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that we are here to support YOU every step of the way. Our goal is clear: to become the organization you've always envisioned for LMEA.

This weekend, seize this opportunity to invest in yourself! Spend time with your colleagues, share ideas, and embrace new perspectives that will allow you to bring even more creativity into your classrooms. Remember, LMEA aims to be your voice for music education in Louisiana—advocating and building a strong relationship with the Louisiana Department of Education to enhance music education in all schools.

Each of you plays a crucial role in this journey toward excellence in music education. We hope this weekend inspires you not only as educators but also as advocates within your school districts about providing a well-rounded education that includes music for every student throughout our great state.

Thank you for being part of this incredible community. Enjoy every moment of the conference!

Warm regards,

*Lee Hicks*

President, Louisiana Music Educators Association



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# 2025 LMEA All-State Middle School Band

Angela Woo, Director

## CONCERT PROGRAM

*to be selected from the following*

Dominion	Randall Standridge
Whirlwind	Jodie Blackshaw
Our Kingsland Spring	Samuel Hazo
The Bonsai Tree	Julie Giroux
Ceremony, Chant, and Ritual	David Shaffer
Amen!	Frank Ticheli



Angela Woo is Director of Instrumental Music at John Adams Middle School (Santa Monica, CA) where nearly 300 students comprise three concert bands and three string orchestras. The John Adams ensembles have consistently earned the highest possible ratings at performance festivals. In 2011, the John Adams Middle School Wind Ensemble was selected to perform at the inaugural California All-State Music Education Conference as the only middle school concert band in the state to be so honored. In addition, Ms. Woo is Music Director of Pacific Symphony Youth Concert Band (Orange County, CA).

For over 25 years, Ms. Woo has active as a guest conductor, clinician, and adjudicator with numerous honor groups, conducting symposia, and music festivals throughout the United States, including All-State honor bands and orchestras at the middle school and high school levels in Kentucky, Oregon, Michigan, Colorado, California, and Georgia. Ms. Woo has been invited by the WorldStrides Honors Performance Series to conduct in Carnegie

Hall (New York) with the 2019 and 2022 Middle School Orchestra and the 2020 High School Symphony Orchestra; she will join the team in their West Coast debut as conductor of the 2024 Honors Performance Middle School Orchestra at the Ambassador Auditorium (Pasadena, CA).

On the international level, Ms. Woo was the first woman to conduct at the 1992 XIV New Music Forum in Mexico City; she premiered the music of Karel Husa, Vincent Persichetti, George Crumb and William Schuman. In 2018, Ms. Woo was the first international guest conductor for the middle school State Honours Ensemble Program at the Queensland Conservatorium (Griffith University) in Brisbane, Australia where she recently returned to guest conduct the national high school honor band with the 2023 Australian Honours Ensemble Program.

An alumna of the University of California, Los Angeles, Ms. Woo holds the degrees Bachelor of Arts in Music Education and Piano Performance, Master of Education, and Master of Fine Arts in Conducting. She also holds a Master of Arts in Educational Administration from California State University, Northridge. Prior to her appointment to John Adams Middle School in 1995, Ms. Woo was Director of Music at Corona del Mar High School (Orange County, CA) where she led the band, orchestra, choral, and jazz ensembles. She also served as conductor of the Santa Monica College Wind Ensemble during its 1995-96 season.

Ms. Woo is a staunch advocate for music education at all levels. She has been recognized and honored for her advocacy and service to music education by local, regional, and national organizations, including the Santa Monica Rotary Club (2005 Santa Monica-Malibu District Teacher of the Year), the John Philip Sousa National Foundation (2012 Legion of Honor Laureate), the Education Through Music – Los Angeles Foundation (2019 Shining Star Award), and the Southern California School Band and Orchestra Association (2020 Gold Award). Most recently, Ms. Woo was the recipient of the 2024 California Music Educators Association Middle School Music Educator Award.



# 2025 All-State Middle School Band Members

## FLUTE

Netanya Victoria Hart	The Willow
Julia Vu	Boyett
Rylee Barreca	L.J. Alleman
Melanie Mayer	DeRidder
Wyatt Harvey	Mandeville
Brianna Cardin	Thibodaux
Faithlynn Alex	Bayou Blue
Rhyen Rubin	L.J. Alleman
Olivia Benoit	Sixth Ward
Elliana Buller	Edgar Martin
Anna Khau	Erath
Kylie Adams	Benton

## OBOE

Luke Lestage	DeRidder
Valerie Gaffney	Haynes Academy
Momoka Maeda	Mandeville

## BASSOON

Ronald Zheng	The Willow
Corinne Stewart	Bluff
Calvin Kulczycki	Benton

## CLARINET

Samuel Marse	Ponchatoula
Jason Hamm	Isidore Newman
Georgia Rasar	Benton
Carlie Simon	Youngsville
Hadley Stroud	Boyett
Austin Olinde	Catholic
Ava Miller	Boyett
Lillian Wiant	Bayou Chicot
Isabel Escobar-Marquez	F.K. White
Cora West	Bayou Chicot
Ellie Concepcion	St. Clement of Rome
Rebecca Ennenbach	Pickering
Sakayla Boateng	Belle Chasse Academy
Natalie Copas	L.J. Alleman
Alyssa Sikes	Erath
Kenidee Miranda	J.B. Martin
London Lee	L.J. Alleman
Benjamin DeLee	Northwestern
Evan Clark	Bolton
Taylen Lirette	Bayou Blue
William Douglas	Edgar Martin

## BASS CLARINET

Tai Nguyen	Bluff
Evan Petit	J.B. Martin
Aubree Olivier	L.J. Alleman
Trent Foret	Evergreen
Zoey Waller	L.J. Alleman
Amaya Pfantz	DeRidder

## CONTRA CLARINET

Brayden Pascoe	Cope
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## ALTO SAXOPHONE

Max Proksch	S.J. Welsh
Brylee Simpson	West Ridge
De'Rhani Alexander	L.J. Alleman
Vedant Ramesh	Haynes Academy
Katherine Lecky	L.J. Alleman
Joey Thongmanh	J.H. Williams
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Robert Stierwald II	Brother Martin
Evangeline Melancon	Edgar Martin
Abby Samanie	Raceland

## TENOR SAXOPHONE

Mikayla Mayes	DeRidder
Briley Dyson	F.K. White
McKenna DeHart	Bayou Blue

## BARI SAXOPHONE

Zander Waller	L. J. Alleman
Cade Carter	North DeSoto

## TRUMPET

Ava Plaisance	Larose-Cut Off
Norah McKinney	Haynes
Jude Vignes	LSU University Lab
Zander Simon	S.J. Welsh
Bryson Sharrah	Benton
Noah Harkins	Cope
Charli Hays	Cope
Caleb Connor	Northwestern
Kolten Barras	Thibodaux
Lucas Chamberlain	North Vermilion
Adrian Concienne	Northwestern
Jonah House	L.J. Alleman
David Maginness	Benton
Ethan Book	Bluff
Savana Estes	East Ouachita
Katie Babin	J.B. Martin
Daniel Frusha	Scott
Norris Halll	DeRidder

## HORN

Milan Vitrano	St. Clement of Rome
Evan Aguillard	North Corbin
Josie Pham	Good Hope
Andrew Cronan	S.J. Welsh
Everett Clouse	J.B. Martin
Lydia Conrad	Cope
Javier Martinez	Fontainebleau
Kylee Broussard	North Vermilion
Isabella LeBlanc	North Vermilion
Emilio Barboza	Edgar Martin
Peter Pasquier	Catholic

## TROMBONE

Eden Smith	L.J. Alleman
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Ethan Tran	Riser
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Sophia Sharp	Madisonville
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## PERCUSSION

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# 2025 LMEA All-State Handbell Ensemble

Greig Ashurst, Director

## CONCERT PROGRAM

*to be selected from the following*

Processional and Joyful Dance	Margaret Tucker
Festive Fanfare	Arnold Sherman
Andante Maestoso from "Jupiter"	Gustav Holst, arr. Kevin McChesney
Amazing Grace	arr. Sandra Eithun
Just Messin' Around	Hart Morris
Hashivenu	arr. Brenda Austin
Reverberations	Sallie Lloyd
Clocks	Coldplay, arr. Keith Richards
Jamaican Holiday	Greig Ashurst

## All-State Handbell Ensemble Members

Ryan Crouch	DeRidder	Kayla Meadows	DeRidder
Trisha Darbonne	Lafayette	Cooper Mixon	Lafayette
Lucille Dishman	Central Lafourche	Kade Richard	Central Lafourche
Carrie Haselden	DeRidder	Matthew Richard	Central Lafourche
David Haselden	DeRidder	Jack Rodrigue	Central Lafourche
Alejandro Limas	DeRidder	Addison Stark	DeRidder
Carlos Limas	DeRidder	Riley Wallace	Lafayette



**Greig Ashurst** has cultivated an illustrious pedagogical and conducting career spanning over three decades, encompassing various domains such as technology, educational philosophy, and music throughout the United States. Mr. Ashurst has amassed a distinguished professional background in the field of music, where he has instructed, directed, and delivered clinics, seminars, and keynote addresses across the United States. Recently, he presented clinics at the annual conferences of the Connecticut Music Educators Association and the Michigan Music Conference. This year, some of Mr. Ashurst's notable conducting engagements include conducting the Indiana All-State Handbell Ensemble and the International Handbell Symposium in Hamamatsu, Japan.

As a music education and technology consultant for Schulmerich Bells, LLC, he was instrumental in the development of numerous products. He was a member of the design and implementation group for the electronic handbell-like instrument, MelodyWave. He designed and introduced the Greig Ashurst Artists Series and the Greig Ashurst Legato Series, two new lines of professional performance mallets that have revolutionized the timbral landscape of contemporary handbell performance and music. In addition to numerous articles in

local and national music journals, GIA Publications, Hope Publishing, and From the Top Publishing have all published his music.

