West Seneca West 2025 Band Festival



West Seneca West Middle School
Symphonic Concert Band & Wind Symphony
West Seneca West High School
Concert Band & Wind Ensemble
Tuesday, March 25, 2025 – 7:00PM
West Seneca West HS Auditorium

Program Cover Design

Daniel Valvo, Trumpet, class of 2006

Program

West Middle Symphonic Concert Band, Meaghen Venitelli, Director

Eclipsys Sean O'Loughlin

Rising Earth Laura Estes

West Senior Concert Band, John Blickwedehl, Director

On the Edge of Tomorrow Michael Sweeney

Yorkshire Ballad James Barnes

Of Dark Lords and Ancient Kings Roland Barrett

West Middle Wind Symphony, Meaghen Venitelli, Director

Miles In The Sky Tyler Grant

Fragile Randall D. Standridge

West Senior Wind Ensemble, John Blickwedehl, Director

Cantus Jubilante David Shaffer

Lincoln Portrait Aaron Copland (abridged) *Mr. John Brinker, narrator* arr. Walter Beeher

Variations on a Korean Folk Song

John Barnes Chance

Grand Finale - Combined Bands

Flight of the Thunderbird Richard Saucedo

Thank you!

To the Band Boosters for support of this concert and festival!

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West Middle Symphonic Concert Band

Meaghen Venitelli, Director

Fl	lute
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Troy Brock
Cobey Cameron
Lily Chadwick
Nathan Cretacci
Camryn George
Abigail Kryszak
Margaret Lattimore
Jackson Randazzo
Kaitlynn Stahl

Clarinet

Malianni Anderson Jace Bak Layla Malmin

Bass Clarinet

Keon Ruzbacki

Alto Saxophone

Sebastian Amoia Robert Forringer Matthew Karalunas Tyler Meier Audriana Pearman

Tenor Saxophone

Lucas Heintz

Trumpet

Nolan Brese Baylie Breidenstein Eric Brown Jr. Dexter Connors Dylan Conway Jr.

Jackson Doyon Patrick Fanning Robert Farrell

Jackson George Brogan Myers William Sellan Caleb Trapp

Hugh Vosseller

French Horn

Lucas Frazier
Gabriel Harding

Trombone

Dylan Barsalou
Thomas Dorsheimer
John Dunlavey
Daniel Galijas
Jayden Massaro
Connor Reagan
James Schueler

Jackson Stachewicz

Baritone

Carter Kawalec Sean Morris Weston Rutecki

Tuba

Aiden Brown Connor Cox

Percussion

Nathan Bukaty
Logan Carr
Ethan Dove
Vanek Goodwin
Adalyn McCreary
Cole Ramirez
Carter Schmidt
Graham Vosseller
James Wilder

West Middle Wind Symphony

Meaghen Venitelli, Director

Flute

Mia Borro

Adrianna Deskiewicz

Lyla Kulinski

Emmeleia Majewski

Madison Waara

Oboe

Katherine Goodman

Clarinet

Jamieson Farrell

Gabriel Gates

Carlee Leydecker

Michael Lubacz

Eli Royer

Kallie Zagorski

Hadassah Zephaniah

French Horn

Kendall Zbrzezny

Alto Saxophone

Augustine Amoia Samantha Toy

Brycen Perry

Exekiel Williamson

Tenor Saxophone

Ariana Chodora

Trumpet

Emily Bryan

Dean Cody

Abigail Duncan

Owen Jachlewski

Daniel Koch

John Margarone Jr.

Emma Strano

Baritone

Lucas Brill

Maxwell Matthews

Trombone

Robert Daunce

Mason DiNardo

Lucas Fratello

Adom Owusu

Jordan Spinelli

Tuba

Max Pawlikowski

Benjamin Wood

Percussion

AvaLynn Dick

Anna Gemza

Kane

Martinez-Bustamante

Harrison Mueckl

Amelia Penders

Thomas Schnaufer

Cassandra Widomski

Elliott Schultz

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West Senior Concert Band

John Blickwedehl, Director

Flute	Bass Clarinet	Trombone
Madilyn Deskiewicz	Chrissy Pirro	Griffin Brock
Leigha Karyczak		Antonio Maybee
	Alto Saxophone	Jordan Ray
Bassoon	Michael Avery	Owen Regan
Patrick Melohusky	Connor Gebauer	
Ilona Tikkanen		Euphonium
	Trumpet	Jayden Murrett
Clarinet	Macen Fontana	
Noah Bielecki	Luke Penrod	Tuba
Lilly Boody	Joey Randazzo	Randy Zawadzki
Abigail Lafferty	Luke Wallace	
Zachary Lattimore		Percussion
	French Horn	Tyler Breidenstein
	Katie Fannan	Joshua Chatham
		Jake Drabik
		Parker Marcynski
		Carl Radtke

Thank you!

