

Spring band concert!

Sunday 7:30 P.M.

April 10, 2022

*University of Nebraska at Omaha
Jan & John Christensen Concert Hall
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Guest Conductor
Dr. Jay Gilbert
Doane University



2020 NWS
Scholarship Winner
Kendall Wooden
Percussion



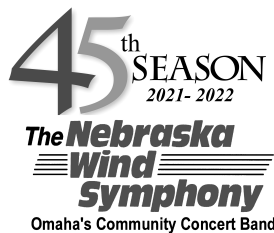
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Director

Keith Michael Davis
Associate Director

The NWS performance will follow UNO's COVID-19 performance guidelines available at unomaha.edu/maverick-covid-response.



Welcome to Spring!



Here we are, wrapping up another formal concert season of the Nebraska Wind Symphony, something that a year ago we thought was impossible. Thank you to everyone who has kept us going, supported us financially, showed up at our concerts and kept us smiling. It's been a gamble and a lot of work, but you can't stop a band!

Have no fear! The season isn't completely over! We have two free summer concerts planned, and you can check them out on the back cover of this program. Actually, check out the entire program to keep up to date on this 45-year-old Omaha institution, and tune in to our Facebook page, our website, Twitter and Instagram. Pass this program on to one of your friends who never heard of "The Nebraska Wind Symphony." Huh? What's that?

Last October we performed a moving tribute concert to the Earth here at UNO called "Our Planet – A Very Small Stage" and performed much of that same concert soon after at the Nebraska Music Educators Association at the Lied Center in Lincoln. Rave reviews all around. Omaha piano virtuoso Dr. Kristín Jónína Taylor added her skill and sensitivity to both concerts. Thank you, Dr. Taylor.

December brought us closer to the holidays with our winter concert, and in February we welcomed our Middle-School All-Stars to the stage. The NWS continues to keep Omaha area young musicians close at hand, both with the All-Star concert and with our annual Memorial Scholarship Winners. Virtually all of us in the band played an instrument in school while growing up, and we know how important those experiences were to our social, scholastic and cultural success. Spreading the word!

It will be great to see all of you at our summer concerts, and welcome you back in the fall for even more great concert band music. And we say "Happy 98th Birthday" to our founder, Mr. Darwin "Tony" Snyder, who along with his wife, Joan, is thriving in their retirement living in St. Louis, Missouri, near their son. Tony, we could not have done this without you!

NWS Director

Dr. Joshua Kearney

Joshua Kearney is Assistant Professor, Assistant Director of Bands, and Director of Athletic Bands at the University of Nebraska at Omaha where he is responsible for all aspects of the athletic band program, teaches courses in music education and conducting, and directs the University Band. In addition to his duties at UNO, Dr. Kearney serves as Music Director of the Nebraska Wind Symphony. Kearney began his career as a teacher in the public schools south of Nashville, Tennessee.



Dr. Kearney has worked as an adjudicator and clinician for ensembles of all levels—maintaining an active guest conducting schedule with ensembles locally and across the United States. Additionally, Kearney regularly shares his research and experiences through conference presentations around the country including the South Dakota Bandmasters Association, the Nebraska State Bandmasters Association, the Nebraska Music Educators Association, the Michigan Music Conference, conferences of the College Band Directors National Association (CBDNA), and the Midwest Band and Orchestra Clinic in Chicago. 2021-22 engagements include presentations at the conference of the World Association of Symphonic Bands and Ensembles (WASBE) in Prague, Czech Republic, the National CMS Conference in Rochester, NY, guest conducting at the All New England Band Festival, and other regional and state events.

An advocate of new music, Kearney regularly works with composers in the creation and performance of new works for winds. His direct efforts have contributed to pieces by Keith Davis, Catherine Likhuta, Giovanni Santos, Scott Boerma, Donald Grantham, Steven Bryant, Joe Krycia, and Anthony O'Toole. Dr. Kearney is also an active editor and arranger, having provided music for the UNO Athletic Bands, the Spartan Marching Band of Michigan State University, the UNO Symphonic Wind Ensemble, the Columbus State University Wind Ensemble and Trombone Choir, the Southeast Trombone Symposium Professors Choir, and the Springer Opera House (GA). In 2020, Boosey & Hawkes announced plans to include Kearney's educational edition of Georg Druschetzky's *Partita No. IV* within their acclaimed Windependence Chamber Ensemble series. In 2017, Boosey & Hawkes also published Kearney's critical edition of Emil Hartmann's *Serenade for Winds* (Op. 43) which is regularly featured in prominent conducting symposia throughout the United States. Carl Fischer/Presser Music recently announced the publication of Dr. Kearney's transcription for trombone choir of Charles Ives' *Variations on 'America'* which received its premiere at the 2021 International Trombone Festival by the Southeast Trombone Symposium Professors Choir—an ensemble composed of leading trombonists from across the United States.