He has held the position of music educator at universities and public and private institutions in Louisiana, North Carolina, and Texas. He was born in Lafayette, Louisiana. At present, Mr. Ashurst holds the positions of Director of Instrumental Music and Director of Technology at Cathedral-Carmel School, where he was the 2016–2017 "teacher of the year." In 2009 and 2003, respectively, North Vermilion High School in Maurice, LA and CW Stanford Middle School in Hillsborough, NC honored him as "Teacher of the Year." In addition, he holds the position of Youth Music and Instrumental Director at Asbury United Methodist Church, located in Lafayette, Louisiana. Greig Ashurst holds multiple positions within a multitude of organizations, including that of board member for the Southwest Louisiana Band Directors' Association and president of the Handbell Musicians of America.





# 2025 LMEA All-State Guitar Ensemble

Dr. Chad Ibison, Director

## CONCERT PROGRAM

*to be selected from the following*

A Desert Thought	Phil Swasey
Pavana No. 6	Luis Millan arr. Marcum/Jeffords
The Bell and the Pendulum	Travis Marcum
Le Loup, La Chèvre et Le Chou	Annette Kruisbrink
La Cigara	Perez Y Soto, arr. Swasey
Prelude No. 4, Op. 28	Chopin, arr. Swasey
Greensleeves	Traditional, arr. Chris Lee

## All-State Guitar Ensemble Members

Gabriel Badon	Ovey Comeaux	Brandi Nezey	Ovey Comeaux
James Basco	Ovey Comeaux	Wrex Palmisano	Archbishop Rummel
Sean Harris	Denham Springs	Dominic Rachal	Avoyelles Public Charter
Ava Lafosse	Ovey Comeaux	Macie Royer	Ovey Comeaux
Barrett LeBon	Airline	Emilio Saucedo	Alfred M. Barbe
Jordyn Lyons	Ovey Comeaux	Marina Vincent	St. Mary's Dominican
Reily McLaughlin	Ovey Comeaux	Audrey Watkins	Lafayette
Kelly McRae	Ovey Comeaux	Jackson Zorn	Lafayette



American guitarist **Dr. Chad Ibison** has captivated audiences across North America and abroad through his imaginative musical interpretations and charismatic stage presence. Hailed through critical acclaim, Chad has been described as “very versatile in terms of contrast and range of expression” (Classical Guitar Canada) with “masterful phrasing combined with technical precision” (ClassicalGuitar.org). Composer Gregory Sullivan Isaacs, in the Fort Worth Star Telegram, describes Ibison’s impact as a performer; “Chad gave an incendiary performance. His approach was, at the same time, aggressive and intimate. He melded with the instrument, and the result was brash, expressive and technically secure.”

Along with his critical acclaim, Ibison has accumulated ten first place awards among his eighteen top prize wins at international guitar competitions including The Guitar Foundation of America, JoAnn Falletta Concerto Competition and Boston’s New England Conservatory Guitarfest. He participates regularly at guitar festivals as a performer, teacher and judge. Chad resides in Austin and is currently the Assistant Professor at Austin Community College and maintains a private studio in Hyde Park.





## 2025 LMEA All-State Middle School Choir

*Dr. Jamie Hillman, Director*  
*Shayla Blake, Accompanist*

### CONCERT PROGRAM

*to be selected from the following*

I Dream a World	Andre Thomas
Aurora Borealis (Song of Alaska)	Amy F. Bernon
Praise His Holy Name!	Keith Hampton
Quiet Sea	Melissa Keylock
Festival Sanctus	John Leavitt



**JAMIE HILLMAN** is an American and Canadian conductor, singer, pianist, music educator, and composer-arranger. He is Director of Choral Studies at the University of Toronto, where he holds the endowed Elmer Iseler Chair in Conducting and leads the master's and doctoral degree programs in Choral Conducting as well as the annual summer Choral Conducting Symposium. He is also an adjunct faculty member in Emmanuel College's Master of Sacred Music program.

For the 2022-2023 season, Hillman was Associate Conductor and Director of Community Engagement of the Toronto Mendelssohn Choir. Hillman has also served on the faculty of Boston University Metropolitan College/Prison Education Program, Boston University Tanglewood Institute, Kodály Music Institute, Longy School of Music of Bard College, and Toronto Summer Music. As a Boston University Prison Arts Scholar, Hillman co-initiated an

innovative vocal music program in the Massachusetts prison system.

Dr. Hillman is an examiner for Conservatory Canada and has adjudicated, guest conducted, performed, and presented throughout the United States and Canada, and in Brazil, France, India, Indonesia, Portugal, and Taiwan. He has led All-State, festival, or honor choirs in Connecticut, Georgia, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Jersey, New York, Ontario, Rhode Island, Taiwan, Utah, Vermont, and Virginia. Most recently he conducted two national festival choruses at Carnegie Hall with Manhattan Concert Productions and National Concerts. In 2025, he returns to Carnegie Hall to conduct a national festival chorus. Hillman has conducted world premieres by Shireen Abu Khader, Matthew Emery, Sarah Quartel, and Marie-Claire Saindon, among others.

Dr. Hillman is in constant demand as an adjudicator for national and international festivals and competitions. He also frequently presents at conferences including the Association for Moral Education, College Music Society, various Music Educator Associations, Nova Associação Brasileira de Regentes de Coros, and World Choral Expo. As a tenor soloist, Hillman has performed major choral-orchestral works in the United States, Canada, and Southeast Asia. He is the curator and editor of The Jamie Hillman Choral Series published by Santa Barbara Music Publishing. With composer Dan Forrest, he edits Beckenhorst Press' Concert Series and writes pedagogical curriculum for pieces in the series. Hillman has written articles on choral literature and choral pedagogy that have been published in International Choral Bulletin, Massachusetts Music Educators Journal, and Mass Sings.

Hillman earned an associate diploma from the Royal Conservatory of Music (Toronto) and degrees from Western University (London, Canada), University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign, and Boston University where he studied with Ann Howard Jones. Dr. Hillman is the 2012 laureate of the Leslie Bell Prize for Choral Conducting from the Ontario Arts Council.



# 2025 LMEA All-State Middle School Choir Members

## Soprano

Laney Abercrombie	Brame
Azlyn Alexander	West Ridge
Rose Baker	Caddo Magnet
Alice Barrett	R.K. Smith
Maci Bell	West Ridge
Chloe Broussard	LSU Lab
Paige Cheney	Providence Classical
Claire Cooper	St. Mary's Dominican
Karsyn Couvillon	Avoyelles Public Charter
Kinzly Dauzat	Avoyelles Public Charter
Ryleigh Gage	Caddo Magnet
Caitlyn Guerrero	West Ridge
Fynlie Guidry	Raceland
Isabel Gutierrez	Providence Classical
Isabella Hall	Harry Hurst
Magdelyne Hamilton	Caddo Magnet
Siya Harish	Caddo Magnet
Trinity Johnson	Caddo Magnet
Shay Landry	Raceland
Annalise LeBlanc	West Ridge
Ari Massel	Neville Junior
Eden Moore	Caddo Magnet
Mia Mouton	Caddo Magnet
Genevieve Nickelson	Caddo Magnet
Delilah Noble	Willow School
Kate Ryland	Avoyelles Public Charter
Claire Schule	J.B. Martin
Kimberlynn Smith	Martin Luther King, Jr.
Ashlynn Taylor	Caddo Magnet
Breanna Williams	West Ridge

## Alto

Cecilia Aycock	St. Thomas More
Aurora Bezdek	St. Mary's Dominican
Aubree Breaux	Lockport

Dejah Campbell	Albert Cammon
Beau Daigle	Harry Hurst
Lorelle Daniels	West Feliciana
Camille Desoto	Avoyelles Public Charter
Germani Dixon	Caddo Magnet
Annalee Guillotte	Brame
Addie Hays	Providence Classical
Ella Holland	Caddo Magnet
Karter Layton	Neville
Tinnelle Lewis	Albert Cammon
Iris Linder	St. Thomas More
Alaina Matherne	Lockport
Ian Michiels	Bolton Academy
Jaylee Mitchel	Avoyelles Public Charter
Paislee Rupp-Smith	St. Thomas More
Larkin Sherry	Providence Classical
Lacee Smith	Caddo Magnet
Ansley Spruill	Metairie Park Country Day
Annalee Templet	LSU Lab
Drew Trahan	LSU Lab
Kruse Walvoord	LSU Lab
Riley Weaver	Good Hope
Piper Wenkel	Caroline Dormon
Clarke Williams	LSU Lab
Layla Williams	DeQuincy
Lydia Willis	Providence Classical
Hannah Winkler	Willow School

## Tenor

Ayden Adams	Thibodaux
Rickey Barnes	Tioga
Clay Bordelon	Avoyelles Public Charter
Willis Brewer	Haynes
Benson Carroll	Providence Classical
Max Chambers	Caddo Magnet
Parker Dauzat	Avoyelles Public Charter

Dean Freeman	West Ridge
Daniel Guerrero	West Ridge
Daniel Hale	Tioga
Trace Harrington	Avoyelles Public Charter
Knowledge Kappel	Bayou Blue
Gregory O'Brien	Haynes
Mason Patton	McKinley Magnet
Brennan Plaisance	Raceland
Nicolas Rudy	Dutchtown
Bradey Sanders	Brame
Owen Vann	LSU Lab
Dalton Whitley	Tioga
Mathew Wilson IV	Brame

## Bass

Daniel Battiste	Brame
Corbit Bonner	Tioga
Davis Bourgeois	LSU Lab
Garrison Briscoe	Dutchtown
Graydon Chandler	West Monroe
Jude Deville	Dutchtown
Ryland Griffin	Tioga
Jesse Harold	West Ridge
Gunnar Jordan	Tioga
Pierson Lockwood	Tioga
Ezra Miley	Metairie Park Country Day
Ethan Moore	Holy Cross
Braylon Patterson	West Ridge
Dylan Powell	West Ridge
Ethan Robert	West Ridge
Conley Seals	Dutchtown
Drake Summerhill	West Ridge
Drew Tuck	J.B. Martin
Elijah Williams	J.B. Martin



**Shayla Blake** teaches Songwriting, Choral Arranging, Flute and Piano and serves as collaborative pianist in the Louisiana Tech University School of Music. She studied piano and flute at Stetson University and Texas Tech University and maintains a busy performing schedule. Shayla has conducted and performed with instrumental and vocal ensembles of all ages, most recently including the Northeast Louisiana Parkinson's Chorale. As a composer, her works represent choral, pop/country and instrumental music. Shayla's website is [shaylablakemusic.com](http://shaylablakemusic.com).





