McNeese State University College of Liberal Arts



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DEPARTMENT OF
PERFORMING ARTS

Present

# MCNEESE STATE UNIVERSITY REGIONAL HONOR BANDS

## Blue Band

Dr. Philip A. Obado, Conductor

### Gold Band

Dr. Albert Lo, Conductor

#### A Letter from the Directors

Welcome to McNeese State University and the 2020 McNeese Regional Honor Band. We hope that you have enjoyed your weekend here on campus and have experienced some of the very best our wonderful university has to offer. Our students, faculty, and directors have thoroughly enjoyed working with you, performing for you, and most of all, getting to know you over the past few days.

In the McNeese Band Program, we often use the phrase, "We are..." We are excellent musicians who perform in one of the finest undergraduate music programs around. From the huge signature sound of the Marching Band to performing challenging major works with the Wind Symphony and rocking charts with the Jazz Band, McNeese State University offers world class musical experiences to undergraduate musicians. We are scholars who consistently represent a GPA at or above the campus average with students on the President's List, Dean's List, and many other academic honors, and the band program consists of students from across campus in practically every major offered by McNeese State University. Most of all, We are Family. Here in the McNeese Band program we like to think of ourselves as an extended family. A family that makes music together, travels together, studies together, and are some of the best friends and people we will ever know. Whether it is performing exciting music with the Wind Symphony, Symphonic Band, or Jazz Band, or cheering on the team with the Basketball Band, or traveling with the Pride of McNeese Marching Band to awesome places and thousands of cheering fans, we do it as a family. We believe that the band family exemplifies our university's motto of "Excellence with a personal touch." We are The Pride of McNeese and We are the McNeese Bands, and we hope that in the future you will join us.

Thank you and Geaux Pokes!

Dr. Jay Sconyers Director of Bands Dr. Jack A. Eaddy Jr. Associate Director of Bands



## McNeese State University Regional Honor Band Blue Band

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Selections from the following:

Flourish for Wind Band	Ralph Vaughan Williams
A Childhood Remembered	Rossano Galante
Earth Song	Frank Ticheli
Viva!	Jack Wilds

### McNeese State University Regional Honor Band Gold Band

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Selections from the following:

Just Flyin'	Julie Giroux
Arabian Dances	Brian Balmages
Cheerio March	Edwin Franko Goldman
Until the Scars	John Mackey
Undertow	John Mackey
I ullaylye	Bill Locklean

#### **About our Conductors**



**Dr. Philip A. Obado** is currently the Director of Bands at Allen I.S.D. in Allen, Texas. Dr. Obado's responsibilities include serving as director of bands at Allen High School where he oversees the Allen Eagle Escadrille, conducts the AHS Wind Ensemble, and is a support teacher in the Jazz Studies Program and at the Lowery Freshman Campus. The Allen High School Band consists of an 800+ member marching band (the Allen Eagle Escadrille) that splits into 11 concert bands, two jazz bands, three winter guards, two full drumline/front ensemble units, and two Drill team units (the Tallenettes and Silver Stars) under the co-direction of eight band directors and two dance directors. In addition to

Dr. Obado's teaching duties, he helps maintain a comprehensive and vertically aligned band curriculum (grades 6-12) with the help of the directors at Allen High School, Lowery Freshman Campus, Curtis Middle School, Ereckson Middle School, and Ford Middle School. Dr. Obado was previously Assistant Director of Bands at the Baylor University School of Music. His responsibilities included serving as Associate Director of the Golden Wave Band, director of the Courtside Players, director of the Concert Band, and teaching courses in conducting. Prior to this appointment at Baylor, Dr. Obado was Associate Director of Bands at Illinois State University where he was the director of the Big Red Marching Machine, conducted the Symphonic Winds and Symphonic Band, and taught courses in conducting and marching band techniques. He has also enjoyed twelve years teaching in the Florida public schools most notably as the Director of Bands at East River High School (Orlando), University High School (Orlando), and South Fork High School (Stuart). Originally from Florida, Dr. Obado received the Doctor of Musical Arts degree in wind conducting from Michigan State University, a Master of Music Education degree from Florida State University, and a Bachelor of Music in Education and Performance from Ithaca College. His primary conducting teachers include Kevin Sedatole, John T. Madden, Stephen Peterson, and James Croft. Dr. Obado's professional affiliations include the College Band Directors National Association, National Band Association, American School Band Directors Association, Texas Music Educators Association, Texas Bandmasters Association, and is an honorary member of Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia and Tau Beta Sigma.



