

# The Wind Ensemble

"Vive la France!"

Shawn Smith, conductor

Special Guests:
Hickory Ridge High School Wind Ensemble
Chris White, conductor

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An American Spectacular- "A Musical History of the United States" arr. Chris Sharp

The Search for the Lost Colony

Ed Kiefer

West Side Story

Leonard Bernstein arr. Jay Bocook

At a Dixieland Jazz Funeral

**Jared Spears** 

Anne R. Belk Theater Robinson Hall for the Performing Arts Tuesday, February 20, 2018 | 7:30 pm arts.uncc.edu

# **UNC Charlotte Wind Ensemble**

## Overture to La Belle Héléne

Jacques Offenbach arr. Lawrence Odom

## Suite Française

Darius Milhaud

- 1. Normandie
- 2. Bretagne
- 3. Alsace-Lorraine
- 4. Provence

## Paris Sketches- Homages for Band

Martin Ellerby

- 1. Saint-Germain-des-Prés
- 2. Pigalle
- 3. Père Lachaise
- 4. Les Halles

# **Ensemble Personnel**

### Piccolo

Lydia Robinson

#### Flute

Danielle Dameron\* Nacosia Massey Bryanna McKeon Jason Pullen Madison Snelson

### Bassoon

Chris Moser\* Gina Vannais

### Clarinet

Gavin Fulker
Kellie Joyner
Chelsea Karpeh\*
Elizabeth Lanier
Mari Jane Sutton
Kristian Vasquez
Dillon Zhong

#### **Bass Clarinet**

Connor Beck Deanna Glenn\*

## Alto Sax

Avery Bumgarner Bryce Harris\* Caroline O'Connor Tucker Smith

#### **Tenor Sax**

Jackson Cini Matthew Nofsinger

### Bari Sax

Tori Mitchell

## **Trumpet**

Cameron Beaver
Daniel Butler
Kevin Butler
Richard Hall\*
Liam McMahon
Andrew Sokolowski

#### Horn

Taylor Kennedy Joshua Murray Benjamin Shafer\* Tyler Story T.J. Zuber

### **Trombone**

Nicholas Carl Will Cochran Patrick Foray\*

## **Euphonium**

lan Gragg Riley Kirwan\*

#### Tuba

Matthew Locklin\* Bryson Harding

## Percussion

Jacob Bohan\*
Evan Corey
Charles Mashburn
Chris Merida
Raven Pfeiffer

## Timpani

Nick Francis\*

\*Principal

# Biographies



Shawn Smith is Director of Bands and Associate Professor of Conducting at UNC Charlotte. In high demand as a band and orchestra conductor, clinician, and adjudicator, Smith has been invited to conduct professional and educational ensembles throughout the United States and conducts regularly in South America. His professional engagements

include concerts with the State Symphonic Band of São Paulo (Brazil), the Symphonic Band of Córdoba (Argentina), the Corpus Christi Symphony (Texas), and members of the Charlotte Symphony (North Carolina). Most recently, Smith served as conductor of the Montana All-State Band.

Equally at home with opera and musical theater productions, Smith has conducted pit orchestras for *The Marriage of Figaro* and a six-week run of *Les Misérables*. His performances have been heard frequently on American Public Media's Performance Today, the most popular classical music radio program in the United States.

Smith has presented numerous rehearsal and conducting clinics in the United States, Europe, and South America. His rehearsal clinic at the 2009 International Midwest Band and Orchestra Clinic in Chicago was attended by over 400 band and orchestra directors from around the world. As a public school teacher, Smith served as Director of Bands and Orchestra at one of the largest high schools in Idaho, where he administered a comprehensive instrumental music program. While at Meridian High School, ensembles under his direction were distinguished as among the finest in the state.

As Director of Bands at Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi, he was twice awarded the Texas A&M System Teaching Excellence Award. Smith was also awarded Second Prize in Band Conducting in the 2015 American Prize competition.



