

The Western District Bandmasters Association

Presents
**2016 Western District
Music Performance Adjudication**



Smoky Mountain High School
Sylva, North Carolina
March 15, 16, 17, and 18

Adjudicators

March 15 and 16 (grade 4 – 6 bands)

Dr. Mark Britt - Furman University

Dr. Jaclyn Hartenberger - University of Georgia

Scott Clowes - Charlotte, NC

Chris Cole - Kings Mountain, NC

March 17 and 18 (grade 1 – 3 bands)

Rodney Workman - Central Davidson HS

Alice Aldredge - Northwest Cabarrus MS

David Stroud - Newport MS

Connie Weeks - Pisgah HS

Day 1 · Tuesday, March 15, 2016

8:50am Smoky Mountain High School Band

Andrew Umphlett, Director

	The Black Horse Troop	John Phillip Sousa
V	October	Eric Whitacre
	Toccata for Band	Frank Erickson

2:15pm West Henderson High School Wind Ensemble

Allen Klaes, Director

	Orange Bowl	Henry Fillmore
VI	Pale Blue On Deep	Aaron Perrine
	Original Suite	Gordon Jacob

9:35am West Henderson High School Concert Band

Allen Klaes, Director

	Project March	Harold Bennett
IV	Mountain Country Dances	Johnnie Vinson
	Spirals of Light	Sean O'Loughlin

3:10pm Brevard High School Wind Ensemble

Jim Leatherwood, Director

	March of the Belgian Paratroopers	Pierre Leemans
VI	Irish Tune From County Derry and Sheppard's Hey	Percy Grainger
	Second Suite in F	Gustav Holst

10:05am McDowell High School Concert Band

Jenny Lanier, Director

	Omaha Beach	John Edmondson
IV	Circle in a Square	Ed Kiefer
	Chesford Portrait	James Swearingen

3:50pm North Henderson High School Wind Ensemble

Steve Sigmon, Director

	Revival	John Phillip Sousa
VI	Espana Rhapsody	Chabrier/Calliet/Rodgers
	Celebrations	John Zdechlik

12:15pm Asheville High School Concert Band

Jonathan Bass, Director

	Lexington March	Karl King
IV	Kentucky 1800	Clare Grundman
	Blue Ridge Saga	James Swearingen

4:30pm TC Roberson High School Symphonic Band

James Kirkpatrick, Director

	Florentiner March	Julius Fucik
VI	Hounds of Spring	Alfred Reed
	Abram's Pursuit	David R. Holsinger

12:45pm TC Roberson High School Concert Band

James Kirkpatrick, Director

	United Nations March	Karl King
IV	Gate City Snapshot	Nathan Daughtrey
	Centuria	James Swearingen

5:10pm AC Reynolds Symphonic Band

Sean Smith, Director

	Pentland Hills	Captain Jimmy Howe
MW	Suite of Old American Dances	Robert R Bennett
	Zampa	Herold arr. Safranek

1:45pm North Henderson High School Concert Band

Steve Sigmon, Director

	Project March	Harold Bennett
IV	Night Cries	Elliot Del Borgo
	The Great Locomotive Chase	Robert W. Smith

Day 2 · Wednesday, March 16, 2016

8:50am Pisgah High School Band

Adam Stewart, Director

	The Trombone King	Karl King
IV	Trail of Tears	James Barnes
	American Riversongs	Pierre La Plante

2:15pm McDowell High School Wind Ensemble

Jenny Lanier, Director

	Spirit of Liberty	William Owens
V	Raging Machines	Brian Balmages
	At Dawn they Slept	Jay Bocook

9:35am Rosman High School Band

Chelsey Montgomery, Director

	Le Sabre	Eric Osterling
III/IV	Appalachian Folk Song Suite	William Harbinson
	Arabian Dances	Roland Barrett

3:10pm Tuscola High School Symphonic Band

Tim Wise and Dillon Ingle, Directors

	TBA	
VI	Colorado Peaks	Dana Wilson
	Symphonic Dance No. 3	Clifton Williams

10:05am AC Reynolds High School Concert Band

Sean Smith, Director

	Command March	John Edmondson
IV	Circle in a Square	Ed Kiefer
	Blue Ridge Saga	James Swearingen

3:50pm Hendersonville High School Symphonic Band

James Phillips, Director

	The Klaxon	Henry Fillmore
VI	Third Suite	Robert Jager
	Sevens	Samuel R. Hazo

12:15pm Asheville Christian Academy School Band

Alexander Panagiotacos, Director

	The Thunderer	John Phillip Sousa
IV	Australian Up Country Tune	Percy Grainger
	Among the Clouds	Brian Balmages