Dr. Albert Lo Albert Lo is the Director of Instrumental Music Ensembles at the Austin Community College District and the former resident Conductor/Artistic Director for the Valley Wind Symphony. Dr. Lo completed his Doctor of Musical Arts Degree at The University of North Texas in Denton, Texas where he was under the tutelage of Professor Eugene Migliaro Corporon, Professor Dennis Fisher, and Dr. Nicholas Enrico Williams. A native of Chicago, Illinois, he received his Bachelorette of Music Degree from Northern Illinois University and his Master of Art Degree from Western Illinois University.

Previous to his appointment as the Director of Instrumental Music Ensembles at Austin Community College, Dr. Lo served four years as the Director of Bands for the University of Texas Rio Grande Valley Brownsville campus and one year as the Director of Orchestra in Edinburg.

Dr. Lo also served as the Director of Bands at Winston Churchill High School in San Antonio, Texas from 2001-2008. Under his direction, Churchill High School continued their tradition of excellence, placing in the finals at consecutive Texas 5A State Marching Contests, Bands of America Regionals, and The Bands of America Grand Nationals in Indianapolis, IN. The Churchill winter percussion line is the 2003 Winter Guard International World Class Indoor Percussion Champions and the color guard was a consistent Winter Guard International World Class finalist at the Nationals in Dayton, Ohio. Both Churchill Jazz Ensembles have been awarded Outstanding Jazz Ensembles at the Northern Colorado Jazz Festival in Greely, CO, the North Texas Jazz Festival in Addison, TX as well as the Harlingen and Fiesta Jazz Festivals. The Charger Band was selected to participate in the Tournament of Roses Parade in Pasadena, CA. in 2006 and performed in the 50th anniversary celebration of Hawaii's Statehood in 2008. The Wind Symphony has placed consecutively at the TMEA Honor Band Area competitions, and all four concert bands have received sweepstakes at the University Interscholastic League Concert and Sight-Reading Contest. All bands have been awarded "Best in Class" at various national concert festivals throughout the country.

In addition to his career as a music educator in the public schools, Dr. Lo was a brass instructor and Caption Head for the nationally renowned Phantom Regiment Drum and Bugle Corps. He is currently an adjudicator for Drum Corps International, Music for All, Texas University Interscholastic League, as well as other Judges' Associations throughout the United States and Asia.

Mr. Lo is an active clinician and guest conductor who has taught, conducted and performed in concert and jazz ensembles throughout Europe and Asia. Dr. Lo is a two-time Teacher of the Year recipient and was awarded Certificate of Recognition by the Texas Academy of Math and Sciences at the University of North Texas in Denton, TX. He is a member of College Band Directors National Association, Pi Kappa Lambda Music Honor Society, Phi Mu Alpha Fraternity, Texas Music Educator Association and Texas Bandmasters Association.

## McNeese State University Regional Honor Band Participants

#### **Woodwinds**

#### Flute

Anna Alamond Lavla Cates Dallas Coffelt Grace Davis Kaytlin Fruge Grace Gallagher Tana Hall Mickey Hogan Cierra Jackson Sydnee Jackson Sedna Juarez Kylie LaVergne Gabriela Martinez Oriana McElwee Mary Patton Ashley Rogers Shaleigh Sliman Kaitlyn Waguespack

Bricelyn White

#### Oboe

Bradley Bauer Darbi George Sydney Pawlowski Emily Tisher

#### Bassoon

Riley Daniels Lily Maddox Claire McMillen Abbigail Perkins

#### Clarinet

Grace Bettis Meagan Brugman Sarah Carlson Hannah Carras Nick Castro Jacqueline Crochet Emma Daniels Hailey Dowling Jordan Doyle Alyssa Hay **Destiney Hicks** Chanel Holt Taliyah Johnson Riley Maglalang Haylee Miller Madison Pittelkow Paige Priola Amara Roberson

