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Presents*

THE JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL ALL-COUNTY MUSIC FESTIVAL 2015



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ORCHESTRA

JOHN F. BURMEISTER

BAND

JEREMY TRIMMER

CHORUS

KENT PIERCE

ACCOMPANIST

REBECCA COLE



Valley Central High School
Montgomery, New York
Saturday, April 25, 2015
2:00pm

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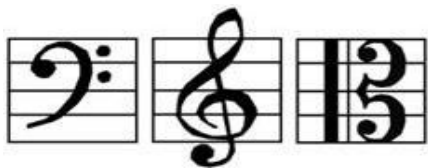
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MUSIC IS TAUGHT IN SCHOOLS...

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CONCERT PROGRAM

Introduction.....Mr. Anthony Ravinsky
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ORCHESTRA

Overture to Nabucco..... Giuseppe Verdi, arr. Dackrow
[Ludwig]
Shenandoah..... arr. Jack Bullock
[Alfred]
Into The Storm.....Robert W. Smith, String Ed., McCashin
[Warner Bros.]

CHORUS

Obwisana..... Dave & Jean Perry
[Hal Leonard]
Wade In The Water..... Brad Printz
[Brilee]
Inscription of Hope..... Z. Randall Stroope
[Hinshaw]
Somebody To Love..... Roger Emerson
[Hal Leonard]
The Lord Bless You and Keep You..... John Rutter
[Hal Leonard]

BAND

March of the Belgian Paratroopers.....Leemans / Swearingen
[Alfred Pub.]
Spoon River.....Grainger /Sheldon
[C.L. Barnhouse]
West Side Story.....Bernstein / Bocock
[Hal Leonard]
Rampage!.....Stalter
[Alfred Pub.]

OCMEA JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL ALL-COUNTY ORCHESTRA

Violin I

Simran Arneja, MW
Maeve Degan, G
Matthew Flakowicz, MW
Julia Grunes, MW
Sydney Jessup, G
Jeremy Kurtz, N
Leo Kwok, M
Daniel Lee, C
Keith Pacia, M
Kristian Pacia, M
Gretta Polsky, WV
Robert Siracuse, G
Jessica Wu, C
Grace Yurchuk, WV

Violin II

Eliana Barth, C
Anna Boese, G
Elizabeth Cartwright, M
Joseph Cuillo, WV
Melissa Dantico, MW
Mason Day, WV
Matthew Hansen, WV
Izabele Horowitz, WV
Ada Johnston, N
Samantha Lombardo, G
Marielle Morley, WV
Brooke Nilson, WV
Eleanor Pyke, WV
Jesus Rodriguez, M
Kim-Le Tran, N
Matthew Tycott, MW

*Strings listed alphabetically

Viola

Victoria Borowski, MW
Emma Cherian, MW
Liam DeMaria, C
Faustina Elia, M
Jacob Gaydos, WV
Danielle Goldbaum, WV
Kendra Gosdon, G
Sydney Magrane, M
Emma McInerney, MW
Davyd Mordvynenko, MW
Alyssa Petrillo, M
Sohan Saha, MW
Cameron TenEyck, M
Andrew Yi, MW

Cello

James Bailey, C
Brittany Bingaman, G
Malcolm Conley, WV
Anusha Dawson, MW
Christian DiTroia, MW
Thea Fernandes, MW
William Fox, WV
Alana Kim, MW
Kajetan Leitner, MW
Alexandra Mendenhall, WV
Sophia Perez, C
Katherine Santic-Centorcilli, M
Arianna Saverino, M
Emily Truncali, WV

Bass

Conor Borthwick, WV
Jemma DeFeo, MW
Aidan Finn, WV
Louis Glickman, C
Alyssa Kamara, MW
Madison Travaglione, MW
Hannah West, MW