4:30pm North Buncombe High School Wind Ensemble

Andrew Shelton, Director

	Americans We	Henry Fillmore
VI	Light Cavalry	Franz von Suppe
	Sevens	Samuel R. Hazo

12:45pm North Buncombe High School Concert Band

Andrew Shelton, Director

	His Honor	Henry Fillmore
IV	Among the Clouds	Brian Balmages
	Blue Ridge Saga	James Swearingen

5:10pm Asheville High School Wind Ensemble

Emily Talley, Director

	March of the Belgian Paratroopers	Pierre Leemans
VI	Elsa's Procession to the Cathedral	Richard Wagner
	The Divine Comedy	Robert W. Smith

1:45pm Hendersonville High School Concert Band

James Phillips, Director

	Activity March	Harold Bennett
IV	Lament and Tribal Dances	Michael Sweeney
	Mountain Dances	Ed Kiefer

Day 3 · Thursday, March 17, 2016

8:50am Asheville Middle School 7th Grade Concert Band

Kevin Young, Director

	Fleur-de-lis	Sandy Feldstein/ Clark
II	Fanfare on a Theme of Imagination	Brian Balmages
	Carpathia	William Owens

2:15pm Brevard Middle School 8th Grade Band

Donnie Mulligan, Director

	Valley Forge March	John Edmondson
III	Two British Folk Songs	Elliot Del Borgo
	Curse of the Scorpion	Rob Grice

9:35am Waynesville Middle School 7th Grade Band

Stephen Parris and Jaime Graeber, Directors

	Activity March	Harold Bennett
II	The Curse of Tutankhamun	Michael Story
	Pinnacle	Rob Grice

3:10pm Table Rock Middle School Band

Trey Simpson, Director

	Lexington March	John Edmondson
II/III	Northlake Festival Overture	James Curnow
	Serengeti Dreams	Robert W. Smith

10:05am North Buncombe Middle School 7th Grade Band

Misty Theisen and Shawn Benfield, Directors

	Swashbuckler's March	Mark Williams
II	Zeal	Rob Grice
	Asian Folk Rhapsody	Richard L. Saucedo

3:40pm North Buncombe Middle School 8th Grade Band

Shawn Benfield and Misty Theisen, Directors

	March of the Irish Dragoons	Andrew Balent
III	The Bonsai Tree	Julie Giroux
	Romanian Dances	Elliot Del Borgo

12:15pm Asheville Middle School 8th Grade Symphonic Band

Amy Shaffer, Director

	Summit March	Harold Bennett
III	Moscow, 1941	Brian Balmages
	Danse Carnivale	Randall Standridge

4:10pm Hayesville High School Band

Jennifer Gibson, Director

	March to Castle Rock	Mark Williams
III	The Red Balloon	Anne McGinty
	When Summer Takes Flight	Robert W. Smith

12:40pm East McDowell Middle School 8th Grade Band

Christopher Wilson, Director

	Ol' Glory March	James Swearingen
I/II	Aztec Dance	Michael Story
	Thunder Bay Legend	David Shaffer

6:00pm Swain County High School Band

Karen Williams Lanning, Director

	Loyalty	Larry Clark
III	A Joyful Journey	Robert Sheldon
	Two British Folk Songs	Elliot Del Borgo

1:05pm Cane Creek Middle School Advanced 7th Grade Band

Clif Dodson, Director

	Summit March	Larry Clark
II	Meeting at Tryon Palace	Richard L. Saucedo
	Abandoned Treasure Hunt	Rob Grice

6:30pm Tuscola High School Concert Band

Dillon Ingle and Tim Wise, Directors

	Grand Galop	Johnnie Vinson
III/IV	Phasing Thunder	Brian Balmages
	Nathan Hale Trilogy	James Curnow

1:45pm Enka Middle School School Band

Kevin Kimbrough, Director

	March Triumphant	James Ployhar
II	Labyrinth	Michael Story
	Silvergate Overture	John Edmondson

7:00pm East Henderson High School Band

Taylor Kay Sanders, Director

	Command March	John Edmondson
III/IV	Cold Mountain Saga	Larry Clark
	The Great Locomotive Chase	Robert W. Smith

