

27th
Southern California
Community Band Festival



May 20 & 21, 2023
Old Poway Park

2023 Performance Schedule

Saturday, May 20

11:50am	Opening Ceremony
12:00pm	Huntington Beach Concert Band
1:15pm	San Diego City Guard Band
2:30pm	Valley Winds
3:45pm	Pacific Coast Concert Band
5:00pm	Ahwatukee Foothills Concert Band

Sunday, May 21

12:15pm	San Diego British Brass Band
1:30pm	Kearny Mesa Concert Band
2:45pm	North County Winds
4:00pm	San Diego Concert Band
5:15pm	Pomerado Community Band

Thank you for joining us this weekend!

Huntington Beach Concert Band

Huntington Beach, CA

Tom Ridley, Director

Kara Ford, Assistant Director

The Huntington Beach Concert Band (HBCB) was founded in 1973, with the goal of providing a creative opportunity for qualified adult musicians to share their musical talents and the joy of music with others through performance. HBCB performs throughout Orange County and sponsors a Summer Series of free Sunday concerts in Huntington Beach Central Park. Thomas Ridley (BA & MA, Music, CSU Long Beach) has directed the band for 46 years. Kara Ford (BA Film Scoring / Conducting, Berklee College of Music; MA Screen Scoring, USC) has served as Assistant Director for the past three years. The band is celebrating its **50th Anniversary** this year and is a member of the Association of Concert Bands. You can follow them at the following sites: www.hbconcertband.org and <https://www.facebook.com/HBConcertBand>

Today's program:

National Anthem	arr. Bill Moffit
Americans We	Henry Fillmore
From Sea to Shining Sea	arr. Warren Barker
Summon the Heroes	John Williams - arr. Paul Lavender
Sinatra in Concert	arr. Jerry Nowak
Silverado	Bruce Broughton - arr. Randol Bass
In The Miller Mood	arr. Warren Barker
España Cañl	Pascual Marquina - arr. Robert Longfield
The Imperial March	John Williams - arr. Paul Lavender
The Purple Carnival March	Harry Alford
Red, White & Brass	arr. John Moss

San Diego City Guard Band

San Diego, CA

Linda Thompson, Director

The City Guard Band, under the direction of Linda Thompson, was organized in 1980 by a group of former musicians from high school, college and service bands wishing to continue playing the traditional band literature of Sousa, King, Fillmore and others. The Band's style and repertoire are based on the original City Guard Band, founded in 1880 by J. M. "Jack" Dodge, a local entertainment promoter of the time. The Band was a part of the San Diego City Guard, a unit in the California National Guard.

The Band's library of over 2,500 compositions covers popular music from the 1880s to present-day, including many written specifically for the Band or for events in the San Diego region. The Band is part of the Heritage Band Society of San Diego, a 501(c)3 non-profit organization, whose mission is to preserve band and orchestra music and literature from the 1880s to present. The combined library contains well over 5,000 compositions for band, orchestra, and ensembles.

The band meets on Tuesday nights from 6:30 - 8:30 PM at the Recital Hall in Balboa Park. New members are welcome. Please visit our website: www.CityGuardBand.org. Today's performance will feature Broadway Show tunes, marches, patriotic and traditional concert band music.

Today's program will be announced from the stage.

Valley Winds

Southwest Riverside County

Directors: Ivan Aviles
Greg Cowee
John Tribelhorn

Founded on 1989, The Valley Winds is a true community band. Our members live and work throughout southwest Riverside County and range in age from 15 to over 80, representing a wide span of backgrounds and careers. The Valley Winds is sponsored by Mt. San Jacinto College through their Adult Education Department.

The Valley Winds performs a variety of music, from marches and Broadway show tunes to jazz, patriotic favorites, and traditional and modern band classics. In addition to our performances throughout the community, we support music in the schools by awarding scholarships and performing jointly with local school bands. The Valley Winds Swing Band provides an additional musical outlet for our members and performs for a variety of community events.

