

Saturday, April 12, 2024 • 8PM DEKELBOUM CONCERT HALL AT THE CLARICE SMITH PERFORMING ARTS CENTER



University of Maryland School of Music Presents

UNIVERSITY BAND AND MARYLAND COMMUNITY BAND SPRING CONCERT

University Band Craig G. Potter Music Director

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Aunna Marzen, conductor		
Dancing In Rain		
"Trio from Act III" from <i>Der Rosenkavalier</i>	Richard Strauss (1864–1949) arr. Jimmie Howard Reynolds	
George Washington Bridge	William Schuman (1910–1992)	
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INTERMISSION

Maryland Community Band Doug Quinzi

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Shephe	erd's Hey	Grainger
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١.	Maestoso - Allegro	
١١.	Lento	
111.	Allegro Vivo - Maestoso	



CRAIG G. POTTER serves as the assistant director of bands for the University of Maryland School of Music, where he conducts the University Band, the Maryland Pep Band and the Tuba-Euphonium Ensemble. He has also served as an assistant conductor for the University of Maryland Wind Ensemble, as well as a guest conductor for the University of Maryland Wind Orchestra. Additionally, Potter is the assistant director of the 250-member Mighty Sound of Maryland Marching Band. His marching band arrangements have been performed across the United States by

bands of the Big Ten, ACC, SEC, Big 12, Big East, WAC, NCAC and Sun Conference. Prior to his appointment, he taught middle and high school band in the Catholic Diocese of Lexington, Kentucky. During his time at Lexington Catholic High School, the band earned distinguished ratings at the Kentucky Music Educators Association Concert Band Festival.

Potter remains an active performer on the tuba, with special attention to music with alternative accompaniments and electronics. He has soloed twice with the University of Maryland Wind Orchestra, most recently on David Lang's album "Are You Experienced?" for solo electric tuba. Potter has appeared as a soloist and clinician across the United States and has performed in music conventions and festivals around the world including the United States Army Tuba-Euphonium Workshop and the Jungfrau Music Festival.

Potter holds a doctor of musical arts in tuba performance from the University of Maryland, College Park, a master of music in wind conducting from the University of Louisville and a bachelor of music in music education from the University of Kentucky. He is an alumnus of Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia and Kappa Kappa Psi, an honorary member of Tau Beta Sigma and a Sigma Alpha Iota Friend of the Arts. Originally from Raleigh, North Carolina, Potter lives in Annapolis with his wife Mallory and his children, Felicity and Hugh.



AUNNA MARZEN is a Washington, D.C.-based trumpet player and conductor. Marzen is currently in her third year of studies toward a doctor of musical arts in trumpet performance at the University of Maryland, College Park, where she serves as a graduate assistant with the UMD Bands. A well-rounded performer, Marzen has played with orchestras, bands and chamber ensembles across the country and internationally. She has performed as a member of a trumpet ensemble for both the National Trumpet Competition and the International Trumpet Guild. Marzen is also

involved in the marching arts, having performed with both the Santa Clara Vanguard and Colts Drum & Bugle Corps, as well as serving as an instructor for the Crossmen Drum & Bugle Corps. She is currently on staff with the Cavaliers Drum & Bugle Corp.

Marzen holds a master of music from Florida Atlantic University and a bachelor of music in trumpet performance from the University of Iowa. She is a member of Kappa Kappa Psi Honorary Band Fraternity and Sigma Alpha Iota International Music Fraternity. Her primary teachers include Chris Gekker, Michael Votta, Amy Schendel, Aren Van Houzen and Courtney Jones. Marzen is a native of the greatest corn-growing state in the country, Iowa.



DOUG QUINZI is in his second season as director of the Maryland Community Band. He holds a bachelor of music education degree from New Mexico State University and a master of music degree in horn performance from the University of Maryland, College Park. He is active throughout the Washington, D.C. area as a freelance french horn player, teacher, clinician and conductor, appearing with groups such as the Boston Brass, Washington Symphonic Brass and the National Symphony Orchestra.