Kearney earned his Doctor of Musical Arts in Conducting from Michigan State University where he studied with Kevin Sedatole and his Master of Music in Conducting from Columbus State University (GA) where he was a student of Jamie L. Nix. He also earned his Bachelor of Music in Music Education from Columbus State University. Kearney holds affiliations with the Nebraska State Bandmasters Association, Nebraska Music Educators Association, National Association for Music Education, College Music Society, and the College Band Directors National Association. Kearney has served on the Executive Board for the Nebraska State Bandmasters Association and currently serves as Chair of the Social Media Committee for the College Band Directors National Association.

Solo Marimbist
Nebraska Wind Symphony
2020 Scholarship Winner



Kendall Wooden

Our soloist today is Kendall Wooden, a music performance major at the University of Nebraska at Omaha. Aside from his devotion to God and his family, music is his ultimate purpose and passion. Kendall discovered his love for music at age 9 during his first drum set lesson. He is fascinated with percussion and the depth of the art. His experiences include the Bellevue West High School marching band's drum line and Indoor Percussion, selection as timpanist for the Nebraska All-State Band and superior ratings at District Music Contests.



NWS Associate Director
Keith Michael Davis

Associate Director Keith Davis is a native of Kansas City, Missouri and has made Omaha his home since 1991. He received his Bachelor of Music in Composition (1988) and Master of Music in Horn Performance (1990) from the University of Missouri- Kansas City Conservatory of Music. He has composed music for many instrumental ensembles, but has written mainly for symphonic and concert bands. His commissioned works include *A Western Plains Overture*, *Native Hunters*, *delicate survivors of life's mighty storms* and *Bastion of Freedom*. He has also made special arrangements for

the Wind Symphony, including a transcription of Ravel's *Mother Goose Suite*, an arrangement of *Amazing Grace* for band and bagpipes and several holiday selections. Keith has been a playing member of the Nebraska Wind Symphony since 1992 and also serves as Music Librarian. Keith frequently directs the Nebraska Wind Symphony, including the *Making Spirits Bright* concert on Thanksgiving Day at the Holland Performing Arts Center. He also plays principal horn with Orchestra Omaha and performed the Richard Strauss *1st Horn Concerto* with them in 2019. Keith lives in Gretna with his wife, oboist Deanna Davis, and their pets.

Today's Guest Conductor

Dr. Jay Gilbert

Dr. Jay W. Gilbert is director of instrumental music, at Doane University in Crete, Nebraska. He conducts the Concert Band and the Tiger Pep Band. He is also the music director of the Community Concert Band.

A native of Madison, Wisconsin, he holds a bachelor's degree in music education from the University of Wisconsin-Madison and masters and doctoral degrees in conducting from Northwestern University in Evanston, Illinois, where he studied with the renowned conductor and arranger, John P. Paynter, and the outstanding orchestral conductor, Victor Yampolsky.



Dr. Gilbert's career as a band director began in the public schools of Wisconsin, where he taught instrumental music in elementary, middle, junior high, and high schools. Prior to his appointment at Doane, Dr. Gilbert was assistant director of bands at Baylor University in Waco, Texas. He has been a guest conductor throughout the United States and Canada. He has also served as a presenter for numerous state conventions and the Midwest International Band and Orchestra Clinic. in Chicago.

An interest in composition and arranging has produced a number of works including Suite Divertimento, which has been selected for several state music lists.

His study of quality wind band literature is often cited, and a summary of his research is included in the book *The Winds of Change* by Frank Battisti. He is also a contributing scholar to the series *Teaching Music Through Performance in Band*, Volumes II, III and IV. Dr. Gilbert has received several awards including a Distinguished Service Award from the Nebraska State Bandmasters Association, a Citation of Excellence from the National Band Association, an Artist's Fellowship from the Nebraska Arts Council, and the Zenon Hansen Leadership Award for his outstanding contributions to Doane College. Recently he was recognized as the outstanding teacher of the year by the college's student congress and was inducted into the University of Nebraska at Omaha's Band Hall of Fame.

Dr. Gilbert and his wife Laura live in Crete.