The Valley Winds welcomes musicians that are juniors in high school or older. We rehearse Wednesday evenings at 6:30pm in the band room of Temecula Valley High School. For information please visit www.valleywinds.org or e-mail us a info@valleywinds.org

Today's program will be announced from the stage.

Pacific Coast Concert Band
San Marcos, CA

Ken Bell, Director

Now in its third decade, the Pacific Coast Concert Band continues to perform festival band music, including patriotic, seasonal and celebratory wind and percussion selections in North County communities. For more information about the Band, visit our website pccband.org, or email our conductor, Kenneth Bell at hemi3ola@gmail.com

Today's program:

American Flourish	Robert W. Smith
Fantasy on American Sailing Songs	Clare Grundman
Salute to American Jazz	arr. Sammy Nestico
A Portrait in Time	Dave Brubeck
Esprit de Corps	Robert Jager
Big Band Spectacular	arr. John Higgins
All You Need is Love	Christopher Dedrick
Dixieland Revue	arr. Eric Osterling
With Pleasure	John Philip Sousa

Ahwatukee Foothills Concert Band

Phoenix, AZ

Evan Quintus, Director

Since 1990, the Ahwatukee Foothills Concert Band has supported life-long musical expression for its members and the community. The AFCB is a group of over 70 active members under the direction of Evan Quintus and performs roughly 10 concerts a year in community celebrations, retirement resorts, and charity events throughout the greater Phoenix area.

Part of the band's charter is also the support of up-and-coming musicians in the form of annual scholarships and donations to school music programs. With an open-door policy, the AFCB rehearses weekly from September through May and invites new members of all abilities to come out. Visitors are even welcome to sit in when in the area. For information, please visit us a www.afcband.org

Evan received his bachelor's degree in music education and his master's degree in instrumental conducting from Northern Arizona University in Flagstaff, AZ. He is finishing his first year as the band director at Villago Middle School in Casa Grande, AZ. Prior to that, Evan was the Director of Bands at Basha High School in Chandler, AZ for four years. During his seven years in education, Evan has taught a variety of ensembles and courses including wind ensemble, jazz band, marching band, percussion ensemble, horn ensemble, flute choir, winter drumline, winter winds, winter color guard, digital musicianship, AP music theory, and elementary general music. Additionally, Evan is adjunct faculty at Chandler-Gilbert Community College where he teaches French horn lessons and is the Assistant Conductor for the Community Band.

His professional affiliations include the American Bandmasters Association, National Association for Music Education, Arizona Band and Orchestra Directors Association (SW Regional Band Chair, 2017-19), Arizona Music Educators Association, National Education Association, Arizona Education Association, and Phi Mu Alpha (OAS AAS LLS).

Today's program will be announced from the stage.



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To see our future performance schedule, donate, or become a member, visit our website at ncwinds.org.

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San Diego British Brass Band

San Diego, CA

Linda Thompson, Director

Pete Riley, Founder and Managing Director

Musicians in and around San Diego have built a community band with instrumentation consistent with that of the British Brass Band. The purpose of the San Diego British Brass Band (SDBBB) is to: (1) Perform a wide variety of brass band music that both interests and challenges our players, (2) Provide a learning environment for high school students to be mentored and inspired by more experienced players, and (3) Serve and entertain our community.

Since our founding in 2016, we have performed at a number of venues in and around San Diego, and we are always looking for new opportunities to play! We rehearse every Sunday (4pm – 6pm) at 4170 Balboa Ave. All brass players and percussionists are welcome to join us. You can find out more about the band by visiting our website: www.sdbbb.org or by e-mailing Pete Riley (pete@peteriley.org)

Today's program will be announced from the stage.

Kearny Mesa Concert Band

San Diego, CA

Richard Almanza, Director

The Kearny Mesa Concert Band is the oldest unceasing community concert band in San Diego county. It was started in 1972 at San Diego Mesa College by Dr. Ellis Benson. It is currently under the leadership of director Richard Almanza, a director of music with over 40 years' experience.