# 2025 LMEA All-State Middle School String Orchestra

Robert Gillespie, Director

## CONCERT PROGRAM

*to be selected from the following*

Allegro in D for Strings

Vivaldi/Steven Frackenpohl

Arlington Sketches

Elliot Del Borgo

Lullaby to the Moon

Brian Balmages

Fiddle Dance from Folk Tune and Fiddle Dance

Percy Fletcher

Fire in the Forge

Ted Allen



Bob Gillespie is Ohio State University Professor Emeritus of string education/string pedagogy. Under Dr. Gillespie's leadership, Ohio State University received the 2015 Institutional String Education Award as the premier string education university in the country. Dr. Gillespie is a past national President of the American String Teachers Association (ASTA). He is a frequent guest conductor of All-State, region, and festival orchestras, having appeared in 49 states, Canada, Asia, and throughout Europe. He is co-author of the Hal Leonard string method book series, Essential Elements for Strings, the leading string instrument teaching series in the US with sales of over eleven million copies. Also, he is co-author of the college text Strategies for Teaching

Strings: Building A Successful School Orchestra Program, the String Clinics to Go DVD series, the Teaching Music Through Performance in Orchestra texts for GIA publications, and the new method series, Rockin' Strings for Hal Leonard. In summers, well over 1,600 teachers have attended the annual summer OSU String Teacher Workshop, the largest string/orchestra teacher-training workshop in America. In Columbus, he conducts the Columbus Symphony Chamber Strings Youth Orchestra. In 2020, Dr. Gillespie received the Paul Rolland Lifetime Achievement Award from the American String Teachers Association for significant contribution to the field of string teacher education and string pedagogy.

In 2022, he received the University of Michigan School of Music alumni Hall of Fame Award in recognition of his distinguished career in music education. In December 2023 he will receive the Medal of Honor from the Midwest Clinic for distinct services to instrumental music education and continuing influence on the development and improvement of bands and orchestras in America.



# *All-State Middle School String Orchestra Members*

## **VIOLIN 1**

Sophia Anagnost	The Willow
Abigail Borel	Moss Bluff
Riley Bruton	Lake Forest Charter
Andrew Caswell	Boyet
Vivian Chen	Haynes Academy
Tiffany Chin	Haynes Academy
Tess DeLoia	Gayle Sloan
Jayden Fernandez	NSU Lab
Kaylee Flournoy	MSA-West
Hunter French	NSU Lab
Jackson Hood	Montessori for Shreveport
Sharada Kulkarni	Edgar Martin
Vincent Newport	St. Paul's
William Reed	Westdale
Ian Shen	Caddo Caddo
Vivian Smith	Southfield
Elaine Sun	The Willow
Nicholas Washington	Natchitoches Magnet
Everett Watson	Natchitoches Magnet

## **VIOLIN 2**

Silas Burgess	Cecilia
Ella Cao	Haynes Academy
Tano Eleyae	NSU Lab
Piper Foshee	NSU Lab
Andrea Gonzalez	Caddo Magnet
Brian Han	Caddo Magnet
Charles Han	Caddo Magnet
Peyton Helaire	Natchitoches Magnet
Juhee Han	NSU Lab
Noah Kidder	Holy Cross
Luke Kong	Caddo Magnet
Neleh Le	Sherwood Academic Magnet
Brett Massimi	NOCCA
Cecilia Pham	Sherwood Academic Magnet
Mason Pierre	MSA-West
Emma Tyson	S.J. Welsh
Zoe Weber	Glasgow
David Williams	Alexandria Country Day
Robert Williams	Natchitoches Magnet
Oscar Zheng	Caddo Magnet

## **VIOLA**

Blakley Atwell	S.J. Welsh
Bax Berge	Evangel Christian Academy
Henderson Hamilton	Caddo Magnet
Kynlee Harrell	NSU Lab
Phoebe Kirby	West Ridge
Anabella Melendez	Southfield
Tobias Neeley	Southfield
Hannah Oh	Caddo Magnet
Violet Stroope	Westdale
Andy Trinh	Lake Forest Charter
Nora Waller	The Willow

## **CELLO**

Zara Ahmed	The Willow
Dea Berthelot	MSA-West
Melody Bogen	Kenner Discovery
Andrew Bosch	The Willow
Andrew Fontenot	NSU Lab
Davis Grant	Caddo Magnet
Bryson Hood	Montessori for Shreveport
Sabina Ivanova	Southfield
Autumn James	Westdale
McKay Kjar	L.J. Alleman
Cruz Lee	Westdale
Brogan Neeley	Southfield
Ryland Snow	Natchitoches Magnet
Zoe Ukpai	Natchitoches Magnet

## **BASS**

Hunter Gibbs	S.J. Welsh
Ethan Johnson	NSU Lab
Boss LaCaze	Natchitoches Magnet
Carson Lyles	NSU Lab
Caden Meyers	Brother Martin
Sophia Reyna	West Ridge

## **PIANO**

Nadal de Silva-Ahmed	Metairie Park Country Day
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# 2025 LMEA All-State MS Jazz Ensemble

Robert Keating, Director

## CONCERT PROGRAM

*to be selected from the following*

The Sermon	Erik Morales
The Egg	Dan Kramlich
Oh! Lady Be Good	Dallas Burke
I'm Beginning To See The Light	Paul Baker
Blues for Cat	Rob Vuono, Jr.
Every Little Thing She Does Is Magic	Paul Murtha
Now What	Mike Kamuf
The Frim Fram Sauce	John Wasson
What A Wonderful World	Alan Baylock
Autumn Leaves (Hojas Caidas)	Michele Fernandez

## All-State Middle School Jazz Ensemble Members

### ALTO SAXOPHONE

Lucas Heiman Fontainebleau Jr.  
Brayden Fraychineaud Harry Hurst

### TENOR SAXOPHONE

Cecilia Jambon St. Clement of Rome  
Damian Castellon F.K. White

### BARI SAXOPHONE

John Ramirez-Lopez Adams Middle

### TRUMPET

Eli Toshav Isidore Newman  
Xavier Facundus Isidore Newman  
Knox Korpinen Moss Bluff  
Carter Hearne Moss Bluff  
Matthew Devall F.K. White

### TROMBONE

Amari Benson DeRidder Jr.  
Jacob Grice F.K. White  
Elijah Kantam F.K. White  
Nicholas Deist St. Clement of Rome  
Zane Redd Moss Bluff

### PIANO

Jeremy Xu Haynes

### GUITAR

Henri Hebert Central

### BASS GUITAR

Robert Ryals Fontainebleau Jr.

### DRUMS

Calvin Carline Central



**Robert Keating** is a highly accomplished music educator and professional musician, currently serving as the Music Director at Gulliver Preparatory in Miami, Florida. Robert's expertise and passion for music education have led to numerous speaking engagements and workshops. He has been invited to present at the Florida Music Educators Association (FMEA) five times and the Jazz Education Network (JEN) conferences twice, sharing his knowledge and insights with fellow educators.

Under Robert's leadership, the Gulliver Prep Jazz Band has achieved remarkable success. They have been recognized with "Outstanding Performance" Awards from DownBeat Magazine for three consecutive years (2019-2021). Additionally, the band had the honor of performing at the prestigious 71st Midwest Band Clinic in 2017 and was invited to perform at JEN the same year, solidifying their reputation as a top-tier ensemble.

Robert attended the University of Southern Mississippi, and received his Bachelor of Music degree from the University of South Alabama. He completed his Master of Music degree from the University of Miami Frost School of Music.

Beyond his role as a music educator, Robert Keating is an accomplished freelance musician in the South Florida area. He has held positions in esteemed orchestras and ensembles such as the Miami Symphony Orchestra, Orchestra Miami, Miami City Ballet, Florida Grand Opera, Brass Miami, and the Miami Brass Quintet. He has also showcased his versatility by performing with renowned Latin bands including Orquesta Inmensidad, Grupo Chevere, and Celia Cruz.





