Robert Jager*  
*Alfred Reed*  
*Franz Biebl*  
*Leroy Anderson*

### **Jeff Cannon**

Conductor

2015 Louisiana All-State Concert Band

William “Jeff” Cannon, Sr. received a Bachelor of Music Education from Delta State University in 1980. In 1995 Jeff received the Master of Music Degree from Mississippi College. After receiving his bachelor’s degree, Jeff served first as assistant director, then director of bands for Madison-Central band program in Madison, MS for eight years. In the summer of 1988, Jeff became associate director of bands for Pearl Public Schools, and was appointed Director of Bands for the Pearl Public Schools in 2007. The Pearl “Pirate” marching band has rated all-superior for 46 consecutive years at the Mississippi State Marching Festival. The Pearl Band Program also received the American School Band Director’s Association “Award of Excellence” for its outstanding instrumental music program. Pearl’s symphonic, concert and varsity band programs have consistently rated superior during the past twenty years as well.

Jeff served as President of the Mississippi Band Master’s Association in 2003. Jeff was named Delta State University Alumnus of the year in 2003, and the National Federation of High Schools Outstanding Music Educator in 2003. Jeff has served on the staff of the Mississippi Lions All-State Band twenty-one times in such capacities as staff assistant, marching director, concert director, assistant manager, and was appointed Director/Manager in July Of 2006. The Mississippi Lions Band travels worldwide to participate in Lions International Parade competitions and has won 31 international championships since 1951.

In the summer of 2015 Jeff received an appointment to become Interim Director of Bands for Jones County Jr. College in Ellisville, MS. The famous Maroon Typhoon Band marches for athletic events, parades and this year will be featured in the McDonalds Parade of Lights in Chicago, IL.

### **Appreciation**

LMEA wishes to express sincere appreciation to everyone who had a part in the presentation of the 2015 All-State/Conference. We also offer thanks to the Calcasieu Parish Schools Print Shop for all LMEA programs, O’Neill’s Music Company for the use of pianos, and PreSonus Audio for audio equipment.

## **Outstanding Administrator Award**

One Louisiana Principal has been selected as recipient of the LMEA Outstanding Administrator Award for 2015. This is the fourteenth time in the past eighteen years that such recognition has been made by the Louisiana Music Educators Association.

LMEA annually accepts nominations based on the criteria published in the February Issue of *The Louisiana Musician*. The nomination form and criteria can also be found on the LMEA website ([lmeamusic.org](http://lmeamusic.org)). The award ceremony takes place preceding an All-State performance at the annual State Music Professional Development Conference. The public is invited to attend along with friends and families of the administrator.

Jarod W. Martin is the Principal of Lockport Middle School in Lockport, Louisiana. Prior to his appointment at Lockport, Mr. Martin served as a teacher at Houma Junior High School and as an Assistant Principal at Evergreen Junior High School. In addition to his educational service, Mr. Lockport has served as an officer in the Louisiana Army National Guard since 1994. During his tenure in the Guard, he has earned the Bronze Star, the Meritorious Service Medal, the Combat Infantry Badge, and the Iraqi Campaign Medal (2).

In fulfilling his educational administrative roles, Mr. Martin has been personally active in the development and expansion of school schedules in support of the music programs. He has more than a vision of expanding music curriculum. He has developed long range plans and has provided the necessary support and funding to implement these plans. He has made excellence and public recognition of music a high priority in the school and community. In his work, he has proven himself to be more than just an advocate. He gets results that directly benefit music education.

Under Mr. Martin's supervision, the music programs have excelled at district and state levels receiving Superior ratings. Also, many students have been selected for the District VII Honor groups in all categories.

One sample of Mr. Martin's hands-on support can be found in his personal involvement in music events, fund-raisers, performances and activities. This same level of commitment and leadership is exhibited throughout the school to all students, faculty and staff."

Key to his philosophy in raising academic standards is his belief that participation in music is fundamental to the process of improving student achievement. Both from his office and in the public eye, Mr. Martin has elevated the success of music, been a visible and enthusiastic supporter of the students, and implemented a strong vision of music programs.

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