

PROGRAM

A Christmas Fanfare

James A. Beckel Jr.

Contre Qui, Rose Morten Lauridsen (1943), transcribed by H. Robert Reynolds

Jingle Bells

Morton Gould (1913-1996)

Variants on a Mediaeval Tune for Band (1963) Norman Dello Joio (1913-2008) "In dulci jubilo" is a melody which has been used by many composers as the subject for a variety of musical works. Dello Joio's Variants consists of a brief introduction, the theme and five "variants" which send the mediaeval melody through five true metamorphoses, strongly contrasting in tempo and character, and utilizing the possibilities of the band to the highest degree.

Fum, Fum, Fum arranged by Chip Davis, Robert Longfield Traditional Catalan Christmas Carol

INTERMISSION

A Vaughan Williams Christmas

Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958) setting by Douglas E. Wagner

Forest Green, Wassail Song, Sussex Carol

Song for Lyndsay

Andrew Boysen Jr.

Song for Lyndsay was written for Jack Stamp and the Indiana University of Pennsylvania Band. Boysen writes that this.. "is a very personal work, with a great deal of meaning to me. The musical materials are mostly derived from a short piano piece that I wrote for my wife, Lyndsay in 2005. It is more than anything else a simple love song dedicated to Lyndsay and what she has meant in my life."

The Holly and the Ivy (traditional)

arranged by Chip Davis, Robert Longfield

All I Want for Christmas Is You Mariah Carey, Walter Afanasieff, arranged by Larry Kerchner

Rhapsody for Hanukkah (The Festival of Lights)

Stephen Bulla

Y'Ladim, Neyr Li, Simoo Semen, Hanukkah Begins Tonight, The Dreidel Song, Raisins and Almonds, Eight Days of Hanukkah.

A Christmas Festival

Leroy Anderson (1908-1975)

Deck the Halls, God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen, Hark! The Herald Angels Sing, Silent Night, Jingle Bells

Harvey Benstein has been the Music Director and Conductor of the Walnut Creek Concert Band since



1998. Benstein has conducted in all media from symphony orchestra to jazz ensemble and is well versed in the orchestral and wind band repertoire. He is in demand as a guest conductor and clinician throughout the United States, working with professional and amateur ensembles. Benstein has taught in the public Schools of Michigan at Ann Arbor Huron and Grand Ledge High Schools and was the Director of Instrumental Music and Department Chairperson at Campolindo High School in Moraga, CA. (retired 2012) His collegiate teaching positions include; Director of Bands at Butler University, Indianapolis, IN; Director of Bands, McNeese State University,

Lake Charles, LA; and Assistant Director of Bands, The Ohio State University. He was the conductor and music director of the Contra Costa Chamber Orchestra (1999-2007). During the Spring of 2019 Benstein served as Visiting Professor and the Guest Conductor of the University of the Pacific Symphonic Wind Ensemble.

We dedicate tonight's concert to JEAN ADAMO, who is retiring from the band tonight. For 30 years Jean



has been a leader in our organization, serving as flute section leader, band librarian, board member, and treasurer. She has participated in hundreds of performances as well as attending our weekly rehearsals, commuting from her home in Vacaville. Jean is a shining example of the power of music, of the importance of lifelong involvement in music making, and in service to the community and to humanity though her love of music. Thank

You Jean! We will miss you but will see you in the audience at our future events.

Don't miss our next Lesher Performance! Luck of the Irish, Tuesday, March 17, 2020 – St. Patrick's Day!

Featuring world class artist **Brian Neal**, trumpet, and his wife vocalist, Karen Neal performing his Concertante for Trumpet and Wind Ensemble and songs from Ireland, plus the **McBride Dancers** join us with their rendition of "Riverdance". Buy your tickets today, they make great **Holiday Gifts!**

Walnut Creek Concert Band Personnel

Membership in the Walnut Creek Concert Band is open to adult musicians from the greater Walnut Creek area. If you are interested in becoming part of our band contact us at www.walnutcreekband.org.
The band rehearses on Tuesday evenings from 7-9 pm at Acalanes High School in Lafayette. Musicians Welcome! Follow us and Like us on FACEBOOK.

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