Mallets

Kathryn Nicoll, MW

Piccolo

Jamie Marando, W

Flute

Yena Lee, MW
Jessica Packes, W

Oboe

Louis Clifton, W
Erika Bingaman, G

Bassoon

Matthew Negersmith, W
Brendan Cahill, MV

Clarinet

Victor Yang, MW
Tyler Toledo, MW
Emily Chin, W

Bass Clarinet

Erin Wilson, W

French Horn

Fred Mourad, MW
Erin McLoughlin, MW
Elizabeth Tasker, PJ
Jianna Chapman, W

Trumpet

Celesta Blezy, MV
Abie Bitton, MW
Abraham Siskind, MW

Trombone

Enoch Crow, WP
Timothy Steinberger, W
Braden Smith, G

Tuba

Adelle Leger, MV

Percussion

Christian Johnson, MW
Jeff Prosperie, WP
Lillian Nicholson, WV
Liam Hogan, M

OCMEA JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL MIXED CHORUS DIRECTOR



Mr. Kent Pierce is the elementary choral director for the Milton Hershey School in Hershey, Pennsylvania. He conducts the elementary school choir as well as instructs private piano lessons and general music classes.

Mr. Pierce's choir performs at many campus functions for Milton Hershey School as well as off campus functions for the Hershey community and the surrounding area. The choir has performed for organizations such as the Hershey Company Board, America's Promise Alliance chair Alma Powell, and many other community events. Prior to his tenure at the Milton Hershey School, Mr. Pierce was the choral director for the Harrisburg City School District where he conducted choir for grades 5-8 and taught general music classes. During his tenure at the Harrisburg School District, Mr. Pierce's choir sang for former Pennsylvania Lieutenant Governor Catherine Baker Knoll as well as many other local dignitaries in the Harrisburg community. Mr. Pierce has a private piano and voice studio with students ranging in age from elementary to high school students. Mr. Pierce graduated from Messiah College in 2002 with a Bachelor's Degree in Music Education with a concentration in voice. He completed his master's degree in Teaching and Curriculum in 2006. He went on to complete his Principal's Certificate at Temple University in 2009. Mr. Pierce currently resides in Lancaster, Pennsylvania, is married, and has 4 children.

Music is the universal language, which establishes a common bond among all subjects and people. It evokes passionate emotions in the heart and rekindles vibrant memories of the mind. What an enormous impact music has on every aspect of our lives!

OCMEA JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL ALL-COUNTY CHORUS

Soprano

Elisabetta Aversa, C
Kianna Batista, C
Danielle Bellettiere, MV
Sydney Bulla, MW
Kayla Carriaga, MW
Mackenzie Cauda, WV
Lauren Cheshire, PJ
Sarah Cinelli, MV
Alana Collopy, MW
Gabriella Corratro, MW
Maya Diaz, W
Celine Estrada, W
Cassandra Felix, WV
Kathryn Finnigan, W
Rachel Flanagan, PB
Courtney Francis, PB
Katie May Gang, PB
Julia Gerlach, MV
Elizabeth Hamann, MW
Megan Hawryluk, MW
Jessica Henry, C
Colleen Kinsella, MW
DanaMarie Lanuti, MW
Carly Lebda, MW
Alexandra Lombardo, W
Sydney Mayo, C
Christiana Meah, N
Lily Moreno, W
Kathleen Murray, MW
Isabelle Nokland, VC
Erin O' Connor, G
Naomiy Paez, HF
Anya Quinn, CH
Corrine Randazzo, CH
Tara Rao, C
Angelina Rodriguez, M
Olivia Sambataro, T
Kellie Snyder, G
Kayla Solis, N
Jessica Stradley, HF
Christina Whittel, G

Alto

Eyram Agbeli, MW
Patricia Allen, MW
Antonio Amelio, PB
McKellar Ayajha, N
Stefania Bastinck, MW
Sara Beebe, MV
Kristen Boerke, W
Megan Casey, MW
Jillian DenDanto, G
Maggie Duffner, MW
Jessica Ebner, MW
Jessica Eng, C
Isabel Ernenwein, N
Reneah Fedelicio, M
Brianna Flood, WV
Gabrielle Goudreau, PB
Corinne Grainger, MV
Jillian Hernandez, MW
Emma Katzman, MW
Samantha Kurtz, C
Abby Magner, PB
Klaire Martinez, PB
Lorin Miller, MW
Gabriela Mirasola, MW
Andrea Neporanny, W
Jackie Prunier, C
Michaela Reinertsen, HF
Naomi Roach, N
Grace Rocks, MW
Aden Romero, CH
Kennedy Sanok, PJ
Reaan Sarker, MW
Nicole Sarvis, PB
Cameryn Scali, PB
Emily Scherdin, PB
Skylar Strauss, C
Shaylyn Sweeney, MV
Maia Tice, C
Caitlyn Tumminia, C
Jasmine Volz, N