# 2025 LMEA All-State Jazz Ensemble

Clarence Hines, Director

## CONCERT PROGRAM

*to be selected from the following*

Cute	Neal Hefti/arr. Bob Mintzer
Yesterdays	Jerome Kern/arr. Clarence Hines
What Is This Thing Called Love	Cole Porter/arr. Alan Baylock
Boogaloo	Clarence Hines
The Star-Crossed Lovers	Strayhorn, Ellington/trans. David Berger
Footprints	Wayne Shorter/arr. Mike Tomaro
Mambo Inn	Sampson, Woodlen, Bauza/arr. Michael Mossman
The Eternal Triangle	Sonny Stitt/arr. John Clayton

## All-State Jazz Ensemble Members

### ALTO SAXOPHONE

Jaden Brock	Riverdale
Anna Bordelon	Central

### TENOR SAXOPHONE

Reed Cloutre	Zachary
Orlando Espinosa-Martinez	Chalmette

### BARI SAXOPHONE

Lukhian Green	DeRidder
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### TRUMPET

Caden McCardle	Sulphur
Ryan Venable	Zachary

Logan Durio

Leila Alexander  
Wyatt Flanagan

### TROMBONE

Brayden Owens  
Jace Ard  
Owen Ducote  
Alexander Elsey

### BASS TROMBONE

Charles Miller

Sam Houston

Zachary  
Riverdale

Ponchatoula  
Fontainebleau  
Sulphur  
Zachary

Lafayette

### PIANO

Sabina Martinez      Fontainebleau

### GUITAR

Devon Fitzhugh      St. Michael

### BASS GUITAR

Samm Domingue      A.M. Barbe

### DRUMS

Sam Rotolo      Mandeville

### VOCALIST

Nat Barker      Caddo Magnet



**Clarence Hines** is an accomplished trombonist, composer, arranger, and educator with a diverse musical career. He has performed alongside internationally acclaimed artists and groups including Slide Hampton, Bob Brookmeyer, John Pizzarelli, David Sanborn, Maceo Parker, Diane Schuur, Bobby Caldwell, Johnny Mathis, Josh Groban, The Temptations, The OJays, The Harry James Orchestra, Rochester Philharmonic Orchestra, and the Jacksonville Symphony Orchestra. Clarence has graced stages at renowned music festivals such as the North Sea Jazz Festival, Rochester International Jazz Festival, Jacksonville Jazz Festival, and at venues around the world.

In addition to being a seasoned performer, Clarence is also a highly-respected composer and arranger whose arrangements have been recognized by DownBeat magazine. His music has been performed and recorded by both professional and collegiate ensembles around the world. His recent works were premiered at prestigious venues such as the Tanglewood Music Festival, Lincoln Center for the Performing Arts, World Association of Bands and Ensembles (WASBE) Conference in Spain, and the Strings Music Festival in Colorado.

Clarence currently serves as the Director of the School of Music at the University of North Florida, where he also is an Associate Professor of Jazz Studies. Clarence has previously taught at the Eastman Summer Jazz Studies and the Tritone Fantasy Jazz Camp. He is currently a jazz faculty member in the Birch Creek Music Performance Center's Summer Music Academy. Clarence is an artist/clinician for Conn-Selmer and he plays C.G. Conn and King Trombones exclusively.





# 2025 LMEA All-State Treble Choir

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*Dr. Sandra Babb, Director*  
*Steve Gustafson, Accompanist*

## CONCERT PROGRAM

*to be selected from the following*

Awake the Trumpet's Lofty Sound

Handel, arr. John Cramer

In the Sweet By and By

Joseph Webster, arr. Hall

Plena

Diana Sáez

Mantra

Tim Takach

I Need You to Survive

David Rollo Dilworth

Holy Is the Lord

Jeffery Ames



**Dr. Sandra Babb** is Associate Professor of Choral Music Education at Oregon State University, where she directs OSU Bella Voce and the University Chorale. Her choirs have performed for state, regional, and national conferences of the America Choral Directors Association, and she has presented and conducted all-state and honor choirs throughout the United States.

Dr. Babb has co-authored articles for the *International Journal of Research in Choral Singing*, *The Journal of Music Teacher Education*, and the *Choral Journal* and is a contributing author for *Composing in Choirs*, (Kercher, J. L. & Strand, K, Eds.) and *Teaching Music through Performance in Choir, Volume IV*, (Schiebe, J., et al., Eds.), and *Voices in Concert*, (Crocker, E., Ed.). She received the BME, MME, and PhD from Florida State University, and she is a National Center for Voice and Speech certified vocologist. Sandra serves as the President-Elect for Oregon ACDA.



**Steve Gustafson** received his Master of Music from LSU and his Bachelor of Music from Eastern Michigan University. He is an independent music professional and has taught privately for over 30 years in addition to teaching music at Baton Rouge Community College, River Parishes Community College, LSU Academy Prep School and Baton Rouge Music Studios, and is a Nationally Certified Teacher of Music (NCTM).

Steve currently serves as Organist for First Presbyterian Church, Baton Rouge and co-owns Gustafson Piano Tuning, LLC, with his wife Sarah. This is his 9th year accompanying the Louisiana All-State Treble Choir.

# 2025 All-State Treble Choir Members

## SOPRANO 1

Sumaiyya Baig	Haynes
Rebekah Boggs	Providence Classical Academy
Grace Boudreaux	Central Lafourche
Ayiana Canoe	Pineville
Sarah Coffey	Destrehan
Molly Donahue	Baton Rouge Magnet
Nicolina Filippi	North Vermillion
Alexandra Gramby	North Vermillion
Scarlett Groves	Mandeville
Peyton Ingraham	Northshore
Makayla King	Barbe
Ella Kornfuhrer	Mandeville
Natalie Lares	North Vermillion
Gianna Lewis	Barbe
Laura-Beth Mears	Pineville
GiGi Nelson	St. Joseph's Academy
Katelyn Nugent	Buckeye
Liz O'Connor	De La Salle
Sophia Plunk	West Ouachita
Ellie Reid	Tioga
Annie Schneidau	Slidell
Ellie Spencer	West Monroe
Ava Walker	St. Amant
Preslee Wenkel	Alexandria Senior High
Gabriella Woods	Bishop Noland Episcopal Day

## SOPRANO 2

Zoe Alexander	Caddo Magnet
Isabella Almasy	Benton
Monica Bertucci	St. Mary's Dominican
Lauralyn Book	Slidell
Glorianne Bundick	Destrehan
Carina Castillion	Archbishop Chapelle
Lainey Duplantis	Terrebonne
Mary Foster	Buckeye
Alayna Johnson	Sterlington
Aliza Jordan	Avoyelles Public Charter
Jeanne Knoll	Avoyelles Public Charter
Lillian LeBlanc	North Vermillion
Molly Lemmler	Fontainebleau
Kamryn Marsh	Avoyelles Public Charter
Emery McCandless	LSU Lab
Iris Murphy	Mandeville
Emma Rispone	Central
Dezi Starr	Vandebilt Catholic
Sarah Steele	West Monroe
Evie Thompson	Alexandria Senior High
Uzuri Thompson	Baton Rouge Magnet
Shelby Wells	Archbishop Chapelle
Angelina Williams	Destrehan
Ella Williams	DeQuincy
Abigail Wyman	Archbishop Chapelle

## ALTO 1

Ara Arcilla	Neville
Elena Baines	Ruston
Storm Braneff	Sulphur
Nadia Brennan	Buckeye
Aeralyn Grace Bunch	Haynes
Tobi Camacho	Airline
Abbey Caruso	Slidell
Julia Chapman	Minden
Layne Collier	Mandeville
MaKayla Conly	Benton
Anna Couvillion	Avoyelles Public Charter
Emma Futrell	Tioga
Elizabeth Guillory	Magnet Academy of Cultural Arts
Natalie Guillory	Barbe
Jacie Harris	Hahnville
Brianna Jackson	Caddo Magnet
Monique LaSalle	Vandebilt Catholic
Sydney Madden	Ponchatoula
Sarah Price	Terrebonne
Morgan Semien	Magnet Academy of Cultural Arts
Cassidy Starks	New Iberia
Malaila Stewart	Airline
Scout Tingle	Sterlington
Sydney Turner	Airline
Caroline Wagoner	Central

## ALTO 2

Piper Adams	Hammond Magnet
Keira Bowie	Pineville
Alayna Chauvin	North Vermillion
Nekko Cuccia	New Iberia
Sophia Flowers	Providence Classical Academy
Zea Ford	Tioga
Kristina Gillette	Destrehan
D'yoni Khelama-Goines	Airline
Sariyah Guillory	Pineville
Bella Johnson	Ruston
Stanci Johnson	Airline
Holland LaGrone	West Ouachita
Ainsley Laval	Airline
Reese Manuel	Barbe
Camille Masterson	St. Joseph's Academy
Maggie McCartney	West Monroe
Vivian Nguyen	Baton Rouge Magnet
Jayci O'Neal	Central Lafourche
Sophia Perez	St. Mary's Dominican
Ciré Porter	St. Amant
Aubrynn Royer	DeQuincy
Kennedy Scott	West Monroe
Rebecca Smith	Alexandria Senior High
Makaylee Soley	Hammond Magnet
Katy Watts	Providence Classical





# 2025 LMEA All-State Orchestra

*Douglas Droste, Director*

## CONCERT PROGRAM

*to be selected from the following*

Lightspeed . . . . .	Kevin Day
Jupiter . . . . .	Gustav Holst
Academic Festival Overture . . . . .	Johannes Brahms
Danzon No.2 . . . . .	Arturo Marquez



Conductor Douglas Droste is recognized as possessing “obvious joy” for making music and a “sure sense of timing” when on the podium. Those under his baton routinely acknowledge his in-depth interpretations, keen sense of communication, and personable ability to empower musicians.

Droste’s guest conducting appearances include the INSO-Lviv Symphony Orchestra (Ukraine), and the orchestras of Kansas City, Indianapolis, Columbus, Oklahoma City, Tulsa, Midland-Odessa, Fox Valley (IL), Chappaqua (NY), and the Amarillo Virtuosi. Equally at home in the pit, he has conducted over 30 productions of opera, ballet, and musical theatre. Droste has also led eclectic shows with artists such as Black Violin, Ben Folds, The Flaming Lips, Pink Martini, Michael Cavanaugh, Time for Three, Christian Howes, and Disney’s All-American College Orchestra Alumni, among others. He previously served as

Artistic Director of the Muncie Symphony Orchestra, where he was praised for dynamic performances, innovative programming, and his rapport with musicians and community.