Our mission is to provide a means for current and former musicians to gather and create wonderful music within a friendly, family atmosphere. The Kearny Mesa Concert Band is a community band first and foremost. It is also a tuition free continuing education class of the San Diego Community College District. The music played ranges from classical to popular, including original compositions, Broadway and movie show tunes, as well as traditional marches. Musicians of all ages and abilities are welcome. There is a diverse makeup of musicians in the band; some are former military band musicians, some former professional musicians, some retired music teachers, but most are like yourself, someone with a love of music who wants to play their instrument (and may not have played for quite a while) in a musically invigorating environment.

We are supported by the San Diego Continuing Education College, which is a part of the San Diego Community College District. The class meets on the Mesa College campus in the Continuing Education building on Tuesday nights at 7:00pm. For more information about the band, you can go to our Facebook page or our website (www.kearnymesaconcertband.com).

Today's program will be announced from the stage.

North County Winds
San Diego North County

Vince Hernandez, Director

Under the direction of Vince Hernandez since 2002, the North County Winds is a San Diego based community wind ensemble, whose members are a collection of professional and amateur musicians of all ages, dedicated to performing challenging music and executing the highest quality level for their audience.

The North County Winds rehearses weekly, performs concerts throughout the year and supports music education in local schools, encourage individuals to play music throughout all stages of their lives, fostering friendship, camaraderie, community, and having fun!

We are a 501(c)3 non-profit organization and are fully supported by generous patron charitable contributions and member dues.

Today's program will be announced from the stage.

San Diego Concert Band

San Diego, CA

Roy Anthony, Jr. Director

Under the direction of Roy Anthony, Jr., the San Diego Concert Band performs a wide range of music; traditional symphonic band pieces, marches, show tunes, and arrangements of orchestral works for band. The Band is composed of nearly 100 local musicians from all walks of life, including active and retired music educators, teachers, engineers, doctors, nurse, pilots, attorneys, insurance agents, business professionals, local and federal government employees, and college students. We are proud to have among our members several musicians who are currently stationed in San Diego and are assigned to Navy and Marine Corps bands.

The band was founded in 1989 and is celebrating its 34th year of entertaining San Diego residents. The band maintains an exciting schedule of concert each year. The seasons begin with the annual holiday and spring concert. These formal events are currently presented at the Joan B. Kroc Theater in East San Diego. A more casual (and free) summer “concerts in the park” series rounds out the season.

The San Diego Concert Band is supported solely by member dues, private sponsorships, individual donations received for tickets to our performances and recordings. For more information, please visit our website: www.SanDiegoConcertBand.com

Today's program will be announced from the stage.

Pomerado Community Band

San Diego, CA

Dean Hickman, Director

The Pomerado Community Band was founded in 1990 to provide wind and percussion musicians the opportunity to perform and improve their musical skills, while encouraging a sense of community by performing at local events. The band presents 10-12 concerts per year in venues that include Old Poway Park, local schools, the USS Midway Museum and the Organ Pavilion in Balboa Park. Our programs range from formal symphonic band literature to marches, movie soundtracks, and patriotic music.

For over 33 years, the band has made its motto, “Good Friends and Good Music”, come alive by fostering a sense of family within itself during the course of rehearsals, concerts, and tours. This festival is a manifestation of that philosophy.

We rehearse Wednesday evenings at Wangenheim Middle School (in the Mira Mesa area) and do not require auditions for membership. You can learn more about us and our schedule by visiting our website at www.pomeradoband.org

Today's program:

Themes Like Old Times	arr. Warren Barker
As Summer Was Just Beginning	Larry D. Daehn
Pie in the Face Polka	Henry Mancini
Band of Brothers	Michael Kamen
Hunchback of Notre Dame	Alan Menken
Armed Forces Salute	arr. Bob Lowden
Smiling After the Rain	Yukiko Nishimura
Best Broadway Marches	arr. James Christensen
America, the Beautiful	Samuel Augustus Ward
Stars and Stripes Forever	John Philip Sousa