

# COLUMBIA COMMUNITY CONCERT BAND

Celebrating 45 Years of Making Music in the Midlands!

Roger Simpson, Conductor

William Ackerman, Assistant Conductor

## *“Spring Declarations”*

April 19, 2026

4:00 PM

Airport High School Auditorium

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- Declaration Overture ..... Claude T. Smith
- The Star-Spangled Banner ..... Francis Scott Key and John Stafford Smith
- Chorale and Shaker Dance ..... John Zdechlik  
Conducted by William Ackerman
- Sleepers, Awake ..... Johann Sebastian Bach / arr. Alfred Reed
- King Cotton ..... John Philip Sousa / ed. Frederick Fennell

-Intermission (10 minutes)-

- Third Suite ..... Robert Jager  
I. March      II. Waltz      III. Rondo
- Highlights from Beauty and the Beast ..... Howard Ashman and Alen Menken / arr. John Moss
- Swing the Mood ..... arr. Michael Sweeney
- Country Gardens .... Percy Grainger / adapted by John Philip Sousa /arr. Keith Brion and Loras Schissel

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The band is grateful to the administration of Lexington County School District Two and the administration, faculty, staff, and students of Airport High School - particularly Robert Spittler, band director, Amanda Wrona, choral director, Caitlyn McDonald, orchestra director, and Caitlin White, theater teacher - for their assistance and use of their facilities and equipment. Special thanks to Adam Raczkowski for his assistance with sound and lighting and to all who volunteer their time, talents, and resources to make the band possible.

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PERSONNEL  
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**Flute**

Julia Begeman - West Columbia - Scientist  
Joleta Bell - Blythewood - CFO  
Cecilia Black - Lexington - Author  
Megan Century - Columbia - High School Math Teacher  
Emily Edwards - West Columbia - Health Center Assistant  
Katherine Goyea - College Student  
Ginnifer Johnson - Columbia - Report Designer  
Lynn Martin - West Columbia - Retired - State Government  
Nicole Stoudemire - Lexington - Elementary Substitute/Tutor  
Irma Van Scoy - Gaston - Retired Education Professor  
Valerie Ward - Columbia - High School Math Teacher  
Catherine Wilson - Columbia - Retired Regional Coordinator  
for Deaf Services

**Oboe**

William Ackerman - Columbia - Retired Band Director  
Autumn Lyell-Hedgpeath - Batesburg - Veterinarian

**Clarinet**

Christina Arp - West Columbia - Social Worker  
Andy Bowers - Columbia - Mechanical Engineer  
Franklin Buie - Columbia - Retired Pastor  
Hannah Christiansen - Cayce - Electrical Engineer  
Matt Helms - Columbia - Environmental Enforcement Project  
Manager  
Matthew Jones - West Columbia - Pharmacy Technician  
Melissa Manning - Columbia - Attorney  
Sherry Moncer - Lexington - Accounts Manager  
Amanda Simmons - Lexington - Information Technology  
Analyst  
Gayle Sims - Columbia - Retired Elementary Teacher /  
Education Supervisor  
Antashia Thomas - Columbia - Braider  
Robin Todd - Lexington - Admissions Coordinator

**Alto Clarinet**

Edward King - Columbia - Pastor

**Bass Clarinet**

Patricia Frye - Orangeburg - Retired Professor  
Emanuel Moreno - West Columbia - Laboratory Analyst  
George Runyan - Columbia - Retired Music Teacher/Director

**Bassoon**

Jeanette Simpson - Gilbert - Director of Children's Ministry

**Alto Saxophone**

Sarah Davis - Columbia - Administrative Assistant  
David Hancock - West Columbia - Design Engineer  
Gary Hodo - Columbia - Psychologist  
Stephanie Jackson - Columbia - Training Coordinator  
Connor Rhoades - Columbia - Software Developer  
Michael Saxton - Columbia - Band Director

**Tenor Saxophone**

Deborah Fisher - West Columbia - Life Engagement Specialist  
/ Pianist  
Alison Westmoreland - Lexington - High School Spanish  
Teacher

**Baritone Saxophone**

Russell Chambers - Salem - Retired Audit Manager

**Trumpet**

Stephanie Bergeron - Columbia - Audiologist  
Eric Filios - Ridgeway - Film/Video/TV Editor  
Jimmy Johnson - Columbia - Data Analysis Manager  
Kelby Kenner - West Columbia - Front of House Specialist  
Ramiro Lucas-Mariano - Columbia - Researcher  
Eugenia Matthews - West Columbia - Home Health Nurse  
Gene Moncer - Lexington - Programmer Analyst  
Donald Schmotzer - West Columbia - Retired Telephone  
Technician  
Bob Schwartz - Columbia - Retired Army Bandsman  
Brice Swanson - Blythewood - Accountant  
Candace True - Columbia - Freelance Musician  
Bailey Walker - Irmo - Operations Manager  
Ethan Watkins - Columbia - Band Director

**Horn**

Theresa Bundrick - Lexington - Customer Relations Specialist  
Doug Grover - Cayce - US Army Musician  
Nell Mauney - Columbia - Retired Law Enforcement  
Mia Rapport - Columbia - RN Claims Reviewer  
Lisa Stone - Columbia - Data Entry  
Kayla Yost - Columbia - Band Director

**Trombone**

Alexis Belyus - Sumter - Music Teacher  
John Overcash - Columbia - Office Manager  
Bob Peak - Irmo - Quote Manager  
Ryan Peak - Irmo - College Student  
Steve Wilson - Columbia - Retired US Air Force  
Kyle Wisniewski - Columbia - Program Tech Coordinator (IT)

**Euphonium**

Allen Archer - Lexington - Retired Accountant  
Cara Edwards - Columbia - Retired Teacher/School  
Administrator  
Alex Hay - Cayce - Information Technology Consultant  
Steven Lee - Columbia - Business Analyst

**Tuba**

Margaret Rose Blankenship-Brown - West Columbia - 5 K  
Assistant  
Ed Brown - West Columbia - Forensic Psychologist  
John Motto - Columbia - Retired Physician  
Payne Seal - West Columbia - IT Professional  
Scott Wills - Columbia - Stormwater Compliance Inspector

**String Bass**

Bill Knehans - Lexington - Retired U.S. Navy

**Percussion**

Angela Ward - West Columbia - Referral Specialist  
Michael Ward - West Columbia - Commercial Graphics  
Melissa Wingate Oswald - Ridgeway - Small Business Owner  
Calvin Yates - Columbia - System Analyst