Day 4 · Friday, March 18, 2016

8:50am Jackson County 7th and 8th Grade Band

Kelly Saunders, Director

	Valley Forge March	John Edmondson
II	Silvergate Overture	John Edmondson
	Labyrinth	Michael Story

1:45pm Apple Valley Middle School 8th Grade Band

Ryan Summers, Director

	Lexington March	John Edmondson
III	Windsongs	David Shaffer
	Bristol Bay Legend	Robert Sheldon

9:35am Swain County Middle School Band

Karen Williams Lanning, Director

	Spitfire	Michael Story
I/II	Suo Gan	John Higgins
	Queenwood Overture	Anne McGinty

2:15pm Waynesville Middle School 8th Grade Band

Stephen Parris and Jaime Graeber, Directors

	Newcastle March	Johnnie Vinson
III	Convergence	Larry Clark
	Moscow, 1941	Brian Balmages

10:05am Macon Middle School Honors Band

Thomas Graham, Director

	Conquista	David Shaffer
II	Brookside Festival	James Curnow
	Mystic Journey	Robert Sheldon

3:10pm Robbinsville High School Band

Jameson C. Stout, Director

	Friends of Freedom	Timothy Loest
III	Dark Forest	Matt Perkins
	Joy	Frank Ticheli

12:15pm Apple Valley Middle School 7th Grade Band

Ryan Summers, Director

	March of the Majestics	Robert Sheldon
II	Apollo Fanfare	Robert W. Smith
	Celtic Air and Dance	Michael Sweeney

3:40pm Valley Springs Middle School 8th Grade Band

Anthony W. Ammons, Director

	Guardians of Liberty	Paul Murtha
III	Two Celtic Folksongs	Paul Lavender
	Meeting at Tryon Palace	Richard L. Saucedo

12:40pm West McDowell Middle School 8th Grade Band

John G. Ballard, Director

	Gateway March	Eric Osterling
I/II	Midnight Sky	Brian Balmages
	Engines of Resistance	Larry Clark

4:10pm Cane Creek Middle School Honors Symphonic Band

Clif Dodson and Bryon Graeber, Directors

	Darklands March	Randall Standridge
III	Canterbury Walk	Carl Strommen
	Onward!	Gary Gilroy

1:05pm Hendersonville Middle School 8th Grade Band

Buddy Gudger, Director

	Kitty Hawk March	John Edmondson
III	Northpointe Fantasy	James Swearingen
	Moscow, 1941	Brian Balmages

Adjudicators for The Western District 2016 MPA

Scott Clowes (b. 1964) has been on the faculty at East Mecklenburg High School since 1987, serving as Assistant Director of Bands and, beginning in 1992, as the Director of Bands. During this time and continuing to the present he has also served as Assistant Director of Bands at McClintock & Crestdale Middle Schools. Mr. Clowes graduated from Duquesne University in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania with a B.S. in Music Education. While at Duquesne, he studied music history with Joseph Wilcox Jenkins, brass with Dr. Donald S. Reinhardt of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania and Rodger Sherman of the Pittsburgh Symphony. He completed his Masters Degree at Winthrop University in Rock Hill, South Carolina under the direction of Dr. William Malambri. He is a member of the Carolina Wind Symphony, North Carolina Music Educators' Association, American School Band Directors Association, North Carolina Band Association, South-Central District Band Association, Pi Kappa Lambda and the Music Educators National Conference. His marching and concert bands have consistently received superior ratings and first place awards. These include over one hundred superior ratings at marching band festivals and twenty-five superior ratings at North Carolina State Concert Festival. His Symphonic Band performed at the 2001 North Carolina State Music Educators Convention. Since 1994 his bands have commissioned and premiered seven works for band including *Britannic Variants* by Elliot Del Borgo, *Century Point* by Robert Sheldon, *Twin Oaks* by James Barnes, *Inventions from "The Sacred Harp"* by James Curnow, *Chase* by Dr. W. Francis McBeth, *Forever Shining* by James Swearingen and *Black Magic (published as Evocatio)* by Brian Balmages.

