The Delta State University Department of Music

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DELTA STATE UNIVERSITY

BANDS

The 2020 Delta State University Honor Band Clinic

Honors Middle School Band Ms. Dee Dee Pitts Gulfport School District

Honors Symphonic Band Mrs. Stephanie DeLuca Florida State University, Tallahassee, FL

Honors Wind Ensemble
Michael Colburn, Col, USMC (Ret.)
Butler University, Indianapolis, IN

January 16-18, 2020

Bologna Performing Arts Center Delta and Pine Land Theatre

Honors Middle School Band Program

To be selected from the following:

Summit Fanfare William Owens
Tu Ungane Scott Watson
Astron David Shaffer

Bazaar Randall D. Standridge The Water is Wide arr. James Swearingen

Middle School Clinician

Ms. Dee Dee Pitts

Dorshandrell "Dee Dee" Pitts is in her 15th year of teaching band in Mississippi. She is currently in her eleventh year with the Gulfport School District where she serves as the Associate Director of Bands for Gulfport High School. She conducts the Symphonic Band, teaches marching band, and oversees the middle school programs within the district. She is also an adjunct professor of Trombone at William Carey University. Before her current position, she served as Director of Bands for Gulfport Central Middle School.

Ms. Pitts received her Bachelor of Music Education Degree from Delta State University and her Masters of Music in Conducting Degree from the American Band College through Southern Oregon University. She is also a National Board Certified teacher. Ms. Pitts is a member of the Mississippi Bandmasters Association, American School Band Director's Association, Gulf Coast Band Director's Association, and Phi Beta Mu. Ms. Pitts also serves as an Education Consultant with Music For All Inc. where she mentors directors in the I-65 Corridor Collaborative.

Ms. Pitts has served as a guest clinician and presenter throughout the state of Mississippi and surrounding areas, and has consistently produced Superior bands throughout her career. She has an active private studio and is the lead Trombonist for the Coast Big Band. Ms. Pitts has earned several awards including Teacher of the Year for Gulfport Central Middle School and Gulfport School District, Band Director of the Year for the Gulf Coast, as well as an Educator of Distinction for the NSHSS.

Honors Middle School Band Members

Flute

Mackenzie Mapes

Randy Sap Benjamin Ni Abby Matthews Peyton Holder Sharon Ni

Gracie Rigsby

Clarinet

Madison Burt Arelena Riley Brooklynn Hall Caroline Lowe Morgan Barnett Samantha Reyes Andrew Voigt David Bryant

Bass Clarinet

Charlotte Denniston

Oboe

Ailyn Ortega Clara Beth Ketchum Skylar Lubbers Sydney Beane **Bassoon**

Marissa Morris Spencer Carlisle Tyrone Chatman

Alto Sax

Ashlyn Balash William Schuster Evan Jeter Khaleiya Figirrad Bonnie Koestler Isabella Conaway

Jayla Beaty

Mackenzie Morgan Seth Strickland Paul Anthony Eli Harrington

Tenor Sax

Grady Sartain

Horn

Lucianna Marquez Perry Patton

Trumpet

Sean Irwin Joana Gunter Daisy Ruedas Brennah Ferguson **Trombone**

Nate Lawson
James McRee
Chandler Jolly
Tyler Whisenhunt
Aurora VanBrunt
August Duncan

Euphonium

Bryce Stegall Emily Alford

Tuba

Amyieyra Harding Logan Lewis William Donlon Lucas Pledger

Percussion

Ignacio Benavides
Jon Carter
Deven Davis
Mackenzie Hedleston
Lorena Montoya
Eli Potts

Sadie Rogers Walker Smith Chris Wright

Honors Symphonic Band Program

To be selected from the following:

Bonnie Eloise JP Thomas/Knoener
Normandy Beach March John Edmondson
Rain Brian Balmages
Danse Carnivale Randall Standridge
When Summer Takes Flight Robert W. Smith
Phantom Train Ed Huckeby

Symphonic Band Clinician

Mrs. Stephanie DeLuca

Stephanie DeLuca is a native of Corsicana, Texas. She attended Baylor University where she earned her Bachelor of Music Education majoring in flute and minoring in oboe and saxophone. She earned a Master of Music in Wind Band Conducting from Baylor University where she studied with Dr. Eric Wilson. While at Baylor, she served as a Graduate Teaching Assistant and Conductor for the Golden Wave Marching Band, Wind Ensemble, Symphonic Band, Concert Band, and undergraduate conducting courses. She was also a featured guest conductor with the Baylor Symphony Orchestra.

Mrs. DeLuca previously taught in the Waco area at Robinson and Clifton ISD. She served as Associate Director of Bands at Clifton High School and Middle School. At the Texas Marching Band Competition, the Clifton High School Marching Band placed second in 2015 and seventh in 2017. Mrs. DeLuca also maintained superior ratings with the Clifton Middle School Band program and placed in the Texas Outstanding Performance Series.

Mrs. DeLuca is currently perusing her Ph.D. in Music Education with an emphasis in Wind Band Conducting at Florida State University. She has served as a Graduate Teaching Assistant and Conductor for the FSU Wind Orchestra, Wind Ensemble, Symphonic Band, Concert Band, and Marching Chiefs. She has studied conducting under the batons of Prof. Richard Clary, Dr. Patrick Dunnigan, Dr. Eric Wilson, Dr. Isaiah Odajima, and Prof. Stephen Hyde.

Mrs. DeLuca is an active guest conductor and has served as a clinician and adjudicator for concert and marching festivals across the south. She is a member of the Florida Music Educators Association, Texas Bandmasters Association, Texas Music Educators Association, Omicron Delta Kappa, and Mu Phi Epsilon. She currently resides in Tallahassee, Florida, with her husband, James, and two dogs.