Baritone

Zion Amparo, MW
Jack Aprilante, HF
Brandon Bell, MV
Arianna Bermudez, CH
Jason Bieger, MW
Santo Bucolo, PB
William Carter, MW
Ryan Coloma, MW
Robert Conti, N
Spencer Conti, N
Daniel Cruz, M
Brandon Davis, PB
John DePetris, MW
Guy Divon, MW
Antonio Dominguez, W
Brendan Donnelly, MW
John Drumgoole, MW
Liam Ebner, HF
Oluwaseyi Fadairo, M
Luke Fischer, N
Scott Franco, M
Cameron Franke, C
Luke Gadson, PJ
Justin Garay Ramos, MW
Myles Hall, MW
Eugene Hewitt, W
Zachary Hiller, MW
James Incledon, MW
William Isidro, MW
Yejoong Kim, CH
Jon Koll, MW
Akhilesh Kootala, C
Alex Krause, C
Matthew Levinstein, N
Donovan Long, PB
Anthony Mann, W
Steven Mehling, WV
Matthew Nieves, W
Tristian O'Regan, WV
Justin Polanco, MW
Michael Radigan, PJ
Matthew Rajnert, MV
Geoffrey Rawnsley, MW
Carlo Rossi, N
William Schiele, MV
Brian Scordia, MW
Zach Shrem, C
Josiah Spain, HF
Amya Tabb, CH
Ethan Tuomala, WV
Carl Tyce, HF
Spencer Ward, MW

OCMEA JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL ORCHESTRA CONDUCTOR



John F. Burmeister is a teacher, conductor, and performer residing in the Capital Region of New York. A public school teacher for many years, Mr. Burmeister has taught elementary and middle school orchestra, classroom music, special edu-

cation music, and currently teaches Performing Arts and Orchestral Studies (a program he founded) at Troy Preparatory Elementary School in Troy, NY; a charter school within the prestigious Uncommon Schools network. Additionally, he is a director in the Northeast String Orchestra, a youth orchestra that prides itself on combining high-quality ensemble instruction with a nurturing learning environment. Mr. Burmeister holds a Bachelor of Music degree in Music Education from the Crane School of Music at SUNY Potsdam, and a Master of Music degree in Music Education from Ithaca College. While at Ithaca, he focused on initiating life-long and professional musicianship habits in elementary students. Mr. Burmeister maintains a select private cello studio and enjoys an active performing schedule, and is a member of the National Association for Music Education and the New York State School Music Association. Mr. Burmeister is thrilled to be conducting the 2015 OCMEA Junior High All-County Orchestra, and would like to thank Laura Martellaro and the OCMEA officers for the opportunity to work with such amazing musicians!

OCMEA JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL ALL-COUNTY BAND

Piccolo

Emily Schacher, MW

Flute

Shannon Brady, W
Rachel Goldbaum, WV
Jessica Schuh, MW
Gabrielle Santoro, PJ
Katie Yankovich, WP
Julia Wilkinson, MW
Roseanna Catania, W
Madison Orcutt, PB
Fiona Shackleton, N
Judith Bennett, C
Madison Mitchell, W

Oboe

Justin Gagnon, C
Jamie Wong, G

Bassoon

Brionna Sanchez, W
Mackenzie Thompson, W

Clarinet

Daniel Ip, MW
Alex Cestari, W
Ryan Waaland, W
Gracie Jones, M
Joseph Schatz, G
Aaron Whittle, WP
Joseph Skoufis, PB
Patrick Vilda, C
Brendan Fernandes, MW
Kamryn Cahill, WV
Alexa Gagnon, HF
Anna Bennett, C
Mikaela Gray, M
Michaela Frisbee, W
Gina Chan, PB
Kevin Lindemann, M
Roxanna Delgado, M
Felicia Conneely-Nolan, WV