Christopher H. Cole is the grandson of the late D.C. Cole, a bandmaster and musical pioneer from Rutherford County, North Carolina, and a member of the North Carolina Bandmasters Hall of Fame. He attended Western Carolina University, earning a B.S. Degree in Music Education and an M.M.E. Degree. He began his teaching career in Kings Mountain, NC in 1976, completing a distinguished career and retiring in 2005. Mr. Cole has served as the Vice Chairman of the South Central District Bandmasters Association and received their "Award of Excellence" in 1992. He was the 2005 North Carolina recipient of the National Band Association's "Citation of Excellence." Mr. Cole was inducted into the North Carolina Bandmasters Hall of Fame in November 2011. His professional affiliations include membership in the NCMEA, MENC, ASBDA, Kappa Kappa Psi Honorary Band Fraternity and the International Trumpet Guild. He plays trumpet in the Carolinas Wind Orchestra and performs with Continental Divide, a Charlotte based rhythm and blues band. He has served as conductor/guest clinician for numerous All County and All District bands and has served as adjudicator in North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia, Georgia and Arizona. He is active as a guest adjudicator at Carowinds Festival of Music. He presently teaches at Piedmont Community Charter School in Gastonia, NC. Over the years, Mr. Cole's personal musical performances have taken him to France, Switzerland, Germany, England, Belgium, Austria, Holland, Australia, Ireland and Spain.

David Stroud, a native of Kinston, NC, received his Bachelor of Music Education degree in 1998 from East Carolina University. Following graduation, he taught beginning strings and instrumental music at Wintergreen Intermediate in Pitt County, NC. After a year at Wintergreen, Mr. Stroud moved to Carteret County where he taught instrumental music at Broad Creek Middle School from 1999-2001. Currently, Mr. Stroud is the director of bands at Newport Middle School and has been there since the school opened in 2001. At Newport Middle, he has had the honor of being selected as the 2003-2004 Newport Middle School Teacher of the Year. Mr. Stroud is also a National Board Certified Teacher as well as a member of the prestigious American School Band Directors Association. Under his direction, his concert bands, have received consistent and consecutive superior ratings with his separate seventh and eighth grade bands at the North Carolina Music Performance Adjudication. In addition, the Newport Middle School Band was honored to be one of the performing ensembles at the North Carolina Music Educators Association Convention in Winston Salem in November of 2010. Mr. Stroud is an active guest clinician and adjudicator in North Carolina and Virginia, and has the privilege of being a conductor at the East Carolina University Summer Band Camp in Greenville, NC. Mr. Stroud resides in Newport with his wife, Carrie, their two sons, Damon, Camden, and daughter, Avery Elizabeth.

Dr. Jaclyn Hartenberger serves as Associate Director of Bands and Assistant Professor of Music at the University of Georgia where she conducts the Wind Symphony and teaches conducting. Dr. Hartenberger received her Master of Music and Doctor of Musical Arts in Conducting for The University of Texas at Austin, where she studied with Jerry F. Junkin. She received her Bachelor of Music Education degree from the University of North Texas, where she performed and recorded with the prestigious UNT Wind Symphony. Dr. Hartenberger's public school teaching experiences include developing award winning band programs in the Dallas/Ft. Worth area. Dr. Hartenberger has served as a visiting conductor for many national and international ensembles, some including the West Point Band in New York; the Santa Fe Concordia Winds in Santa Fe, New Mexico; and the Winter Festival band in South Brazil. Dr. Hartenberger has presented at professional workshops/clinics that focused on ensemble concepts for the developing performer at the GMEA IN-Service conference for Georgia music educators. Her professional affiliations are the College Band Directors National Association, Georgia Music Educators Association, and the National Association for music Education.

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Rodney K. Workman is the Director of Bands at Central Davidson High School in Lexington, NC. He received a Bachelor of Music degree in Music Performance and Music Education from Appalachian State University. For the past 8 years he has team taught 6-12 band classes at Central and was the lead band director at Central Davidson Middle where his bands received only Superior Ratings at District MPA every year in Grades II, III and IV. In that time he also assisted with the after school Marching Band and Wind Ensemble at the high school and this summer transitioned to be the lead director of the high school where he teaches all concert bands and assist at the MS- serving more than 480 students each day. In addition to his school work he has served on staff of Cannon Music Camp, Mars Hill University Summer Music Camp and is also a conductor of the "Carolina Ambassador's Honor Band" which tours the U.K., France, Switzerland, Austria, Germany and Italy giving concerts in each country during June and July. Mr. Workman has been the recipient of the "First Year Teacher of the Year" award while teaching in Burke County was selected as the 2011-2012 "Teacher of the Year" at Central Davidson Middle as well as being selected as a finalist for the same award for the Davidson County School System. He was also selected to receive the "Encore Award" from the American School Band Directors Association and was recently elected into the membership of that group. Mr. Workman is active in the North Carolina Bandmasters Association having served as the Section Delegate for Band on the NCMEA Board, High School All State Clinic Chair and district Representative on the Concert Band MPA Committee. He currently serves at the Chair of the State MPA Committee and as President-Elect of the Bandmasters Association. He is active in the Northwest District where he has served as Secretary/Chair-Elect, and currently serves as the Middle School Audition Site Host and District Chair. He is also a member of the National Band Association, the American School Band Director's Association, the Gamma Beta Phi Society, Kappa Delta Pi and Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia Fraternity.