Brianna Simon Alexis Smith

#### **Bass Clarinet**

Reagan Peterson Amy Sporer Chris Watson Kendall Wilder Mylin Wilson

#### Alto Saxophone

Daqualyn Antoine Kaitlyn Ashworth Skylar Clark Halle Davis Nathan Emmons Nicholas Free Kyle Johns Jacob Kerry Madison McFarland Amber Smith Colin Stevens Nick Trahan Braeden Vincent Macey Wing

#### **Tenor Saxophone**

Stephen Ayers Benjamin Boudreaux

Preston Hernandez Jazlyn Maldonado Reilly Sonnier Cameron Talbert Walter Watson

#### **Baritone Saxophone**

Jethun Andrepont Chase Dement Aidan Duhon Davyn Lejune

## McNeese State University Regional Honor Band Participants

#### **Brass**

#### Trumpet

Brett Anderson Jeannette Bentancourt Paul Boitnott Michael Bourgeois Mia Clark Piper Dearing Colt Dement Abbyanne Dressel James Egbert Parker Fluegge Keelan Furniss Joseph Hinton James Huckaby Dillon Humphries Aaron Keel Kate Lawrence John Leger Thomas Lovitt Jacob Martinez Reese Miller Jackson Parnell Andrew Roberts Sean Sikorski Christy Soileau Jerry Sonnier Noah Thurman

#### Horn

Lillianna Bustos
Lexi Cannon
Mason Dronet
Bryce Edwards
Jordan Hoffman
Abby Liles
Violet Maddox
Sara Pietrowski
Mason Rabalais
Zayne Randall
Nicholas Russell
Matthew Skellham
Clay Wallace
Jeremy Wiley

#### Trombone

Christopher Berard Evan Bryant Matthew Cooley Zack Dupre Jayren Etienne Damien Gillard Mikhalib Green Trey Hargrave DaNea Heath Griffin Hendrix Hannah Hinton Emily McMillin Alyssa McReynolds Keegan Morgan Shianna Rowland Peyton Turner

#### **Bass Trombone**

Brendon Groves Gavin Kelly

#### Euphonium

Henry Bingham Jaron Chretien Gavin Doucet Lindsey Dupre Maeve Rhodes Dylan Rundberg Collin Trahan

#### Tuba

Layton Coleman Zachary Daigle Layne Dunbar Anna Guidry Samuel Klenke Trey Marsh Zachary Richardson Zion Sims Kolton Strother Nathan Wynn

#### **Percussion**

Emma Andrepont Jacob Aultman Marie Azor Dustin Boulet Patrick Cameron WilliamEarvin, Jr. Brennan Franks Reese Manuel Ethan McGee Nellie Miller Luke Pacetti Reed Rougeau Dyamond Smith Tristan Zeigler

#### Participating High School Bands

Thank you to all participating high school bands and their directors. Without you, this event and all we do at McNeese State University would not be possible.