Chris White is Director of Bands at Hickory Ridge High School where he oversees a comprehensive band program consisting of Concert Band, Symphonic Band, Wind Ensemble, Jazz Ensemble, Marching Band, Musical Pit Orchestra, chamber ensembles, and Advanced Placement Music Theory. Under his direction, ensembles at Hickory Ridge consistently receive superior ratings at marching, concert, jazz, and solo festivals. The Hickory Ridge Blue Regiment has twice

performed in the prestigious London New Year's Day Parade, in 2009 and 2016. The Hickory Ridge Wind Ensemble will travel to China in March 2018 at the invitation of the US-China Cultural and Educational Foundation, and will present a series of public concerts in Shanghai and Beijing. In addition, over the past ten years, Mr. White's concert ensembles have also performed in Washington, D.C., New York, Orlando, and New Orleans. Mr. White's students consistently participate in county, district, state, and collegiate honor band clinics. Prior to Mr. White's appointment at Hickory Ridge, he taught for six years in the Charlotte-Mecklenburg school system.

Mr. White attended Bridgewater College (Virginia), where he received the Bachelor of Arts in Music degree with honors. He began his graduate studies as a Graduate Teaching Assistant to University Bands at Radford University, where he studied trumpet and conducting with Mark Camphouse. After moving to Charlotte, NC to begin his teaching career, he completed his graduate studies at Winthrop University as a student of Dr. Bill Malambri, where he earned the Master of Music in Instrumental Conducting degree. He became a National Board Certified teacher in 2006.

Mr. White was selected as Hickory Ridge High School Teacher of the Year in 2015, and was a top five finalist for Cabarrus County Schools Teacher of the Year. He has previously received recognition as Charlotte-Mecklenburg New Band Director of the Year in 1999, the 2001 E.E. Waddell High School Teacher of the Year, and received the Horace Mann Crystal Apple Award for outstanding teaching. He has served as clinician, adjudicator, and guest conductor for many marching and concert events.

His professional memberships include the American School Band Directors Association (ASBDA), North Carolina Music Educators Association (NCMEA), National Association for Music Education (NAfME), and the International Trumpet Guild. He is a member of Phi Mu Alpha, Pi Kappa Lambda, and Omicron Delta Kappa fraternities.

# **UNC Charlotte Bands**

The UNC Charlotte Band program consists of two concert bands, jazz ensemble, jazz combos, chamber music, basketball band, and the "Pride of Niner Nation" Marching Band. Established in 2005, the "Pride of Niner Nation" has grown to nearly 200 students and has become well-known throughout the Southeast. The band has been invited to perform exhibition at numerous marching competitions, for the Carolina Panthers, and for the Charlotte Hornets. This June, the band will travel to Normandy, France to represent the United States at official ceremonies of the 74th D-Day Commemoration.

The UNC Charlotte Wind Ensemble is the university's most advanced organization for winds and percussion, performing a wide variety of music from traditional to contemporary. The Wind Ensemble generally presents two concerts per semester on campus and frequently gives concert tours throughout North Carolina and the Southeast. Past honors include invitations for performance at the state conference of the North Carolina Music Educators Association and a regional conference of the College Band Directors National Association. The Wind Ensemble regularly works with guest conductors from the United States and abroad and is active in the commissioning of new music for winds, including a recent collaboration with dancers in the world premiere of composer John Allemeier's Sadie.

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# College of Arts + Architecture **Upcoming Events**

### **FEBRUARY**

The Long Christmas Ride Home Wed Feb 21- Sat Feb 24 | 7:30 pm by Paula Vogel

Sun Feb 25 | 2:00 pm

Black Box Theater

Jessica Lindsey and Christian Bohnenstengel Mon Feb 26 | 7:30 pm

Faculty & Friends Concert Series Rowe Recital Hall

**MARCH** 

Art & Art History Alumni Exhibition Thu Mar 15 | 5:00 pm

Rowe Galleries Opening Reception

Faculty Spotlight Mon Mar 19 | 7:30 pm

Faculty & Friends Concert Series Rowe Recital Hall

Spring Dance Concert Thu Mar 22- Sat Mar 24 | 7:30 pm

Sun Mar 25 | 2:00 pm

Anne R. Belk Theater

**APRIL** 

2D/3D BFA Exhibition Mon Apr 9 | 5:00 pm

Opening Reception Rowe Galleries

Thu Apr 19- Sat Apr 21 & Mon Apr 23 | 7:30 pm The Wiz Sun Apr 22 | 2:00 pm By William O. Brown & Charlie Smalls

Anne R. Belk Theater

Please join us for the next Wind Ensemble concert!

Monday, April 30, 2018 | 7:30pm Anne R. Belk Theater

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