A dedicated teacher, Droste is Director of Orchestral Studies at Baldwin Wallace University Conservatory of Music, where he conducts the Baldwin Wallace Symphony Orchestra and teaches conducting. He regularly programs traditional repertoire, works by underrepresented composers, as well as new music by the composers of today. He also seeks unique collaborations and projects, such as Ron McCurdy’s Langston Hughes Project, sensory friendly concerts for children with special needs, and a recording with Tony Award winner Sutton Foster, “Take Me to the World,” on the Ghostlight label.

As an advocate of music education, Droste has conducted numerous all-state orchestras, as well as the Honors Performance Series at Carnegie Hall and Sydney Opera House, Let Music Live Festival at the Vienna Musikverein and Rodolfinum in Prague, Oklahoma Summer Arts Institute, French Woods Festival of the Performing Arts, and an upcoming engagement with the Music for All Honor Orchestra of America. He is also active as a clinician and adjudicator, including Festival Disney, ASTA’s National Orchestra Festival, MCP at Carnegie Hall, and the Music for All National Festival. Droste is a Yamaha Artist and Master Educator.

A talented violinist, Droste has performed with the orchestras of Canton, Indianapolis, Fort Wayne, Oklahoma City, Tulsa, Nashville, and the Lancaster Festival, among others. He is also skilled on viola, trumpet, and as a tenor. Droste holds degrees from The Ohio State University and Texas Tech University.

# 2025 LMEA All-State Orchestra Members

## VIOLIN 1

Ariel Arellano	The Willow
Lucy Baker	Ovey Comeaux
Ojas Bobade	West Monroe
Reuben Burgess	Cecilia
John Cristina	Baton Rouge Magnet
Aiko Fortune	The Willow
Zareb Gray	Baton Rouge Magnet
Anna Johnson	Hammond Magnet
Siyeon Joo	Episcopal of Acadiana
Julia Jung	Baton Rouge Magnet
Nanette Kawanaka	Ben Franklin
Gaon Kim	Haynes
Beatrice Long	Ovey Comeaux
Bailee Meredith	NOCCA
Usha Rebecca Ramdall	The Willow
Noel Strange	Caddo Magnet
Sophia Vu	Northshore
Arden Williams	Providence Classical
Yujun Yao	Natchitoches Central
Ana Zervigon	Benjamin Franklin

## VIOLIN 2

Ana Cano-Campos	Natchitoches Central
Ian Foley	Ovey Comeaux
Miguel Garcia	Baton Rouge Magnet
Alexander Gilfour	Denham Springs
Wanda Hu	Benjamin Franklin
Natalie Hyde	Natchitoches Central
Julianne Jiles	Mandeville
Ivy Joseph	Caddo Magnet
Alina Kolppanen	B.R. Magnet
Mason Kwon	Metairie Park Country Day
Christine Lim	Alexandria Senior
Victoria Ma	Baton Rouge Magnet
Skyler McNicol	Broadmoor
Avi Merlin	The Willow
Veronica Morales	B.R. Magnet
Elianna Prince	Benjamin Franklin
Afreen Shafi	Baton Rouge Magnet
Max Shen	Caddo Magnet
Grace Smith	Baton Rouge Magnet
Christina Zhu	Baton Rouge Magnet

## VIOLA

Mataya Barber	Baton Rouge Magnet
Benjamin Dickson	B.R. Magnet
Christian Frazier	Natchitoches Central
Sebastian Gallego	Loyola College Prep

Noah Henderson	The Willow
Parker Hofmann	Caddo Magnet
Gavin Kocen	Baton Rouge Magnet
Thomas Lieu	Haynes
Graeme Neeley	Caddo Magnet
Grace Nida	Caddo Magnet
Hava Perez	Caddo Magnet
Kelsi Ramirez	Alfred M. Barbe
Arthur Stoecker	Benjamin Franklin
John Tate	Baton Rouge Magnet

## CELLO

Charlie Antis	Metairie Park Country Day
Nijel Baddoo	The Willow
Kelly Fan	Baton Rouge Magnet
Neva Garber	Ovey Comeaux
Conner Joubert	Baton Rouge Magnet
Rumsey Kadar	NOCCA
Gerrit King, Jr.	University View
Hanson Lieu	Haynes
Raymond Liu	Baton Rouge Magnet
NeNe McDonald	The Willow
Kallista Miller	Mandeville
Amaan Shafi	Baton Rouge Magnet
Alexander Yang	Baton Rouge Magnet
Michael Zhang	Episcopal Baton Rouge

## BASS

Leighton Comeaux	Ovey Comeaux
Thomas Diamond	B.R. Magnet
Jahi Frazier	Baton Rouge Magnet
Andy Hu	Benjamin Franklin
Macyn LaCour	NCHS
Clarissa Nassif	Dutchtown
Ripplie Perkins	Natchitoches Central
Jesse Sabine	Baton Rouge Magnet
Zavion Sowell	LSMSA

## PIANO

Levi Walling	Lafayette
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## HARP

Isabella Dispenza-Haselden	BR Magnet
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## FLUTE

Molly Lai	Lafayette
Alexander Ng	Brother Martin
Rylee Marcel	Destrehan
Sonja Albert	Lafayette

## OBOE

Duston Sherwin	West Monroe
Travis Denson	Baton Rouge Magnet
Kelsey Coker	Sam Houston

## BASSOON

Hayden Hopko	West Monroe
William Schutz	Doyle
Elizabeth Nguyen	Dutchtown

## CLARINET

John Edmond	Dutchtown
Steven Sherlock	West Monroe
Jacob Resalsingh	Destrehan

## BASS CLARINET

Mackenzie Thigpen	Slidell
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## TRUMPET

Drew Comeaux	South Lafourche
Ethan Mire	Lafayette
Islea Lyon	NOCCA
Ashton Miller	Sulphur

## HORN

Logan Robertson	Sulphur
Logan Paradee	Dutchtown
Sam Ashurst	Lafayette
Michael McCarty	St. Amant
Sawyer Cotton	Terrebonne
Jacob Arceneaux	Southside

## TROMBONE

Thomas Hebert	Dutchtown
Andrew Miller	Lafayette

## BASS TROMBONE

Ryland Emard	Sulphur
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## TUBA

Rylan Frank	Mandeville
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## PERCUSSION

Matthew Nolan	West Monroe
Charlie Harris	Ouachita Parish
Jaden Chiasson	Central Lafourche
Ryan Vice	Thibodaux
David Russo	Haynes
Michael Chalona	Brother Martin





# 2025 LMEA All-State Mixed Choir

Dr. Yoojin Muhn, Director  
Dr. Richard Seiler, Accompanist

## CONCERT PROGRAM

*to be selected from the following*

Insanae et vanae curae

Joseph Hayden

The Ground

Ola Gjeilo

Arise, My Beloved

Rosephanye Powell

Zieguenerleben

Robert Schumann

All Things New

Elaine Hagenberg

Way Over in Beulah Lan'

Stacey Gibbs



Dr. Yoojin Muhn is the Director of Choral Activities at the University of Texas at San Antonio (UTSA), where she leads a dynamic choral program, conducts the UTSA Chamber Singers, and teaches undergraduate and graduate courses in choral conducting. She also serves as the Music Director of the San Antonio Mastersingers, a premier 120-voice volunteer chorus representing the greater San Antonio area. In addition to her work as a conductor, Dr. Muhn is an accomplished composer, with her works performed by ensembles and choirs worldwide.

Renowned for her expertise, Dr. Muhn is a highly sought-after clinician, guest conductor, and adjudicator. In June 2023, she conducted Mozart's *Requiem* at Carnegie Hall with the New York City Chamber Orchestra as part of Manhattan Concert Productions' Masterwork Series. She has been invited to return to Carnegie Hall in 2026 for another performance as part of the same prestigious series. A highlight of 2025 will include the UTSA Chamber Singers' participation at the National American Choral Directors Association conference in Dallas, Texas, as well as an international tour with her UTSA choirs, performing in magnificent venues across Rome, Florence, and Venice, Italy. Prior to joining UTSA, Dr. Muhn was the Artistic Director of the Tucson Masterworks Chorale in Arizona, co-directed the Oriana Women's Chorus, and served as Assistant Conductor for the Concert Choir at the University of Southern California (USC). Her training includes prestigious fellowships at the Oregon Bach Festival and Yale School of Music's Norfolk Chamber Music Festival.

Dr. Muhn earned her Doctor of Musical Arts in Choral Music with honors from the University of Southern California, a Master of Music in Choral Conducting from the University of Cincinnati College Conservatory of Music, a Master of Music in Sacred Music (with distinction) from Westminster Choir College, and a Bachelor of Arts in Composition from SookMyung Women's University in Seoul, South Korea.



**Richard Seiler** of Brevard, North Carolina, is Professor/Keyboard Area Coordinator at the University of Louisiana at Monroe. Dr. Seiler earned performance degrees from UNC-Greensboro, Illinois State University, and Louisiana State University. A Fazioli artist, Seiler has taught masterclasses and performed as solo/collaborative pianist in Canada, China, Europe, Japan, and throughout the United States. He has soloed with orchestras, most recently with the Monroe Symphony Orchestra in a performance of the Prokofiev Third Piano Concerto, and he has recorded multiple times for Centaur Records and MSR Classics. He has toured the state with Northeast Louisiana Arts Council ensembles-in-residence through grants from the National Endowment for the Arts since 2002 and has served as a pianist for the international festival *New Music on the Bayou* since its inception. Seiler is a co-recipient of the NELAC's 2006 Artist-of-the-Year Award, was the recipient of the 2011 ULM Foundation Award for Excellence in Creative/Artistic Activity and held the 2010-2013 Emy-Lou Biedenharn Endowed

Professorship in Music. He also serves as organist/choirmaster at Grace Episcopal Church in Monroe. This is Dr. Seiler's 29th consecutive year to accompany the All-State Choir.

