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Our LMEA conference planning team has poured their hearts and souls into creating an event that is bigger and better than we could have imagined. Get ready for a weekend filled with incredible workshops and performances designed to inspire you and elevate your teaching. This is not just another conference; it's a celebration of our shared passion for music education!

Your experience here is of utmost importance to us, and we want you to leave feeling empowered with new knowledge and excitement about teaching the amazing music students we have in Louisiana. You are invaluable, and we are committed to showing you 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

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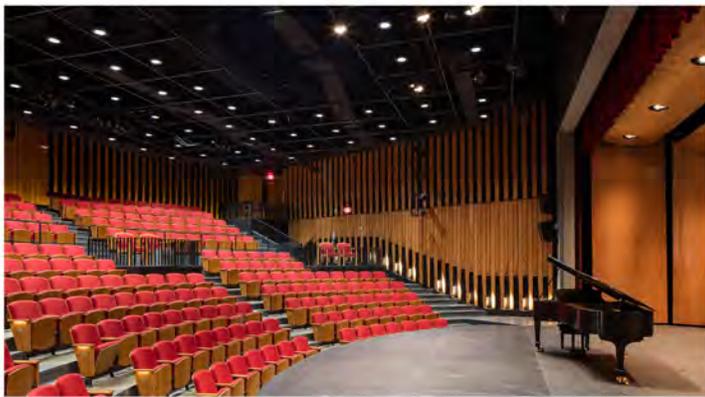
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2025 LMEA All-State Middle School Band

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	Boyet
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	Boyet
Austin Olinde	Catholic
Ava Miller	Boyet
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
Avery Landry	Edgar Martin
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 Conciencie	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
Evan Brown	S.J. Welsh
Gracelyn Walker	Bayou Blue
Ethan Tran	Riser
Eric Crawford, Jr.	Edgar A. Martin
Aaron Rockhold	Mandeville
James McCartt	Sixth Ward
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Lillian Brady	Fontainebleau
Caleb Schneider	West Ridge
Brian Holland	East Ouachita
Chloe Terrell	Kenner Discovery

EUPHONIUM

Logan Cooper	Benton
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William Lashley	East Ouachita
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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 Schulmermich 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.

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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
 Lacey 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.



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	Boyett
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 Fontenet	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
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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
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GUITAR

Henri Hebert	Central
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BASS GUITAR

Robert Ryals	Fontainebleau Jr.
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DRUMS

Calvin Carline	Central
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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 Inmortalidad, 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 Clouatre	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	Ponchatoula
Jace Ard	Fontainebleau
Owen Ducote	Sulphur
Alexander Elsey	Zachary

BASS TROMBONE

Charles Miller	Lafayette
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Sam Houston

Zachary
Riverdale

PIANO

Sabina Martinez	Fontainebleau
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GUITAR

Devon Fitzhugh	St. Michael
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BASS GUITAR

Samm Domingue	A.M. Barbe
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DRUMS

Sam Rotolo	Mandeville
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VOCALIST

Nat Barker	Caddo Magnet
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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

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 vocalist. 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
 Sariah 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
 Trinity Banks
 Sidonie Bayard
 Caelyn Blackwell
 Alaina Blanchard
 Sarah Bowman
 Hadley Cate Buntyn
 Mallory Butler
 Charlotte Carpenter
 Anna Craig
 Kat Fuentes
 Valerie Gongre
 Aubrey Hendricks
 Larissa Huilgol
 Gabriella LeBlanc
 Randilyn Lejeune
 Madison Lenser
 Marlie McLellan
 Aybri Picard
 Kara Price
 Porter Ray
 Lia Reinecke
 Leanne Rios
 Emily Vennen
 Sophia Willett

Chapelle
 Airline
 Baton Rouge Magnet
 St. Amant
 Vandebilt Catholic
 West Monroe
 West Monroe
 Sulphur
 Baton Rouge Magnet
 St. Joseph's Academy
 West Monroe
 Caddo Magnet
 Ouachita Christian
 Willow School
 West Monroe
 Barbe
 Caddo Magnet
 Dutchtown
 West Monroe
 Airline
 West Ouachita
 Chapelle
 Central Lafourche
 St. Joseph's Academy
 Airline