Dr. Mark E. Britt, trombonist, joined the faculty of Furman University as the low brass professor in 1995 and was appointed Chair of the Music Department in 2010. As conductor, chamber musician, or soloist, he has appeared at the Midwest Band and Orchestra Clinic, the International Trombone Festival, MENC Southern Division Conference, the CBDNA Southern Division Conference, the International Brassfest, the International Horn Symposium, the International Trumpet Conference, the Eastern Trombone Workshop, Piccolo Spoleto, and the Spoleto USA Festival as well as MEA Conferences in Georgia, Virginia, South Carolina, and North Carolina. Traveling abroad, he has performed recitals and concerts in Austria, Germany, and Italy. 2016 will mark his sixth term as the Instrumental Music Director for the Montreat Conference on Worship and Music. Dr. Britt maintains a keen interest in music education and is currently the Immediate-Past President of SCMEA. From 2004-2006 he was National Advisor of the Collegiate Membership for MENC (now NAFME). Britt has conducted honor bands in North Carolina, South Carolina, and Florida. He is an adjudicator for Festivals of Music, Music in the Parks, and the Music Teachers National Association in addition to numerous marching festivals across North and South Carolina. In 2007 he received a Citation of Excellence from the American Bandmasters Association. In addition to his appointment at Furman, served on the faculties of Valdosta State University, Columbus State University, Appalachian State University, the South Carolina Governor's School for the Arts and Humanities, and was the band/choral director at Central Davidson High School 1985-1989. His music degrees are from Appalachian State University, Northwestern University, and The Florida State University.

Alice Adkins Aldredge is a member of the South Central District Bandmasters Association, Music Educators National Conference, Women Band Directors International, and the prestigious American School Band Directors Association. She is currently serving as President of the North Carolina Band Masters Association. She has worked as a clinician and adjudicator for marching and concert bands in Texas, Mississippi, Virginia, North Carolina, and South Carolina. Currently the director of bands at Northwest Cabarrus Middle School, she spent the prior nine years working as the Director of Bands at Croatan High School. During her tenure at Croatan, the program garnered national recognition at Bands of America and Winter Guard International Championship events. Additionally, Mrs. Aldredge has been an educator in Scotland and Robeson counties. Her bands have received consistent superior ratings in Grades III, IV, V, and VI literature, and her ensembles have performed for the North Carolina Music Educators In-Service Conference, Bands Of America Regional Concert Band Festival, Bands of America Regional and Grand National Marching Band Championships, and Winterguard International Regional and World Championships. Mrs. Aldredge has continually placed students in All-District Bands, North Carolina Honors Band, North Carolina All-State Honors Orchestra, North Carolina Eastern Region Jazz Ensemble and North Carolina All-State Jazz Ensemble. Alice currently resides in Concord, NC, with her husband Tripp and nine year old son, Greyson.

Connie H. Weeks is originally from Candler, NC. She graduated from Enka High School in 1980 under the leadership of Mr. John Lackey. She received her Bachelor of Music degree from Mars Hill College in 1984 where she had the opportunity to be under the great leadership of Raymond Babelay and Dr. Wayne Pressley. Connie was a band director for twenty-eight years. She began her career in Catawba County and spent twenty-three years at Asheville Middle School in Asheville, NC, where her bands continued a tradition of superior ratings and placed the most students in the region into the Western District All-District Bands. Connie is a member of the NCMEA, ASBDA and NBA and an active clinician and adjudicator across the southeast. She served as president of the Western North Carolina Bandmasters and was awarded the Award of Excellence in 2000. She is a member of the Women's National Band Directors and received the Scroll of Excellence in 2009. In 2013 she graduated from Gardner-Webb University with a Masters in Educational Leadership and is currently assistant principal at Pisgah High School in Canton, NC. Connie resides in Candler, NC with her husband Drew. Her son Zachary is a graduate of Liberty University and is currently a Masters at Arms in the United States Navy. Her son Kyle is a graduate of Liberty University and is Associate Minister of Youth at Summer Grove Baptist Church in Shreveport, Louisiana.



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