He has been a member of "The President's Own" United States Marine Band since 2004, serving as Assistant Principal Horn since 2018. He lives in Crofton with his wife Dyana and their children, Corgan, Lincoln, Anthony, Asher, Ruby and Vera.

The **UNIVERSITY BAND** serves as a musical outlet primarily for non-music majors at the University of Maryland, College Park who are interested in performing in a wind band. Ranging in size from the mid-60s in the Fall semester to over 100 members in the Spring, students in the UBand rehearse once a week and receive academic credit for their participation in the band. The University Band performs traditional and contemporary works from the band repertoire, as well as transcriptions from other media.

THE MARYLAND COMMUNITY BAND was formed in 1995 as a special outreach project of the University of Maryland Band Program in the School of Music. Open to all qualified adult wind and percussion players, the band provides an opportunity for musicians from different musical backgrounds and various skill levels to further develop their individual technique by performing in an ensemble that is both enjoyable and challenging.

The group draws its membership from university alumni, school music teachers, campus faculty and staff, and adults from the greater Washington, D.C./Baltimore community. The 80-member ensemble includes musicians whose ages range from their early 20s to their early 80s.

The Maryland Community Band performs a variety of music, ranging from the classical symphonic repertory to military marches and Broadway and film scores.

For more information on Maryland Bands, contact:

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Impulse Engine

CAROLYN BREMER Born October 28, 1957, Santa Monica, CA | Died September 2, 2018, Long Beach, CA

Impulse Engine is based on simple, motoric, fanfare-like motives that are tossed about the ensemble. This high-energy piece is based on *Throw Caution to the Wind* (for brass and percussion) which was commissioned for the Monarch Brass Ensemble by the Oklahoma Summer Wind Festival.

– Program note by Carolyn Bremer

Dancing In Rain YO GOTO Born 1958, Akita, Japan

The timpani sounds the thunder at the beginning of this precipitous work. The raindrops can almost be felt as the ensemble passes the staccato themes around the stage while other instruments are dancing in between the drops.

– Program note by Yo Goto

"Trio from Act III" from Der Rosenkavalier

RICHARD STRAUSS Born June 11, 1864 Munich, Germany | Died September 8, 1949, Garmisch-Partenkirchen, Germany arr. Jimmie Howard Reynolds

The opera *Der Rosenkavalier* (The Cavalier of the Rose), with libretto by Hugo von Hofmannsthal, was first performed in Dresden in 1911. The trio from Act III is a magnificent example of the genius of the Strauss/Hofmannsthal collaboration. Accompanied by Strauss's rich orchestration, the trio is sung by Sophie, a youthful and charming woman, Octavian, a passionate young man and the Countess, a mature and sophisticated woman. Nearly all the vocal lines from Strauss's original orchestration are preserved in this transcription.

In short, this music captures the relationship between Octavian, Sophie and the Countess in a way only music can. Octavian has shared a long relationship with the Countess, but after meeting Sophie, he realizes his true love. As Sophie and Octavian rejoice in their newfound happiness, the Countess reminisces about the tender moments of the past. Grateful for them, she understands the need to let Octavian and Sophie follow the path of youth. Sophie, in love with Octavian, and the Countess, coming to terms with her own aging, share a fleeting moment of mutual recognition. Through their love for Octavian, they experience a deeper connection—an understanding that transcends the emotions of the present. Both the eight-bar introduction and the coda following the oboe solo are derived from notes contained in the principal motive of the opera.

- Program note from the score

George Washington Bridge

WILLIAM SCHUMAN Born August 4, 1910, New York City, NY | Died February 15, 1992, New York City, NY

There are few days in the year when I do not see George Washington Bridge. I pass it on my way to work as I drive along the Henry Hudson Parkway on the New York shore. Ever since my student days when I watched the progress of its construction, this bridge has had for me an almost human personality, and this personality is astonishingly varied, assuming different moods depending on the time of day or night, the weather, the traffic and of course, my own mood as I pass by.

I have walked across it late at night when it was shrouded in fog, and during the brilliant sunshine hours of midday. I have driven over it countless times and passed under it on boats. Coming to New York City by air, sometimes I have been lucky enough to fly right over it. It is difficult to imagine a more gracious welcome or dramatic entry to the great metropolis.