# 2025 All-State Mixed Choir Members

## SOPRANO 1

Madison Adams	Chapelle
Trinity Banks	Airline
Sidonie Bayard	Baton Rouge Magnet
Caelyn Blackwell	St. Amant
Alaina Blanchard	Vandebilt Catholic
Sarah Bowman	West Monroe
Hadley Cate Buntyn	West Monroe
Mallory Butler	Sulphur
Charlotte Carpenter	Baton Rouge Magnet
Anna Craig	St. Joseph's Academy
Kat Fuentes	West Monroe
Valerie Gongre	Caddo Magnet
Aubrey Hendricks	Ouachita Christian
Larissa Huilgol	Willow School
Gabriella LeBlanc	West Monroe
Randilyn Lejeune	Barbe
Madison Lenser	Caddo Magnet
Marlie McLellan	Dutchtown
Aybri Picard	West Monroe
Kara Price	Airline
Porter Ray	West Ouachita
Lia Reinecke	Chapelle
Leanne Rios	Central Lafourche
Emily Vennen	St. Joseph's Academy
Sophia Willett	Airline

## SOPRANO 2

Addalynn Allen	Airline
Norah Authement	Terrebonne
Erin Breaux	CE Byrd
Ada Couvillion	Avoyelles Public Charter
Keely Crew	West Monroe
Isabella Dinh	West Monroe
Lauren Dufrene	Hahnville
Camille Gehrls	Benton
Layten Hastings	St. Amant
Ayden Hymel	Dutchtown
Kailani Jackson	Baton Rouge Magnet
Reese Laborde	Avoyelles Public Charter
Leah Lopez	Ponchatoula
Sarah Mire	Destrehan
Devyn Moore	Benton
Lily Neal	West Monroe
Soo Park	St. Joseph's Academy
Annaleigh Rawle	Airline
Anastasia Redmann	St. Mary's Dominican
Corinne Seals	Baton Rouge Magnet
Lily Springer	Barbe
Audrie St. Cyr	Slidell
Ashlyn Underwood	West Monroe
Anna Wakefield	Benton
Grayson Walden	Alexandria Senior High

## ALTO 1

Eva Arena	Central
Sarah Arnold	Bolton Academy
Emerson Casey	Metairie Park Country Day
Rylee Cote	Mandeville
Rylee Day	St. Amant
Abby Eyer	Tioga
Veronica Galliano	Central Lafourche
Madilyn Harrison	St. Joseph's Academy
Tess Hoychick	Vandebilt Catholic
Peyton Klotz	Chapelle
Dara Lowe	West Monroe
Savannah Miller	West Monroe
Addison Nuñez-Francis	St. Amant
Ashtyn Odom	West Monroe
Peyton Rachal	Avoyelles Public Charter
Syd Rinder	Caddo Magnet
Jayhanna Rue	Hahnville

Sarah Jackson  
Elli Sheppard  
Adalyn Soignier  
Chloe Sylve  
Evia Trahan  
Isabelle Valentine  
Amelia White  
Gabby Wilson

## ALTO 2

Avery Ballance  
Allison Breedlove  
Sarah Broussard  
Kaylea Brown  
Irelyn Creech  
Lyra Dartez  
Karoline Duffy  
Lucy Fairburn  
Alexa Garcia  
Aaliyah Hayes  
Brielle Henderson  
Bianca Ingraham  
Katherine Jenkins  
Tia Landry  
Sydney LeBlanc  
Raygen Monk  
Kelsi Montgomery  
Lia Quesada  
Ashlynn Rice  
Allison Riley  
Abbygale Sims  
Abigail Traylor  
Quincey Warren  
Sydni Wheeler  
Andie Welch

## TENOR 1

Steven Allen  
Chad Barnes  
Cooper Bennett  
James Caycoya  
Kannon Coker  
Naomi Davis  
Grayson Deutscher  
Anderson Dixon  
Trent Floyd  
Coltin George  
Jacob Guichard  
Libby Heard  
Elle Hunter  
Drew Martindale  
Garrett Mathews  
Lucas Miller  
Hudson Osman  
Stephen Pena  
Brett Prater  
Damien Sanders  
Colin Sebrin  
Parker Sonnier  
Cody Thibodeaux  
Titan Thomas  
Elijah Valure

## TENOR 2

David Abbott  
Brennan Boyles  
Ethan Buenafe  
Caleb Cantrell  
Baxter Carroll  
Andy Chau  
Knox Cornner

Caddo Magnet  
Ouachita Christian  
West Monroe  
Airline  
LSU LAB  
Dutchtown  
West Ouachita  
West Ouachita

West Monroe  
Pineville  
Hahnville  
Ouachita Parish  
Terrebonne  
North Vermillion  
Caddo Magnet  
Mandeville  
Vandebilt

West Monroe  
Fontainebleau  
Northshore  
West Monroe  
Central Lafourche  
Acadiana  
West Monroe  
Baton Rouge Magnet  
North Vermillion  
Caddo Magnet  
St. Joseph's Academy  
LSMSA  
Mandeville  
Sulphur  
Baton Rouge Magnet  
Avoyelles Public Charter

St. Amant  
Baton Rouge Magnet  
Vandebilt Catholic  
Alexandria Senior High  
West Ouachita  
Dutchtown  
West Monroe  
West Monroe  
Buckeye

Tioga  
Holy Cross  
Bolton Academy  
South Lafourche  
West Monroe  
Catholic High  
Catholic High  
Avoyelles Public Charter  
Pineville  
Dutchtown  
West Monroe  
West Ouachita  
Barbe  
Sulphur  
Dutchtown  
Vandebilt Catholic

Pineville  
Pineville  
Baton Rouge Magnet  
Destrehan  
Providence Classical Academy  
Sulphur  
North Vermillion

Rocco Fernandez  
Zachary Frick  
Easton Furniss  
Michael Geist  
Gabriel Grice  
Garrett Hebert  
Noah Hebert  
Harry Hoben  
Benjamin Johnston  
Hudsyn Jones  
Levi Kennedy  
Isaac Knapp  
Colton Matherne  
Gabriel McCalmon  
Parker Nickerson  
Nathan Noel  
Rockiem Raspberry  
Brandon Richardson

## BASS 1

Garner Allen  
Paul Apatini  
Taylor Babin  
Jacob Bourgeois  
Cole Burmaster  
Kyung Hyun Cho  
Judah Cooper  
Allen Dahal  
Jack Delamain  
Luke Deroche  
Remy Dubret  
Thomas Dupuis  
Matthias Fischer  
Varun Gala  
Rishabh Gala  
Elias Harb  
Jacob Harold  
Thomas Hayes  
Kurden Liner  
Jameson Nunn  
Max Pinkney  
James Shepherd  
Brody Sims  
Aden Smith  
Spencer Paul

## BASS 2

Jace Atchison  
Gavin Benton  
Aaron Blood  
Joseph Broadwell  
Canon Burns  
Avery Carmouche  
Robert Crawford  
Davis Dawes  
Matt Deano  
Austin Harkins  
Chance Hefflin  
Johntae Jacobs  
T.J. Johnson  
Roman Landry  
Christian Lee  
Ayden Leonardt  
Lucien Michel  
Drake Olowu  
Clark Ortego  
Luke Richoux  
Lennon Sliger  
Andrew Smith  
Christian Sykes  
Landon Villeret  
Stephen Worley

Holy Cross  
Holy Cross  
Tioga  
LSU LAB  
Barbe  
West Monroe  
Sulphur  
Tioga  
MACA  
West Ouachita  
Baton Rouge Magnet  
Catholic High  
Catholic High  
Caddo Magnet  
Providence Classical  
Destrehan  
Hahnville  
MACA

Ruston  
Mandeville  
Hahnville  
Destrehan  
Fontainebleau  
Caddo Magnet  
DeQuincy  
West Monroe  
Catholic High  
Hahnville  
Ponchatoula  
North Vermillion  
Hahnville  
Baton Rouge Magnet  
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West Monroe  
Neville  
Terrebonne  
West Monroe  
C.E. Byrd  
Pineville  
West Ouachita  
Benton  
Airline

West Ouachita  
Central  
Alexandria Senior High  
Alexandria Senior High  
Pineville  
Catholic High  
Fontainebleau  
Catholic High  
Fontainebleau  
Airline  
Providence Classical Academy  
Tioga  
Tioga  
Holy Cross  
Holy Cross  
Catholic High  
Hahnville  
Airline  
Baton Rouge Magnet  
Ponchatoula  
Ouachita  
Tioga  
Alexandria Senior High  
Destrehan  
Ouachita





# 2025 LMEA All-State Concert Band

Amanda Drinkwater, Director

## CONCERT PROGRAM

*to be selected from the following*

Horizons Untold	Evan VanDoren
American Salute	Morton Gould, arr. Douglas E. Wagner
Nostalgia	Rosano Galante
A Time to Dance	Julie Giroux
The Wild One!	Brian Balmages



Amanda Drinkwater currently serves as Director of Fine Arts for the Lewisville Independent School District. Lewisville ISD includes 61 campuses designated into five feeder patterns: Flower Mound, Hebron, Lewisville, Marcus, and The Colony High Schools. LISD schools are located within 127 square miles approximately twenty-five miles Northwest of Dallas, Texas. Ms. Drinkwater formerly served twenty-three years as a Texas music educator, with teaching opportunities at Leander High School (1996-2001), The Colony High School (2001-2003), and Marcus High School (2003-2018). She received her academic training at Louisiana State University and at the University of Kansas in Music Education and Instrumental Conducting, respectively.