The West Seneca West Bands would like to thank the following for their help this week and in the planning of this festival:

Our concert chaperones

West Seneca Music Department Faculty and Staff

West Middle and West Senior Faculty and Staff

West Seneca Band Boosters

West Seneca Buildings and Grounds

Families of our band students!!

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West Senior Wind Ensemble

John Blickwedehl, Director

Flute	Alto Saxophone	Trumpet
Allison Culliton	Anthony Aguglia	Cameron Blickwedehl
Micah Daunce	Brandon Christie	Luke Doetterl
Emma Dawson	Caleb Drapeau	Aiden Gregorczyk
	Jonah Higgins	Landon Hitt
Oboe	Andrew Hunneshagen	Emmaus Internicola
Erin Hagler	Leo Mendel	Collin Pellerin
	Richard Schack	Tyler Sledz
Clarinet		
Sydney Casselberry	Tenor Saxophone	Trombone
David Gilbert	Brady Baumgarten	Roger Griffiths
Victoria Litwin	Ethan Stedman	Lennon Morgan
Landon Resch		
Olivia Stoddard	Baritone Saxophone	Euphonium
Adria Zakowicz	Carter Sainsbury	Nathan Fish
	Josh Wright	Colin Rogowsky
Bass Clarinet		
Damien Penrod	Tuba	Percussion
Claire Scott	Lillian Adey	Finn Crossan
	Brady Januchowski	Aiden DiLucente
French Horn	Ezekiel Rebmann	Ben Kovach
Eric Majewski		Nicholas Perrelli

Guests over the Years

Peter Perrelli Ashton Walker

2024 - Dr. Ward Miller, composer, conductor 2023 - Richard Saucedo, composer, conductor 2022 - Brian Balmages, composer, conductor 2019 - Beth Fabrizio, conductor 2018 - Chris Grifa, conductor 2017 - Dr. Beth Peterson, conductor 2016 – Dr. Ward Miller, composer, conductor 2015 - Richard Saucedo, composer, conductor 2014 - David Shaffer, composer, conductor 2010-2013 - West Middle 7th & 8th Grade Bands, John Hasselback, director 2009 - Dr. Paula Holcomb, Conductor - SUNY Fredonia 2008 - Clarence Barber, Composer - Ludwig Music Publishing 2006 - Tom Lukowicz, Tuba - Canton Symphony Orchestra 2005 - Dr. Rick Flemming, Buffalo State College 2004 - Kenmore East High School - Phil Agulia, director 2003 - Erie County Wind Ensemble - John Maguda, conductor

A Message from Randall Standridge, composer...



Dear Music Student...

As we approach the end of the academic year, I have just one thing to say to you...

Stay in Band. Stay in Orchestra. Stay in Choir.

You are learning things more deeply in these classes than you will in any others.

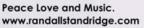
You are learning self-worth, self-respect, reslience, work ethic, leadership, community, and compassion.

You are building relationships that will last for the rest of your lives.

In 8th grade, I almost quit band because it challenged me past my self perceived limitations.

I stuck with it and it changed my life.

Let it change yours too. It already is.





"I propose that the reading and understanding of music be taught to our children from the very beginning of their school life; that they learn to participate with enthusiasm in the study of music from kindergarten through high school. No child is tone deaf; every child has the natural ability and desire to assimilate musical ideas and comprehend their combinations into musical forms. Every child can be taught to read music as he or she is taught to read words; and there is no reason why both kinds of reading cannot be taught simultaneously. ... Children must receive musical instruction as naturally as food, and with as much pleasure as they derive from a baseball game. And this must happen from the beginning of their school lives."

Leonard Bernstein, New York City, 1977, testimony before the House Subcommittee on Select Education regarding a bill calling for a White House Conference on the Arts

Marching Band

West Seneca Marching Band - Sign-up Online Today

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Upcoming Events

District Jazz Festival

Thursday, May 1 @ 7:00PM @ West Senior

Mothers Day Concert @ OLV Basilica

Thursday, May 8 @ 7:00PM

District Budget Vote & School Board Elections

Tuesday, May 20 @ East Senior

West Middle Spring 7/8 Band Concert

Thursday, May 29 @ 7:00PM

West Senior - Tribute to Seniors Concert

Monday, June 9 @ 7:00PM

Thank you!

The West Seneca West Bands would like to thank the following for their time, energy and support of our music program!

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Eve Roushey - Orchestra Director

John Hasselback – Low Brass Instructor, Jazz Ensemble Director