- Program note by William Schuman

"Galop" from Geneviève de Brabant

JACQUES OFFENBACH Born June 20, 1819, Cologne, Germany | Died October 5, 1880, Paris, France arr. John R. Bourgeois

Jacques Offenbach was a product of the Paris Conservatory, becoming a professional cellist. However, today he is best known as the composer of light opera, including *Ballet Parisien*, *La Belle Helene* and *Orpheus in the Underworld*. This "Galop" is a spirited and light-hearted work containing the origins of what we know today as the *Marines Hymn*.

- Program note from the score

Commando March

SAMUEL BARBER Born March 9, 1910, West Chester, PA | Died January 23, 1981, New York City, NY

Samuel Barber first established himself as a notable American composer early in his career by winning the prestigious American Prix de Rome while studying at the Curtis Institute of Music. His compositional approach was perhaps most famously described by conductor Arturo Toscanini as "simple and beautiful." In 1943, Barber enlisted in the Army Air Forces. While on active duty, he composed notable pieces for the war effort, including his second symphony, the Flight Symphony, as well as his only composition for wind band, *Commando March*. The work was premiered on May 23, 1943 by the Army Air Forces Tactical Training Command Band in Atlantic City, NJ. The work received many performances in the final years of the war, solidifying its place as a classic centerpiece in wind band literature.

- Program note by David Balandrin and Ricky Parrell

Irish Tune from County Derry and Shepherd's Hey

PERCY ALDRIDGE GRAINGER Born July 8, 1882, Melbourne, Australia | Died February 20, 1961, White Plains, NY

Percy Grainger was a piano prodigy turned composer known for his strange personality habits and his equally unusual music. He moved to the United States at the outbreak of World War I, enlisted in the Army as a bandsman, and became a naturalized citizen in 1918. He gained fame for unique and virtuosic settings of folk music, most notably his monumental *Lincolnshire Posy.*

Grainger's time as a military musician obviously inspired in him an interest in writing for wind band; he wrote both *Irish Tune from County Derry* and *Shepherd's Hey* shortly after being discharged in 1918. Commonly known as "Danny Boy," *Irish Tune* is based on earlier settings for wordless mixed chorus and solo piano. The composer's brief program note states, "This tune was collected by Miss J. Ross of New Town, Limavady, Derry Co, Ireland." *Shepherd's Hey* is what's known as a Morris Dance, a centuries-old tradition of fluid, group dancing in England. The "hey" refers to the interweaving of two lines of dancers, symbolized by Grainger's use of two parallel lines of music at the opening of the piece.

- Program note by Andy Pease and R. Mark Rogers

Ceremonies for Band

ELLEN TAAFFE ZWILICH Born April 30, 1939, Miami, FL

Ellen Taafe Zwilich is among the most accomplished composers in American history. Her music has been premiered and championed by preeminent conductors and ensembles around the world for over 50 years. She was the first female composer to receive a Pulitzer Prize for Music, and the first composer ever to be named to the Composer's Chair at Carnegie Hall. *Ceremonies for Band* was written in 1988. It was commissioned by the Florida State University School of Music and premiered by the FSU Wind Orchestra at the National American Bandmasters Association in Tallahassee.

Zwilich's mastery is on full display in this idiomatic work for symphonic band. The opening "Maestoso" declares an austere theme, its obvious harshness gradually melting away to reveal a wayward melancholy. The aggressive figure attempts to reassert itself, and the resultant "Allegro" contains a similar duality, furious yet brooding. The second movement, "Lento", is intended as an elegy for Manley Whitcomb, Director of Bands at FSU, who passed away in 1987. The comic and pompous theme of the "Allegro Vivo" drives relentlessly to a final restatement of the opening "Maestoso".