Honors Symphonic Band Members

Flute

Maya Eddins Emily Lopez

Samantha McCauley-Swaim

Elizabeth Jue Mary Kate Sheppard Harley Zeigler Maggie Franks Persha Childs Asteric Whitt

Oboe

Karolina Heathcock Hailey Witt

Clarinet

Danielle McConnell Shelby Brooks Allison Wray Bailey Meade Reagan Dyess Sarah Milner Rylee McIntyre Keenan Jackson Kelsey Haney

Bass Clarinet

Kamarion Hooks

Alto Saxophone Logan Sinquefield

Aaron Littlejohn Cote Pena Emma Grace Griggs Sophia Salguero Drake Estep Laura Beth Calvert Sophie Hines Colton Fuqua

Tenor Saxophone

Haley Washington Sydney Guntharp

Baritone Saxophone

Conner Cook Sebastian Coleman

Horn

Isaac Williams Wesley Williams Emily McNeer Jake Butler

Trumpet

Caleb Strawn
Garian Edwards
Matthew Lopez
Matthew Tidwell
Makayla Gandy
Darla Bonner
Parker Carlisle
John Jones
Joshua Fernandez

Trombone

Bryan Valentin Kelsi Fournier Roquade Spencer Cooper Robertson Carson Webb Brandon Pruitt Marquez Hundley Mikey Franklin Olesha Mayfield Phillip Chandler Taylor Lindsay Brandon Echols Gavan Sullins

Bass Trombone

Roger Braniff

Euphonium

Reagan Watson Devantae Spearman Logan Walker Michael Carter Caroline Marley

Tuba

Michael Franklin Philip Hectorne Jamarion Higgenbottom Brandon Ware Matthew Blackwelder Garrett Jackson Michael Tvarkunas

Percussion Stevonta Mayfield

Noel Terrell Macy Holloway Keifer Baker Will Casavechia John Michael Ferguson Memery Feathers

Honors Wind Ensemble Program

To be selected from the following:

The Thunderer John Phillip Sousa
Overture for Winds Charles Carter
Simple Gifts Frank Ticheli
Summerland William Grant Still
Undertow John Mackey

Wind Ensemble Clinician

Michael Colburn, Col, USMC (Ret.)

Michael Colburn joined the faculty of Butler University as Director of Bands in August, 2014. In addition to conducting the Butler University Wind Ensemble, he offers instruction in conducting, euphonium, and the history and literature of the wind band. Before coming to Butler, Colburn served for 27 years in "The President's Own" United States Marine Band, where he held a variety of positions including Principal Euphonium (1991-1996), Assistant Director (1996-2004), and Director (2004-2014). As Director, Colburn was music advisor to White House and regularly conducted the Marine Band and Chamber Orchestra at the Executive Mansion and at Presidential Inaugurations. He was promoted to Colonel by President George W. Bush in a private Oval Office ceremony in 2007, and in 2014 he was awarded the Distinguished Service Medal by Gen James Amos, Commandant of the Marine Corps, and the Medal of Honor by the Midwest Band and Orchestra Clinic Board of Directors.

Colburn is an active guest conductor and clinician. He regularly conducts bands at numerous state and regional festivals and has guest conducted several professional and university bands and wind ensembles. Committed to the creation of new music for winds, Colburn serves as the Co-Chair of the Sousa-Ostwald Award, a prize sponsored by the American Bandmasters Association in order to promote new works for wind band/ensemble. He has served as an adjudicator for the Sudler Award, the Barlow Endowment, Music for All, and the Col. George S. Howard award for excellence in military bands. Colburn is a member of Washington D.C.'s prestigious Gridiron and Alfalfa Clubs, the American Bandmasters Association, and a board member of the John Philip Sousa Foundation.

Honors Wind Ensemble Members

Flute

John Goodson Diana Gillespie Megan Campbell Josie Spivey Rachel Mehutcs

Oboe

Ada Colburn

Clarinet

Josie Tripp Allison Thomas Grace Gonzales Alicia Benavides Sarama Brown Lillian Starrett Emma Ming Mikhyla McGee Abigail Vargheese

Bass Clarinet

Amy Almanza

Alto Sax

Bobby Onsby Max Wright

Tenor Sax

Nathaniel Hawkins

Bari Sax

John Metcalfe

Horn

Matthew Butts Ann Carraway Caruthers Rebekah Ball Lillian Angle Hayden Joyner

Trumpet

Kyle Nix Ella Kate Nichols Chloe Mabus Alyson Nunn Semira Brown Jim Calvert Jacob Lowther

Trombone

Lilli Bailey Ben Jackson Julia Smith Connor Popp Christian Fisher Aubrey Arendale Elena Chaney

Euphonium

Coda Hamblin Peyton Simmons Jaderiq Craft

Tuba

Ethan Argroves Evan Little Logan Ross

Percussion

Cody Yoder Eliseo Fernandez Elizabeth Willis James Cavallo JT Ungurait Jacob Marshall

Music at Delta State University

The **Department of Music at Delta State University** offers an active and innovative program providing an intensive and challenging experience with emphasis on the individual student. The Department prepares music majors for careers in the field of music and provides supportive instruction to both majors and non-majors in the history, theory, teaching, and performance of music to cultivate the development of musical skills, knowledge, and appreciation. The Department fosters an engaging and stimulating environment on campus and in the surrounding community by presenting musical performances that are open to the public, mentoring music students of all ages, and developing partnerships with school music programs and music teachers in the region and state.

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