



Samford University

Division of Music

Samford University High School Honor Band

Conductors:

Mrs. Heather Palmer & Mr. Justin White

Leslie Stephen Wright Center

January 13, 2024

4:00 p.m.

Symphonic Winds

Heather Palmer, Conductor

Flute

Josie Rhone
Peyton Morton
Luis Torres
Sara Cook
Tatum Wallace
Audrey Coleman
Mallory Knighten
Saylor Miller
Kaylie Butler
Ivana Montano

Oboe

Savannah Lee
Walker Norris
Anyia Todd

Clarinet

William Dominguez
Sydney Burleson
Arianna Rivera
Aaron Trevino
Gihanna Moore
Lillie Bunn
Elisea Bryant
Hana Helu
Savannah Rossomme

Bass Clarinet

Andrew Ralph
Anneslie Meza

Alto Saxophone

Gabrielle Mckenzie
Ava Abbott
Logan Buff
Reese Keller

Tenor Saxophone

Max Karell
Amanda Jusino
Melendez
Kimberly Corona

Trumpet

Michelle Burleson
Grace Shelton
Carlos Lopez
Kaiden Conkling
Clayton Rutledge
Addy Bailey
Daniel Funderburg
Brayden Cain
Nathan Rigdon

French Horn

Amelia Sullivan
Gavin Tidwell
Taylor Duke
Brady Clark

Trombone

Jason Edwards
Nathanael Wright
Dyllan Hare
Samuel Cooley
Zion Spann
Ezekiel Cone
Nicholas Smith

Euphonium

Cecelia Earley-Smithson
Jala Poke
Mya Walsh
Kayla Noland
Luke Seeley

Tuba

Abigail Watts
Elliott Andrews
Lilith Dyson

Percussion

Russell Baxter
Tyler Needham
Emma Kate Brakefield
Matthew Shinn
Jacob Larimer
Addison Todd
Jeremiah Orr
Kaitlyn Patterson

Mrs. Heather Palmer in her 21st year as a music educator in the state of Alabama. She has been the associate director of bands at Vestavia Hills High School in Birmingham Alabama since 2004. She received her Bachelor of Music Education degree from Samford University. Prior to her appointment at Vestavia Hills High School, she served as assistant director at Pizitz Middle School from 2004-2006, and Bottenfield Middle School/ Minor High School from 2003-2004.

Throughout her career, her bands have consistently earned superior ratings at Music Performance Assessment and other band festivals. The Vestavia Hills High School Rebel Marching Band performed in the 2010 London New Year's Parade in London, England, the 2018 Dublin St. Patrick's Day Parade in Ireland and the 2024 Rome New Year's Day Parade in Rome Italy.

Mrs. Palmer has been a marching band adjudicator, guest clinician, and guest conductor. She is a member of the National Association of Music Educators, Alabama Music Educators Association, Alabama Bandmasters Association, and the Rho Chapter of Phi Beta Mu International Bandmasters Fraternity.

She is married to Brad Palmer (DoubleStop Percussion) and they have one daughter Ella Palmer (16) and reside in Hoover AL.

Program

Halcyon Hearts

Katahj Copley
(b.1998)

Songs of Old Kentucky

Brant Karrick
(b.1960)

Jitterbug!

Robert Buckley
(b.1946)

Festival Winds

Justin White, Conductor

Flute

Gianna Davito
Zoya Aleezada
Zoey Yarbrough
Anli Chen
Zoey Hewitt
Hannah Gibbs
Annika Dalton
Isabella Rutledge
Joanna Reardon
Violet Parr
Andera Ye

Oboe

Claudia Williams
Elyza Johnson

Bassoon

Hudson Hodges

Clarinet

Maria Levio
Raven Leftwich
Cannon Spidle
Autumn Berry
Erin Talley
Kayla Smith
Zara Mckelvey
Kotaro Saigusa
Meghan Cheeks

Bass Clarinet

Quentin Dunham

Alto Saxophone

Paul Dungan
Julie Long
Dylan Strickland
Charity Harrison

Tenor Saxophone

Diego Rosales
Sandra Valencia

Bari Saxophone

Alexander Chingas

Trumpet

Caleb Wilson
Joel Nelems
Brady Spencer
Mauricio Zambrano
Devontae Craig
Anson Gonzalez
Jayda Gaines
Jackson Painter
Caleb White

French Horn

Talise Milligan
Victoria Whisenant
Jeremiah Bray
Alex Williams

Trombone

Steffan Thurman
Will Hayes
Sam Webster
Daniel Edwards
Andrew Head
John Johnson
Mac Maflahi

Euphonium

James Nunnally
Max Warren
Grace Golightly
Jakob Schilling
John Reed Sobers

Tuba

Drake Miller
Byron Monge
Johnny Earnest
Hudson Bone

Percussion

Benjamin Marin
Beckett Dalton
Jackson Reardon
Brice Neugent
Lane Allen
Auston Parks
Laura Mize

P. Justin White currently serves as the Interim Director of Bands at Samford University. Prior to Samford, Justin served as Assistant Director of Bands at the University of Alabama and Director of Bands at Thompson High School. He attended the University of Alabama where he graduated magna cum laude with a B.S.Ed. Mr. White was a Master's Conducting Associate at the University of North Texas, where he earned a M.M. in Wind Conducting with a related field in Music Education in 2014. While at UNT, he was a conducting student of Nicholas Enrico Williams, Dennis Fisher and Eugene Migliaro Corporon.

Mr. White is a published research assistant and assistant producer for two volumes of *Teaching Music through Performance in Band*, volume 10 and *Beginner Band* volume 3. In 2020, Mr. White was selected winner in The American Prize conducting competition for winds and outstanding young band director by the Alabama Chapter of Phi Beta Mu. He is a sought-after conductor and adjudicator; recently judging the King's Royal Trophy International Band Competition in Bangkok, Thailand. In 2017, he was selected as the winner of the World Music Competition's Conducting Competition – North American Regional and represented the U.S. at the 2017 World Music Competition in Kerkrade, Netherlands. The Alabama Music Educators Association selected Mr. White as the 2018 Outstanding Young Music Educator.

Prior to the University of Alabama, Mr. White served as Director of Bands at Thompson High School in Alabaster, AL. Ensembles under his direction consistently earned superior ratings. In 2017, the Thompson Jazz Ensemble was selected as a finalist and competed at the Swing Central competition in Savannah, GA. The following year, the Thompson Jazz ensemble performed at the AMEA conference with Wycliffe Gordon. Under his direction the Thompson Symphonic band performed at the inaugural Crimson Festival of Winds. In 2019, Mr. White and colleague Michael Chambless presented a session titled "From Fussing to Focused" at the AMEA conference.

His professional memberships include Kappa Kappa Psi, Phi Kappa Lambda National Music Honor Society, National Association for Music Education, National Band Association, Jazz Education Network and the Alabama Music Educators Association.

Program

Skyward	Katahj Copley (b. 1998)
Ye Banks and Braes	Percy Aldridge Grainger (1882 – 1961)
Wart Hog #3	Austin Wrinkle (b.1971)
<i>Carmen</i> , Suite no. 2 - Habanera	Georges Bizet (1838 – 1875)
Melodious Thunk	David Biedenbender (b.1984)

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