- Program note by Doug Quinzi

UNIVERSITY BAND

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Flute & Piccolo

Kaitlin Dan Serena Lee Sandra Radakovic Harini Narayanan Olivia Emge Emily Liu Maggie Crooks Rachel Huang Kira Noyes Ava Monroe Felice Mojica Katherine Cox Erica Hyde Ally Bruner Don Wengerd

Oboe

Amalie Ludwig Mack Adrian Dela Cruz

Bassoon Deborah Mensah

Clarinet

Divya Kumar Hugh Ma Aliki Dimitoglou Jacqueline Geary Reena Alattar Jennifer Dennison Emily Huang **Emily Schultz** John Wagenblast Kristin Dan Matthew Scher Brandon Greenberg Nathan Chesla Tara Durst Robert Northcutt Julia Creighton Marsh Hessler

Bass Clarinet

Daniel Xing Maya St. Hillaire Grant Heinicke

Alto Saxophone

Aarav Desai Preston Perzan Nathan Lopilato Ethan Stein Hailee Martino Kristian Dell'Erba Ryan Goldsmith Noah Hornstein Andrew Northcutt

Tenor Saxophone Tyler Goins Celia Salazar-Walker Alli Stavely

Baritone Saxophone

Zachary Miller Kyle Davies

Horn

Robert Morris Sunil Pateel Chow-Fong Kust Justin Blackman Ariadne Dimitoglou Sanika Devare Zachary Clemence Suerken Matsuyama Tiffany Bixler

PERSONNEL

Trumpet

Ryan Saitta Ryan Wang Alex Powers Ethan Hawkes Austin Turner Liam Wood Shaunn Pavelik Beau Carter Benjamin Westgard Matt Graminski Jesse Ehrenreich Zach Groslinger **Bobby Schaller** Grace Rodeffer Samantha Linares Morgan MacLean Clara Tuske

Trombone

Sophia Simon Matthew Mercier Katherine Schutzman Veronica Kandro Mario Alvarenga Rahat Sharif Joseph Nebbia Oscar Krug

Euphonium

Alex Russ Carlos Chen Scott Dansie Donovan Fry Kaiya Feiertag Logan Rusko Adin Kersh Ben Osuala

Tuba

Dhruva Chakravarthi Ben Smith-Hicks Tenley Fahey Shivank Bhimavarapu Evan R. Ash

Percussion

Kaleigh Allen Yushen An Xavier Bornhorst Nabilah Chowdhury Dustin Flaker Nicholas Kelly Hayden Lazorchak Oden Rowley Arthur You

Piano

Arthur You



MARYLAND COMMUNITY BAND

Flute & Piccolo

Sky Chen Elvira Freeman Mary Kate Gentile Katie Janota Kaity Mumma Kelly Pasciuto Elena Perry Kevin Styles Linda Wagner Kathleen Wilson

Oboe

Gillian Engelbrecht Janet Renze

Bassoon

Tom Cherrix Kathy Emery Kristi Engel

Clarinet

Austin Boroshok Helen Butt Jim Coppess Derek Corbin Megan Corbin Jeri Holloway Chad McCall Stanley Potter Joan Racky Amanda Rogers Ken Rubin Amy Schneider Kristina Seabolt Karlo Silbiger Doug Quinzi, Music Director

Bass Clarinet

Dylan Blodgett Phaedra McNair Lisa Shiota David Wagner

Alto Saxophone Caroline Cherrix Kayla Edwards Stu Sklamm

Tenor Saxophone Keith Hill Eirik Cooper

Baritone Saxophone Steven Visco

French Horn B. LeAnn Cabe Bekah Girdler Katie Girdler

Trumpet Dale Allen Carley Barrett Ernest Bennett Craig Carignan Tim Girdler Tom Gleason Chalman Holmes Richard Liska Boris Lloyd Doug McElrath Richard Pasciuto

Euphonium

Jake Bowen Rebecca Grant Edward Kirk Liza Raney Emily Thomas Lin Wallberg Weeun Wang

Trombone

Madeline Beaudry Steven Bronocco Jack Burke Kelly Deschaine Brendan Gillespy Darrell Greenlee Joshua Hernandez Matt Horne Marianne Kassabian Ellie Meeks Jason Robinson Bob Schmertz

Tuba Mike Drerup Patrick FitzGerald Dorothy Lee

Anthony Pinder

Percussion Beth Bienvenu Stewart Hickman George Huttlin Elyce Milligan Alan Sactor

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