Ms. Drinkwater's concert bands consistently earned superior division ratings at the University Interscholastic League Concert & Sight-Reading contests. Under her direction, the Marcus Wind Symphony was named a TMEA Honor Band finalist in 2006, 2008, 2010, 2012, and 2014, and performed as the TMEA 5A Honor Band at the 2015 TMEA Convention in San Antonio, Texas. The Marcus Wind Symphony was a featured ensemble at the Midwest Band and Orchestra clinic in 2007 and 2012 and was recognized five times as a National Wind Band Honors finalist. Ms. Drinkwater's marching ensembles earned eleven consecutive trips to the 5A/6A Texas State UIL Marching Contest and were consistent Bands of America finalists and recipients of various caption honors. In 2006, 2008, 2010, 2012 (5A), and 2014 (6A) the Marcus Marching Band earned the UIL Texas State Marching Championship, and in 2016, the group earned third place at the State Marching Band Contest. The program was awarded the John Philip Sousa Foundation Sudler Shield for excellence in marching band performance and the Sudler Flag for excellence in concert band performance in 2008 and 2014 respectively. Ms. Drinkwater was named five times to 'Who's Who Among America's Teachers', and is a member of the Texas Music Educators Association, the Texas Bandmasters Association, and the American Bandmasters Association. She has been the recipient of the Music Educators National Conference 'Excellence in Teaching Music' Award (2009), the Bayard H. Friedman 'Hero' Award for contributions to Music Education in Texas (2011), and the UIL Sponsor of Excellence (2015).

# 2025 LMEA All-State Concert Band Members

## Flute

Sumayra Veal	Praireville
Jasmine Henry	Haynes Academy
Aubree Schexnayder	Southside
Laura Golda	Parkview Baptist
Alyssa Rivers	Hahnville
Ruth Gong	Mandeville
Kylie Madere	Hahnville
Cara Romero	North Vermilion
Mikayla Bonds	DeRidder
Javeon Jackson	Ovey Comeaux

## Oboe

Elyssa Moore	Airline
Madelyn Anderson	Mandeville
Ethan Bolyer	Pineville
Atom Stephenson	Walker

## Bassoon

Elizabeth Corrent	West Monroe
Heidi Stoute	Parkway
Parker Griffith	Caddo Magnet
Aisha Ellender	Terrebonne

## Clarinet

Ashley Blancas	Dutchtown
Colt LeJeune	Kinder
Claire Naquin	E.D. White Catholic
Julian Rebollar	St. Amant
Evie Percle	Thibodaux
Laura Sanchez	Central Lafourche
Drew LaCroix	Prairieville
Nicholas Gray	Benton
Yamir Ramirez	South Lafourche
Abigail Hazelton	Pine Prairie
Ethan Jarreau	South Lafourche
Halen McDaniel	West Monroe
Sadie Smith	Destrehan
Khai Huynh	New Iberia
Lorelei DeHart	Central Lafourche
Brady Loftin	Parkway
Reilly Nida	Lafayette
Kelsey James	Parkway
Frank Young	Jesuit
Alyssa LaJaunie	Terrebonne
Emilio Orellana	Airline
Ava Falcon	Lafayette
Timothy Bruney	Abbeville
Ember Pierce	Parkway
Blake Taylor	Lafayette
Jordyn Jantzen	Dutchtown
Maxx Scofield	St. Amant
Wyatt Dymond	Parkway

## Bass Clarinet

Joshua Seale	Benton
Emma Pitre	Terrebonne
Nasya Jones	Parkway
Will Long	Lafayette

Jack Ardoin	Denham Springs
Trinity Alexander	Southside
Xavier Hobson	Haughton

## Contra Clarinet

Payton Boudreaux	Dutchtown
Luc Domingue	Lafayette
Kirsty Hernandez	Central Lafourche

## Alto Saxophone

Caden Ragusa	Destrehan
Jackson Williams	Basile
Max Tisdell	Dutchtown
Cadence Robertson	MSA-West
Isabella Gautreaux	Dutchtown
Naomi Hart	The Willow
Kale Foreman	Lafayette Renaissance
Evan Myers	Haughton

## Tenor Saxophone

Alex Rodriguez	Ponchatoula
Ryleigh Riggs	DeRidder
Lance Randall	Tioga
Jasmine White	Buckeye

## Baritone Saxophone

Luke Miller	Benton
Andrew LeCompte	H. L. Bourgeois

## Trumpet

Macallen Richard	Acadiana
Luc Ashurst	Lafayette
Dylan Smith	Alfred M. Barbe
Beau Barrosse	Archbishop Rummel
Harrison Walker	Parkway
Kyle Rodrigue	Ellender Memorial
Cal Quarles	Captain Shreve
Sarah Sullivan	Pine Prairie
Gonzalo Palomares	South Terrebonne
Katie Miller	Benton
Dorian Berthelot	MSA-West
Terry Jackson	Benton
Marlin Bagnet Jr	Ponchatoula
Landen Grissom	Central Lafourche
Ian Anderson	Haynes Academy
Landon Morrow	South Beauregard
Dylan Leslie	Sulphur
Grace Lachney	Northshore

## French Horn

James Hopkins	West Monroe
Gracie Frith	New Iberia
Christopher Spears	Ovey Comeaux
Mitchell Peters	Caddo Magnet
Abbigail Brunet	Lafayette
Ethan Washington	Acadiana
Anna Kate Griffin	Erath
Chloe Nassar	St. Amant
Braxton McIlvoy	Parkway
Cade Crumley	West Ouachita

Jordan Smith	Riverdale
Christian Saldana	Terrebonne

## Trombone

Roy Billiot III	South Lafourche
Nathan Nesbit	Destrehan
Tommy Crider	Ponchatoula
Luke Duhe	Vandebilt Catholic
Nathan Dean	South Lafourche
Andrew Kendrick	West Monroe
James (Ben) Merrel	Benton
Bradon Eues	Berwick
Camren Vidrine	Pine Prairie
Aiden Carlson	Westlake
Autumn Vincent	North Vermilion
Jackson Hollis	Benton
Caden Viator	Dutchtown

## Bass Trombone

Jason Gold, Jr.	Houma Christian
Barley Alvarez-Whittaker	DeRidder

## Euphonium

Samuel Ibanez	Benton
Sebastian Nunez	East Ascension
Zachary Badeaux	Southside
Cade Deroche	Lafayette
Marshall Harris	St. Amant
William Baldwin	Benton
Hannah Hazell	Alfred M. Barbe
Benjamin Flanders	North DeSoto

## Tuba

Brayden Tate	Denham Springs
Evan Felarise	South Lafourche
Kameron Dupre	Southside
Holden White	South Terrebonne
Oliver Green	East Ascension
Wyatt LeBert	Alfred M. Barbe
Alex Domingue	Dutchtown
Tagen Chenier	Terrebonne
Ethan Jackson	Pickering
Kade Fields	Terrebonne

## String Bass

Gavin Alford	Baton Rouge Magnet
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## Percussion

Cade Crochet	Hahnville
James Domangue	Destrehan
Benjamin Hidalgo	Dutchtown
Andrew Cooper	Brother Martin
Logan Murray	Mandeville
Nicholas Hebert	Southside
Josie White	West Ouachita
Peyton Fangue	St. Thomas More
Ian Theriot	Archbishop Rummel





# 2025 LMEA All-State Symphonic Band

*Dr. Dennis Llinás, Director*

## CONCERT PROGRAM

*to be selected from the following*

Marche Hongroise

Berlioz, arr. Yo Goto

Adoration

Florance B. Price, arr. Cheldon R. Williams

Deciduous

Viet Cuong

La Chancla

Dennis Llinás



**Dr. Llinás** serves as the Director of Bands and Associate Professor of Conducting at the University of Oregon. Previously, he served as an Associate Professor of Music and the Associate Director of Bands at Louisiana State University. His responsibilities included conducting the LSU Symphonic Winds, teaching undergraduate & graduate conducting, and directing the Tiger Band. Prior to his arrival to LSU, he was completing his graduate studies at The University of Texas at Austin where he was working with every facet of the band program including the Longhorn Marching Band, Basketball Band, wind ensembles, and chamber music. From 2003 to 2007, Llinás was director of bands at Miami Coral Park Senior High School until he moved to W. Charles Akins High School from 2007 to 2008.

As a composer, Llinás has been commissioned to compose works for musicians from across the country. *Waking Dreams* and *Javier's Dialog* were recorded by Mark Hetzler, trombone professor at The University of Wisconsin, on Summit Records on two separate albums in 2012 and 2014. His compositions and arrangements have also been performed by The University of Texas Wind Ensemble, The University of Texas Men's and Women's Chorus, the Dallas Winds, as well as performances by solo artists from The University of Texas, The University of Wisconsin, Furman University, Conservatoire Strasbourg in France, Vanderbilt University, and Huston-Tillotson University.

In the world of marching arts, Llinás is an active arranger/composer/show designer producing competitive marching band and indoor percussion shows for over 50 programs across the nation. Several of his works have been published by Center X Productions and performances of his works can be heard throughout the country including Oklahoma State University, Texas Tech University, The University of Arkansas, Penn State University, Louisiana State University, and The University of Texas at Austin. Several special projects have been commissioned of him by Estefan Enterprises in Miami, FL for the Miami Dolphins and the Florida Marlins, as well as the 2007 Orange Bowl Halftime Production with special guest star from American Idol Taylor Hicks.