Bass Clarinet

Daniel Burns, MV
Nicholas Gorton, VC
Brendan McGrath, W

Alto Saxophone

Jake Helpley, W
Jack Teague, C
Clark Shackleton, N
Kelsey Winstanley, C
Jesse Sturtz, W

Tenor Saxophone

Hayden Abrahams, MW
Seth Thompson, WV
Kwame Dinizulu, N
Hayley Jensen, W

Baritone Saxophone

Julia Pena, MW
Aaron Walden, N

French Horn

Elena Kelbley, MW
Adrianna Ciccarelli, PB
Tiffany Beckford, PB
Elise Cassidy, W
Dillon Kane, W
John Michinko, MW
William Leonard, C
Irene Dutescu, W

Trumpet

Alexandra Hendricks, W
Lane Dingwell, N
Gabrielle Rath, PB
Robert Colbath, MW
James Koch, PB
Layne Sullivan, PB
Joelle St. Omer, MW
Ronald Kelson, PB
Lucien Tranchina, G
Jacob Robb, G
Angela Strelevitz, W
Josie Romano, WV

Trombone

Jack Levitsky, WV
Kevin Ha, W
Andrew Wolek, G
Max Wiener, G
Brandon Salazar, HF
Amanda O' Donnell, VC
Jacqueline Santarpia, W
William DeSpirito, HF
Sara Mallory, MW

Euphonium

Rebecca Ferguson, N
Matthew Strelevitz, W
Tessa Lytle, MW
Alex Loeb, M
John Roca, WV
Jillian Landsman, VC
Anthony France, M

Tuba

Nicholas Solek, W
Kelsey Brown, W
Benjamin Sorenson, W

Percussion

Eric Schmidt, MW
Nicolas Magrino, MW
Andrew Klotz, PJ
Rebecca Kramer, VC

Mallets

Ann Marie Persad, GL
Sofia Gandolfo, MW

Timpani

Granger Ottley, WV

OCMEA JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL BAND CONDUCTOR



Jeremy Trimmer is currently in his 13th year as a music educator and joined the Hillgrove High School faculty as the Assistant Director of Bands in July 2013. Prior to his appointment at Hillgrove, Mr. Trimmer served as the Director of Bands at Lost Mountain Middle School in Kennesaw for nine years. While at Lost Mountain MS, the band program flourished to over 420 students in grades six through eight, consistently earned “superior” ratings at GMEA Large Group Performance Evaluations, performed a range of literature from grade level one to five, and consistently placed large numbers of students in both the GMEA District 12 Honor Band and the Georgia All-State Band. In 2008, the Lost Mountain Symphonic Band was invited to perform at The University of Georgia Middle School Band Festival as a “Featured Ensemble” and in 2010, the Lost Mountain Band Program was awarded the “Exemplary Performance Award for Middle School Band” by the Georgia Music Educator’s Association. In 2008, Mr. Trimmer completed his Master’s Degree in Music Education from The University of Illinois @ Champaign-Urbana where he studied conducting with Mr. James Keene. Mr. Trimmer earned his Bachelor’s Degree in Music Education from The University of Georgia in 2001 while also earning a certification in Saxophone Performance. During his time at UGA, he studied saxophone under Dr. Kenneth Fischer, conducting under Dr. Dwight Satterwhite, Dr. John Culvahouse, and Mr. Yoel Levi, and performed with the UGA Wind Ensemble, Wind Symphony, Symphonic Band, Jazz Band I, Graduate Saxophone Quartet, Basketball Band, Derbies Pep Band, and the UGA Redcoat Marching Band. With the Redcoat Band, Mr. Trimmer was fortunate to have the opportunity to serve as a drum major (1997-2000) and band captain (1998-2000). Mr. Trimmer currently resides in Kennesaw, GA and is active as a clinician and adjudicator for both marching and concert bands as well as serving as an instructor for leadership, conducting, and drum major camps/clinics in Georgia and Illinois. He also maintains a semi-active schedule as a freelance musician and light & sound producer in the Atlanta area. Mr. Trimmer was awarded The National Band Associations “Citation of Excellence” in 2008 and his professional affiliations include Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia, GMEA, IMEA, NBA, and MENC.