

VBODA District VII
Concert Assessment

Wednesday, March 16, 2016
Thursday, March 17, 2016
Virginia High School
Bristol, VA



Virginia High School welcomes you to the 2016 VBODA District VII Concert Band Assessment. Gary Skeen and Ben Parks, along with Virginia High School, are proud to host this event, which includes 26 bands from Southwest Virginia. These groups range from middle school bands to high school bands performing a wide variety of music.

This is an assessment: not a competition. Bands do not compete against each other, but they are judged on a variety of criteria that complies with the Virginia Standards of Learning for Music Education.

On stage, bands will perform three to four prepared selections. The first selection is a march, while the remaining selections are graded music. Music is graded from 1-6, with 1 being the easiest and 6 being the hardest. This music is graded by Virginia Band and Orchestra Directors' Association. While performing, the band will be judged on a range of categories including, but not limited to, intonation, technique, balance, interpretation, blend, and overall musical effect. After their stage performance, bands will go to another venue to be judged on their sight-reading capabilities. The sight-reading selections are newly published pieces that have not been available for performances.

Ratings are:

- I - Superior**
- II - Excellent**
- III - Good**
- IV - Fair**
- V - Poor**

1:55 P.M.

LF Addington/JW Adams Combined Band (I/II)

Josh Brown, Director
 Fanfare March
 Riptide
 Abide With Me
 The Tempest

Frank Erickson
 David Shaffer
 Robert W. Smith
 Robert W. Smith

-----JUDGES' BREAK 2:35-3:20-----

3:25 P.M.

Pennington Middle School Band (II)

Ben Harding, Director
 Silvergate Overture
 Conundrum

John Edmondson
 Robert Sheldon

3:50 P.M.

Marion Senior High School Concert Band (III/IV)

Brandon Guffey, Director
 Flying Tigers March
 In Endless Song
 Legend of Crystal Lake

David Shaffer
 Robert Lowry
 David Shaffer

4:15 P.M.

Rural Retreat High School Concert Band (III)

Kevin English, Director
 Marche Diabolique
 Pevensey Castle
 Peer Gynt Suite #1
 Mvmts. I, II, IV

Brian Balmages
 Robert Sheldon
 Edvard Grieg

4:40 P.M.

Northwood High School Symphonic Band (II/III)

Matthew Warnock, Director
 Valley Forge March
 Bonsai Tree
 Convergence

Karl King
 Julie Girous
 Larry Clark

11:50 A.M.

George Wythe High School Band (IV)

Dan Wilner, Director
Brighton Beach
Nightfall
Apollo: Myth and Legend

William P. Latham
James Swearingen
Rob Romeyn

12:15 P.M.

Fieldale-Collinsville 7th Grade Band (III)

Scott Allred, Director
Woodlake March
Black Forest Overture
Pulsation

John O'Reilly
Michael Sweeney
Richard Saucedo

12:40 P.M.

Patrick Henry High School Wind Ensemble (V)

Pete Marcum, Director
New Colonial March
Dancing in Air
Seagate Overture

Andrew Glover
Yo Goto V
James Swearingen

1:05 P.M.

Holston High School Band (IV)

Uley Daniels, Director
Land of Liberty
Abracadabra
In Times of Triumph

James Swearingen
Frank Ticheli
James Swearingen

1:30 P.M.

Fieldale-Collinsville 8th Grade Band (III)

Scott Allred, Director
Radetzky March
Festivo
Mystic Portal

J. Strauss/arr. Balent
Vaclav Nelhybel
Sean O'Loughlin

This year, District VII is proud to have a judging panel of highly qualified and respected adjudicators. They are:

Daniel Frankenberger -----Sight Reading

A native of North Carolina, **Daniel Frankenberger** received a Bachelor of Fine Arts degree from Brevard College and a Master of Music degree in Wind Ensemble Conducting from the New England Conservatory of Music. He has furthered his education by attending the Conductor's Institute of the University of South Carolina and the North Texas University Conductor's Collegium.

In July of 2006 Mr. Frankenberger and family moved to Virginia after he was hired as band director for the Radford City Schools System. His duties for Radford are teaching all of the beginning through high school bands, which include marching band, concert bands, jazz band and several small ensembles. Prior to his arrival in Radford, Mr. Frankenberger held middle and high school teaching positions in Georgia, Florida and North Carolina, and served as adjunct faculty at South Florida Community College.

At New England Conservatory Mr. Frankenberger studied conducting with Frank Battisti. He was able to guest conduct many fine ensembles including: the NEC Wind Ensemble, the NEC Jordan Winds, the Eastern Nazarene College Wind Ensemble, the NEC Youth Symphony and the Massachusetts Youth Wind Ensemble.