SOPRANO 2

Addalynn Allen
 Norah Authement
 Erin Breaux
 Ada Couvillion
 Keely Crew
 Isabella Dinh
 Lauren Dufrene
 Camille Gehrls
 Layten Hastings
 Ayden Hymel
 Kailani Jackson
 Reese Laborde
 Leah Lopez
 Sarah Mire
 Devyn Moore
 Lily Neal
 Soo Park
 Annaleigh Rawle
 Anastasia Redmann
 Corinne Seals
 Lily Springer
 Audrie St. Cyr
 Ashlyn Underwood
 Anna Wakefield
 Grayson Walden

Airline
 Terrebonne
 CE Byrd
 Avoyelles Public Charter
 West Monroe
 West Monroe
 Hahnville
 Benton
 St. Amant
 Dutchtown
 Baton Rouge Magnet
 Avoyelles Public Charter
 Ponchatoula
 Destrehan
 Benton
 West Monroe
 St. Joseph's Academy
 Airline
 St. Mary's Dominican
 Baton Rouge Magnet
 Barbe
 Slidell
 West Monroe
 Benton
 Alexandria Senior High

ALTO 1

Eva Arena
 Sarah Arnold
 Emerson Casey
 Rylee Cote
 Rylee Day
 Abby Eyer
 Veronica Galliano
 Madilyn Harrison
 Tess Hoychick
 Peyton Klotz
 Dara Lowe
 Savannah Miller
 Addison Nuñez-Francis
 Ashtyn Odom
 Peyton Rachal
 Syd Rinder
 Jayhanna Rue

Central
 Bolton Academy
 Metairie Park Country Day
 Mandeville
 St. Amant
 Tioga
 Central Lafourche
 St. Joseph's Academy
 Vandebilt Catholic
 Chapelle
 West Monroe
 West Monroe
 St. Amant
 West Monroe
 Avoyelles Public Charter
 Caddo Magnet
 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
 Sydney 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 Sebren
 Parker Sonnier
 Cody Thibodeaux
 Titan Thomas
 Elijah Valure

TENOR 2

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

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
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 St. Joseph's Academy
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 Mandeville
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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
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 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

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
 Baton Rouge Magnet
 Baton Rouge Magnet
 West Monroe
 Neville
 Terrebonne
 West Monroe
 C.E. Byrd
 Pineville
 West Ouachita
 Benton
 Airline

BASS 2

Jace Atchison
 Gavin Benton
 Aaron Blood
 Joseph Broadwell
 Canon Burns
 Avery Carmouche
 Robert Crawford
 Davis Dawes
 Matt Deano
 Austin Harkins
 Chance Heffin
 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

West Ouachita
 Central
 Alexandria Senior High
 Alexandria Senior High
 Pineville
 Catholic High
 Fontainebleau
 Catholic High
 Fontainebleau
 Airline
 Providence Classical Academy
 Tioga
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 Hahnville
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 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).

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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

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.