Alfred M. Barbe High School Baker High School

Benton High School

Bridge City High School

Delcambre High School

DeQuincy High School

DeRidder High School

Deweyville High School

East Beauregard High School

Iota High School

Iowa High School

Jennings High School

Lagrange Senior High School

Lake Arthur High School

Leesville High School

Merryville High School

Morgan City High School

Oakdale High School

Pasadena Memorial High School

Pickering High School

Pineville High School

Port Allen High School

Rosepine High School

Saint Louis Catholic High School

Sam Houston High School

South Beauregard High School

South Terrebonne High School

Sulphur High School

Tioga High School

Vidalia High School

Washington Marion Magnet High School

Welsh High School

West Monroe High School

Westlake High School









### **MUSIC SCHOLARSHIP** & ENTRANCE AUDITIONS

November 16

MARCHING BAND

CHOIR & ALL MUSIC MAJORS 20 2020

CHOIR & ALL VOCAL MUSIC MAJORS MARCH 21 2020

MARCHING
BAND,
CHOIR
&
ALL MUSIC
MAJORS

## MCNEESE STATE UNIVERSITY

AREAS OF STUDY:
BACHELOR OF MUSIC

**CONCENTRATIONS IN:** 

**Instrumental Performance** 

Music Education -

Instrumental

Music Education -Vocal

Piano Performance Vocal Performance

#### **PERFORMING ENSEMBLES:**

**Marching Band** 

Jazz Ensemble

Symphonic Band

**Chamber Singers** 

Concert Chorale

Percussion Ensemble

Chamber Ensemble

Wind Symphony

### ALL AUDITION DAYS BEGIN AT 1 P.M.

FOR DETAILS OR TO SCHEDULE AN AUDITION: TEXT AUDITION TO 337-350-3022



## Join Us in 2020 We Want You!

#### **Audition Dates:**

Voice March 20, 2020 Sherman Fine Arts

Winds and Percussion March 21, 2020 Band Hall

Color Guard May 2, 2020 Memorial Gym

Drumline May 9, 2020 Band Hall



#### **Audition Procedures**

Music Majors: Play two contrasting etudes (lyrical and technical). All state audition material, district honor band audition material, or solo and ensemble material is great for this. Play two scales and a chromatic scale to the range of your instrument. Sight read a short excerpt.

All Other Majors: You may play the same material as the music major or play the McNeese Fight Song and Alma Mater (downloadable on the audition link on the website) Play two scales and a chromatic scale to the range of your instrument. Sight read a short excerpt.

Drumline: The drumline will be set through the audition/experience day on May 9 and clinics following during the summer.

Color Guard: The color guard will be set through the audition/experience day on May 2.







# McNeese State University Bands Upcoming Events

Tuesday, March 3, 2020 McNeese Symphonic Band 7:00 P.M. Tritico Theatre

Friday, March 6, 2020
McNeese State University Jazz Band
7:00 P.M. Tritico Theatre

Friday, April 3, 2020 McNeese Symphonic Band 7:00 P.M. Tritico Theatre

Sunday, April 5, 2020
McNeese Wind Symphony
Presents
Stained Glass



Thursday, April 23, 2020 McNeese State University Jazz Band 7:00 P.M. Tritico Theatre

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#### W.A and Dorothy Hannah Department of the Performing Arts Faculty

The McNeese State University Band Program would like to thank the outstanding faculty and staff for the W.A. and Dorothy Hannah Department of the Performing Arts for their tireless work in developing a first class performing arts department and band program and for exemplifying the university's motto "excellence with a personal touch."

Dr. Judy Hand, Flute Dr. Michael Buckles, Dean of Liberal Arts, Strings

Prof. Jan Scott, Woodwinds Dr. Lonny Benoit, Department Head

Dr. Jacquelyn Lankford, Trumpet Dr. Julian "Jay" Sconyers, Director of Bands

Prof. Rod Lauderdale, Horn Dr. Jack A. Eaddy Jr., Associate Director of Bands

Prof. Bill Rose, Low Brass Mr. Tim McMillen, Director of the McNeese Jazz Band

Dr. Brian Nozny, Percussion Dr. Darryl Jones, Director of Choirs

Dr. Lina Morita, Piano Prof. Charles McNeely III, Theatre Director

Dr. HeaJu Choi, Piano Prof. Michelle Brunson, Technical Director

Dr. Jay Kecherski, Guitar Dr. Jeff Lemke, Music Education

Prof. Barbara Belew, Harp Ms. Sue Miller, Administrative Assistant

Ms. Molly Goforth, Strings Ms. Libby Looney, Administrative Assistant

Mr. Patrick Lavergne, String Bass

Dr. Carol Lines, Voice

Dr. Jawan Jenkins, Voice

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To ensure an enjoyable concert experience for all, please refrain from talking, entering, or exiting while musicians are performing.

Food and drink are prohibited in all concert halls.

Please turn off cell phones and other electronic devices. Thank you for your cooperation.