Mr. Frankenberger's professional affiliations include the Music Educator's National Conference, Virginia Music Educators Association, and Virginia Band & Orchestra Association. He is also an honorary member of the Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia. The Frankenberger family is made up of beautiful wife Jaclyn and their three boys, Caleb, Jack and Samuel.

Dr. Stephen E. King-----Stage Judge

Stephen E. King, a native Kentuckian, joined the Music Department faculty at Virginia Tech in the fall of 1997. His teaching responsibilities have included supervision of student teachers and interns, music education methods and graduate music education. In 2007-8 he was the conductor of the University Symphonic Wind Ensemble. He currently teaches the Graduate Music Education teacher licensure program in the Virginia Tech, School of Education. Dr. King retired from the Roanoke County Schools in June 1997 following 32 years of service in the public schools of Virginia. Dr. King was Supervisor of Fine Arts for the Roanoke County Schools for 11 years. He also served as Director of Bands at William Byrd High School, Vinton, Virginia for 17 years and Coeburn High School, Coeburn, Virginia for 4 years. His bands at William Byrd High School and Coeburn High School consistently earned superior ratings.

Dr. King holds degrees from Western Kentucky University - Bachelor of Music; Radford University - Master of Science; and Virginia Tech - Doctor of Education.

Active in professional music and arts organizations locally, statewide and nationally, Dr. King has served as President of the Virginia Music Educators Association and the Virginia Band and Orchestra Directors Association. In addition, he served as Secretary of the Virginia Alliance for Arts Education. Locally, he has served on the Board of Directors for the Roanoke Symphony Orchestra and as member of the Arts Council of the Blue Ridge Legislative Committee. An elected member of the American School Band Directors Association, he serves ASBDA as Research Chair.

Active in advocacy for music education and fine arts, Dr. King served as chair and legislative liaison of the Virginia Coalition for Fine Arts Education and as Government Relations Chair for the Virginia Music Educators Association, Inc.

In recognition of his work in music education, Dr. King received the Virginia Band and Orchestra Directors Association, Philip J. Fuller

5:05 P.M.

Carroll County High School Concert Band (IV)

Michael Farina, Director
Advance Harold Bennett/arr. Clark
Redemption Rossano Galante
The Last to Defend David Shaffer

5:30 P.M.

Pulaski County High School Wind Ensemble (IV)

Matthew Shrewsberry, Director
Army of the Nile Kenneth Alford
Songs of Old Kentucky Brant Karrick
Kivgik Carl Strommen

5:55 P.M.

Richlands High School Wind Ensemble (V/VI)

Bruce Miller, Director
Imperial March Karl King/arr. Milford
On the Banks Matt Conway
Spitfire! Gary P. Gilroy

THURSDAY, MARCH 17, 2016

11:00 A.M.

Glade Spring Middle School 8th Grade Band (III)

Bob Ballengee & Pete Marcum, Directors
Knightsbridge March Johnnie Vinson
An Irish Legend Ed Kiefer
On the Edge of the Sword David Shaffer

11:25 A.M.

Union Middle Combined Band (II)

Kimberly Sturgill, Director
Lexington March John Edmondson
Dramatico Robert W. Smith
Celtic Air and Dance Michael Sweeney

1:55 P.M.

John Battle High School Symphonic Band (IV/V)

Mark Collins & Will Shell, Directors

The Fairest of the Fair

Sousa/arr. Fennell

Kindred Spirits

Brian Balmages

Second Suite in F

Movements III & IV

Gustav Holst

-----JUDGES' BREAK 2:35-3:20-----

3:25 P.M.

Richlands Middle School Wind Ensemble (III)

Bruce Miller, Director

Darklands March

Randall Standridge

Sketches of Canada

Michael Story

Carpe Diem

Rob Grice

3:50 P.M.

Galax High School Concert Band (IV)

Chris Sklar & Linda Bartlett, Directors

Burma Patrol

John Edmondson

Awakening Hills

Richard Saucedo

That Which Binds Us

Brian Balmages

4:15 P.M.

Lee High School Concert Band (III/IV)

Ben Harding, Director

Acclaim March

Larry Clark

Where the Black Hawk Soars

Robert W. Smith

Legacy—Overture for Band

James Swearingen

4:40 P.M.

Wallace Middle School Symphonic Band (II/III)

Mark Collins & Will Shell, Directors

Colonel Bogey

Andrew Balent

Gates of Orion

Michael Sweeney

Shipwrecked

Ryan Nowlin

Award; and the C. Sidney Berg award; the American School Band Directors Association, Edwin Franko Goldman Award; was inducted into the Phi Beta Mu International Band Fraternity, Hall of Fame; and, the WKU Music Department, Wall of Fame. He is the first recipient of the Virginia Tech Distinguished Music Educator Award. Additional professional memberships include: Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia, Phi Delta Kappa and NAFME.