He maintains memberships in the Conductors Guild, the College Band Directors National Association, the Texas Music Educators Association, the Golden Key National Honors Society, and the Phi Kappa Phi National Honors Society. His recording credits include projects with The University of Texas at Austin, Summit Records, and Florida International University.

Dr. Llinás received a Bachelor of Science in Music Education from Florida International University and both a Master of Music and Doctor of Musical Arts in Conducting from The University of Texas at Austin. His primary conducting professors were Roby George and Jerry Junkin.

# 2025 LMEA All-State Symphonic Band Members

## FLUTE

Darick Harris	Haughton
Laura Vu	Northshore
Grace Miceli	Mandeville
Ashley Weems	Dutchtown
Micah Rickert	Alfred M. Barbe
Coryn Chesterfield	Dutchtown
Mischa Trams	Terrebonne
Nylah Carriere	East Beauregard
Duc Bui	Morgan City

## OBOE

Ellie Amedee	Dutchtown
Jaden Atkins	DeRidder
Selena Stafford	Walker

## BASSOON

Tanner Nitchin	Dutchtown
Claire Flanagan	Dutchtown
Natalie George	Sam Houston

## CLARINET

Emily Caswell	Northshore
Layla Brasseaux	Southside
Catherine Book	Dutchtown
Baylee Binder	Dutchtown
Royce Singletary	Sulphur
Grace Lovitt	Rosepine
Claudia Arguelles	Dutchtown
Keith Cruda	Tioga
Addyson Fagnant	Alfred M. Barbe
Noah Richard	Riverdale
Aurora Knock	Slidell
Colin Ludwig	Parkway
Anzlie Ingram	Southside
Ainsley Suire	Dutchtown

## LOW CLARINET

Colin Lapour	East Ascension
Kaden Billiot	Terrebonne
Hayden Stoute	Destrehan
Aiden Ellzey	Sulphur

## CONTRA CLARINET

Tre'len Captain	Alfred M. Barbe
Anayelie Guerrero	South Lafourche

## ALTO SAXOPHONE

Carson Lambert	Dutchtown
Abigail Marse	Ponchatoula
Colin McGee	Southside
Jayden Cheramie	Central Lafourche
Davis Guidry	Dutchtown
Lewis Blakley	Dutchtown

## TENOR SAXOPHONE

Nicholas Rizzuto	Sulphur
Ethan Brister	Walker

## BARI SAXOPHONE

Jackson Chiasson	Central Lafourche
Cole Reynerson	Live Oak

## TRUMPET

Russell Love	Baton Rouge Magnet
Evan Samanie	Central Lafourche
Thomas Lashley	West Monroe
Chase Cagnolatti	St. Amant
Ethan Wang	Alfred M. Barbe
Joshua Pendleton	Walker
Addison Betancourt	Dutchtown
Gage Fey	Archbishop Rummel
Mason Blank	St. Amant
Braylon Vaughn	Dutchtown
Blayne Dunn	Dutchtown
Bao Phan	Terrebonne

## HORN

Jacob Weber	Dutchtown
Hannah Bell	DeRidder
Alfred Stowe	St. Amant
Owen Small	Walker
Tate Powell	West Monroe
Hayes Moore	Terrebonne
Brody Waguespack	Dutchtown

## TROMBONE

Beau Tadlock	East Ascension
Jeremy McGee	Walker
Seth Taylor	West Monroe
Camden Pichon	Slidell
Ryan Pirkey	Parkway
Wes Killgore	New Iberia
Darrius Rosette	Baton Rouge
Sawyer Breau	Central Lafourche
Vance Collins	DeRidder
Parker Seibel	Slidell

## EUPHONIUM

Kate Guidroz	NOCCA
Jonas Johnson	Lafayette
Ricardo Trochez	Parkway
Parker Beaird	West Monroe

## TUBA

Ricky Wells	Zachary
Mason Williams	Covington
William Arnold	Dutchtown
Zachary Lobell	Ponchatoula
Christopher Kenney	Central
Landon Liamkeo	New Iberia

## STRING BASS

Aiswarya Nair	Baton Rouge Magnet
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## PIANO

Ian Crutchfield	Baton Rouge Magnet
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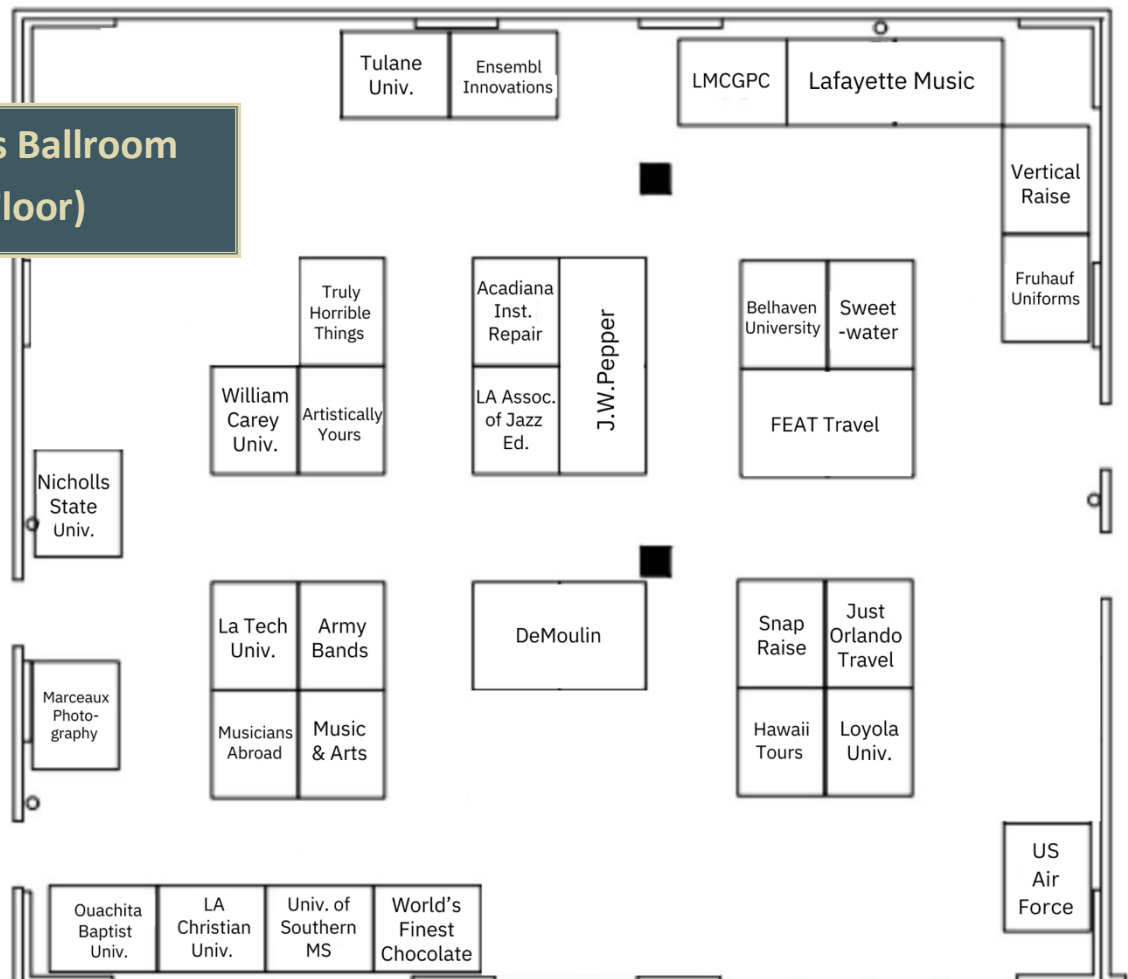
## PERCUSSION

Ryan Ehrenfried	Benton
Chandler Rawson	West Monroe
Nathan Vigneron	Benton
Dalton Rousselle	University-LSU Lab
Keaton Aymond	St. Amant
Brooke Dantin	Central Lafourche
Caden Lex	Parkway
Riley Menard	Dutchtown
Kevin Hazell	Alfred M. Barbe



# Exhibitor Schedule & Map

## St. Charles Ballroom (3<sup>rd</sup> Floor)



## EXHIBITOR SCHEDULE

*THE DISTRICT*

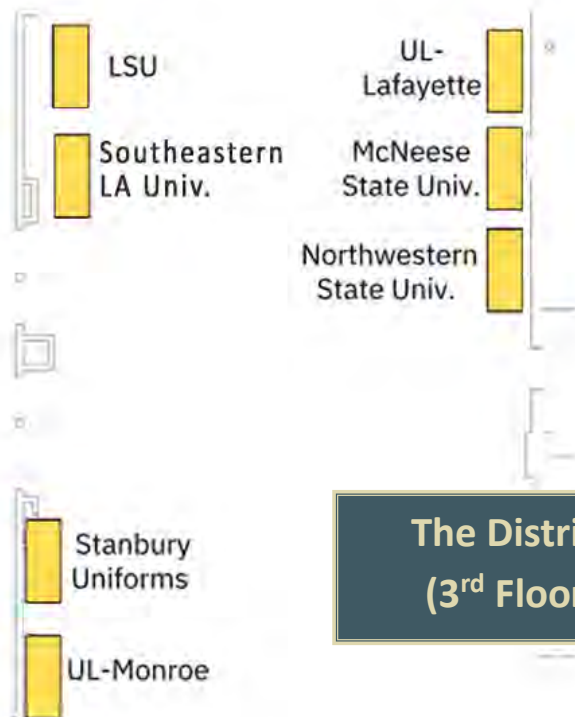
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Saturday 9:00 AM – 6:00 PM

Sunday 8:30 AM – 11:30 AM



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