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FLUTE

Darick Harris	Houghton
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 Breaux	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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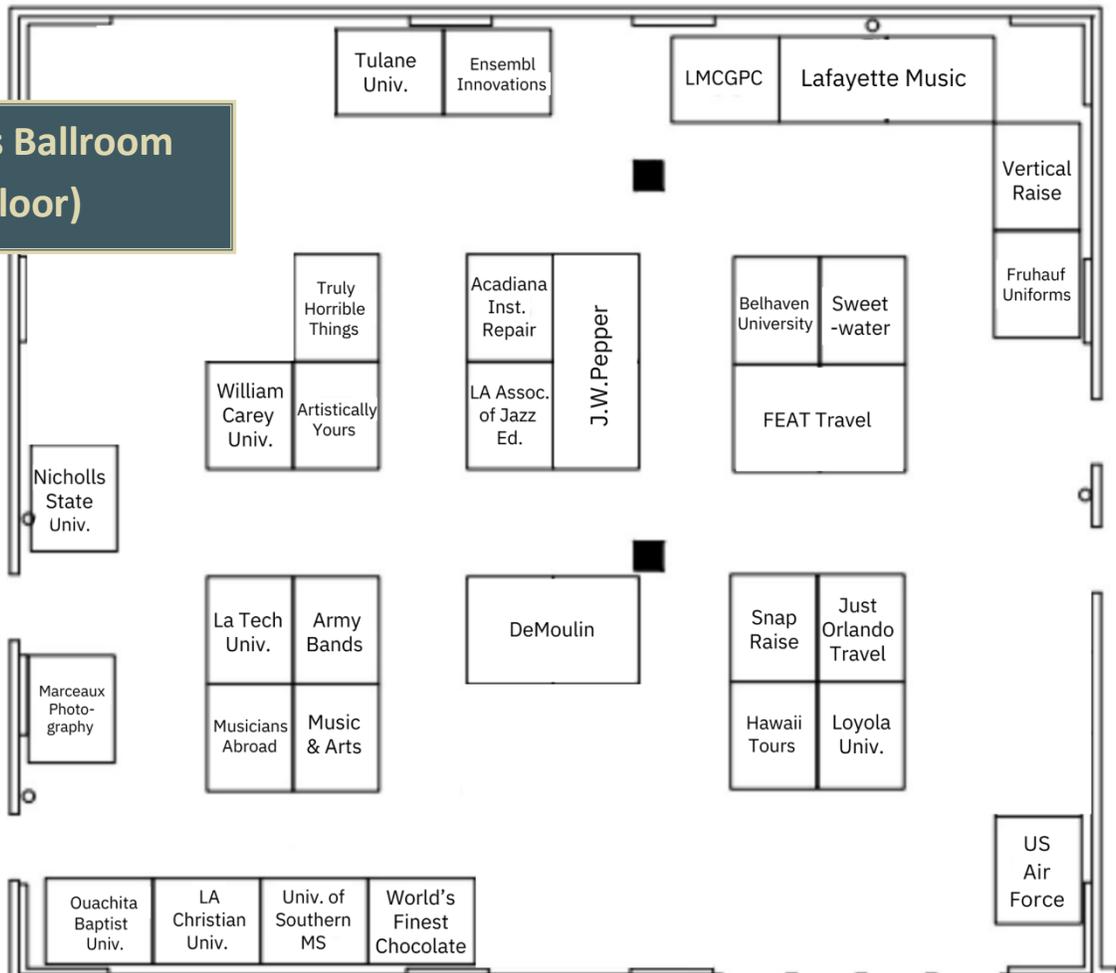
Ian Crutchfield	Baton Rouge Magnet
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PERCUSSION

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 (3rd Floor)



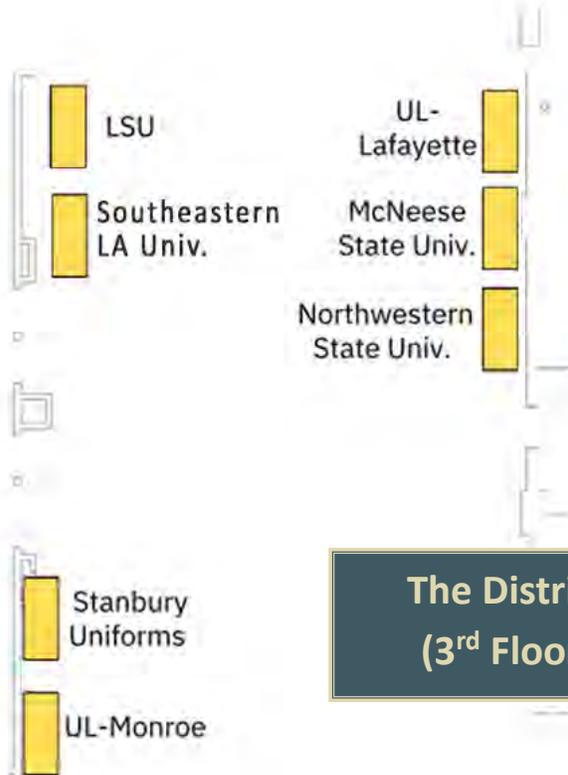
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