Dr. King maintains an active schedule as an adjudicator, guest conductor and clinician throughout the southeast. He has served as a consultant to the Virginia Department of Education.

Dr. Donald Sorah-----Stage Judge

Dr. Donald Sorah serves as Music Division Coordinator and Assistant Professor of Music and at The University of Virginia's College at Wise where he teaches applied trumpet and horn, conducting, music technology, orchestration, improvisation, and a variety of additional courses. He is also the director of the college's jazz ensemble, trumpet ensemble, and coaches the newly formed student brass quintet.

In addition to his responsibilities at UVA-Wise, Dr. Sorah serves as the founding conductor and musical director of the *Winds of the Mountain Empire*, a regional professional wind ensemble founded in 2006. The ensemble recently celebrated their tenth annual concert with a performance of Johan de Meij's *Symphony No. 1 "Lord of the Rings."*

Dr. Sorah served as band director at J.J. Kelly High and L.F. Addington Middle Schools in Wise, VA from 1996-2003, where his bands received excellent and superior ratings in both concert and marching festivals in Virginia, Kentucky, North Carolina, Tennessee, and Georgia. Dr. Sorah is an active guest conductor, clinician, adjudicator, and lecturer throughout the region.

As Associate Director of the Spirit of America National Honor Band (1999-2004), Dr. Sorah conducted and performed as trumpet soloist through Europe. He performs regularly with the Symphony of the

Mountains (Kingsport, TN), has been a featured soloist on multiple occasions with the Symphony of the Mountains and Symphony of the Mountains Chamber Players, and has performed with the Johnson City Symphony Orchestra (TN), and the Lexington Philharmonic Orchestra (KY). Dr. Sorah is a founding member of the Black Diamond Brass Quintet.

Dr. Sorah holds the Doctor of Philosophy Degree in Music Education from The Florida State University, a Master of Music in Trumpet Performance, and a Bachelor of Music Education both from Morehead State University (KY).

John Wright-----Stage Judge

John E. Wright (b. 1977) received his associates degree in Social Science from Virginia Western Community College and a Bachelor's of Music from Radford University. He is currently the Director of Bands at Andrew Lewis Middle School, Assistant Band Director and Percussion Instructor at Salem High School in Salem, Virginia. His bands have participated in VBODA District VI Concert Assessment's receiving Excellent & Superior ratings. John arranges/writes percussion music for marching band and writes marching band drills for several schools across Virginia. He is a member of Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia and Tau Kappa Epsilon. He lives in Roanoke, VA with his wife, Jessa and 2 daughters, Brynn & Elle and his Son Jett.



WEDNESDAY, MARCH 16, 2016

11:00 A.M.
Virginia Middle School 8th Grade Symphonic Band (III)

Ben Parks, Director	
Big Circus March	Robert E. Foster
When the Spring Rain Begins to Fall	Randall Standridge
To Conquer the Kraken	Robert W. Smith

11:25 A.M.
Narrows High School Concert Band (IV)

Karyn Spade, Director	
Lexington March	Karl King/J. Swearingen
Iditarod: Dog Sled Race	Robert Buckley
Into the Storm	Robert W. Smith

11:50 A.M.
Damascus Middle School Band (II)

Uley Daniels, Director	
Young American March	John Kenyon
On the Colorado Trail	Pierre La Plante
Foxwood Overture	Anne McGinty

12:40 P.M.
Chilhowie High School Concert Band (IV)

Logan Childress, Director	
Arch of Triumph	Johnnie Vinson
Ammerland	Jacob De Haan
Pine River Trilogy	Ed Huckleby

1:30 P.M.
Central High School Concert Band (II/III)

Josh Brown, Director	
Call to Duty	Gene Milford
Amazing Grace	Sean O'Loughlin
Adrenaline Engines	Randall Standridge

5:05 P.M.

Virginia High School Symphonic Band (IV/V)

Gary Skeen, Director

Darklands March

Southern Hymn

Flashing Winds

Randall Standridge

Samuel Hazo

Jan VanDer Roost



Special Thanks

Gary Skeen—Event Co-Host

Ben Parks—Event Co-Host

Kevin English—Event Chair

Allison Deel- Program

Daniel Frankenberger—Sight-reading Judge

Dr. Stephen E. King—Stage Judge

Dr. Donald Sorah—Stage Judge

John Wright—Stage Judge

Logan Childress—Website Support

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