The Nebraska Wind Symphony

Performers for this concert, Sunday, April 10, 2022

Flute Nancy Boyer – <i>Retired</i> Fran Coren C – <i>Homemaker</i> Lisa Erickson – <i>Teacher</i> Lisa Heaton* – <i>USPS Clerk</i> Betsy Kallstrom – <i>Retired Flute Instructor</i> Lisa Line – <i>Attorney</i> Paula Markuson – <i>Social Service Worker</i> Candace Nelson – <i>Carmody & Sons Admin</i> Anne Ratashak – <i>Retired</i> Mary Sanderson – <i>Receptionist,</i> <i>St. Robert Bellarmine</i>	Alto Saxophone Dan Kingkade* – <i>Retired</i> Randy Mimick – <i>BPA, AFLAC</i> Patty Stewart – <i>Claim Adjuster</i> Sarah Stratton – <i>Music Administrator, OPS</i>	Euphonium Luke Ervin – <i>Music Teacher,</i> <i>St. Wenceslaus Catholic School</i> Daniel Simerly – <i>Amazon Driver</i> Mark Simerly* – <i>Product Manager</i>
Oboe Rebecca Inhen – <i>Office Manager, Opera Omaha</i> Allison Malcolm – <i>Managing</i> <i>Director, Sterk Financial Services</i>	Tenor Saxophone Deb Lund – <i>Retired Band</i> <i>Teacher/Administrator</i>	Tuba Mark Dauner – <i>Marketing</i> Kevin Gilreath – <i>Retired</i> Brian Krack* – <i>Manager Trading Operations</i> Bill Lindau – <i>Human Services, Retired</i> Tim Stewart – <i>Engineer</i>
Clarinet Lucas Abraham – <i>Repair Technician,</i> <i>Schmitt Music</i> Sue Corwin – <i>Food Services,</i> <i>Council Bluffs Community Schools</i> Sheryl Cuba – <i>Retired</i> Don Fisher – <i>Director of</i> <i>Instrumental Studies, Iowa Western</i> Roger Kruger – <i>Retired</i> James Reed – <i>Fiction Writer</i> Pat Stronck – <i>Medical Billing</i> Barbara Teter* C – <i>Veterinarian</i>	Bari Saxophone Doug Bogatz – <i>Director of</i> <i>Instrumental Music at Fremont HS</i> Jake Senff – <i>Band Director, Waverly</i>	Percussion Isaac Ebke, <i>Crete,</i> <i>Music Ed Major at Doane</i> Annalyn Fassler – <i>Claims</i> <i>Supervisor, Progressive</i> Steve Jordon* – <i>Retired Reporter</i> Susie Kearney – <i>Vocal Music</i> <i>Teacher, OPS</i> Steven Michael C – <i>Pilot/Dentist</i> Sean Murray, <i>Panama City,</i> <i>Panama, Engineering Major at Doane</i>
Bass Clarinet Carol Curry* C – <i>Retired</i> Lauren Milbourn – <i>Band Director,</i> <i>Millard South</i>	Trumpet Wayne Harrison – <i>Retired Professor, UNO</i> Bethany Krack* – <i>School Counselor, Bellevue</i> Jim Larson – <i>Retired</i> Chris Ramsay – <i>Maintenance</i> Rebecca Shively – <i>Industrial/Organizational Psychologist</i> Howard Speck – <i>Retired</i> Jessica Todd – <i>Pet Care</i> Erica Wasson – <i>Elementary</i> <i>Music Teacher</i>	Piano Brian Stanley – <i>Composer and Pianist</i>
Bassoon Hunter Holoubek – <i>Student</i> Brent Sandene – <i>Assessment Specialist</i>	Horn Christi Bierman – <i>Bilingual</i> <i>Sales Support, Mutual of Omaha</i> Andrew Braun* – <i>Music Educator, OPS</i> Keith Davis – <i>Composer/Arranger</i> Annalou Helzer - <i>Spanish Teacher,</i> <i>Ralston High School</i> Helen Jordon – <i>Artist/Retired</i> Abra Prescott – <i>Special Education</i> <i>Teacher, Ashland-Greenwood</i>	General Business Manager Lindsey Bogatz
C = <i>NWS Charter Member</i> * = <i>Section Leader</i>	Trombone Kyle Avery – <i>Music Teacher,</i> <i>Gretna Public Schools</i> John Baker – <i>Pathologist, UNMC</i> Dale Irvin – <i>Compensation Specialist</i> Brian Lund* – <i>Retired</i> Michael Stelzle – <i>Engineer</i> Alex Toews – <i>Software Developer</i>	The Board of the Nebraska Wind Symphony Dale Irvin, President Sean Kelly, Vice President Allison Malcolm, Secretary Jessica Todd, Secretary Bob Wege, Treasurer Analynn Fassler Carol Curry Robert Hanlon Sarah Stratton Kevin Gilreath

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The Lighthouse Keeps Watch Brooke Pierson

Keith Davis, Associate Music Director

Concerto for Marimba and Symphonic Band Ney Rosauero

Saudação (Greetings)

Despedida (Farewell)

Kendall Wooden, Marimba Soloist

Nebraska Wind Symphony 2020 Memorial Scholarship Winner

Selections from Autobiography for Band Robert Russell Bennett

South Omaha

Corn, Cows, and Music

– Brief Pause –

Holy God from “Two Chorales” Pavel Chesnokov

arr. Jay Gilbert

On the Big Blue Lumir Havlicek

ed. Jay Gilbert

Dr. Jay Gilbert, Guest Conductor

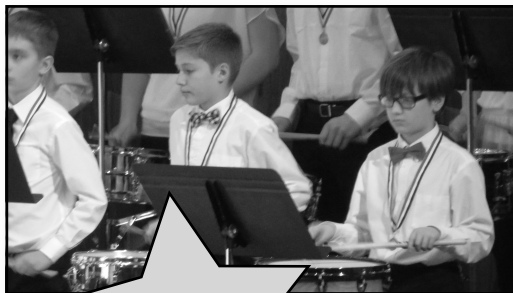
Give Us This Day David Maslanka

Moderately Slow

Very Fast

The NWS Middle School All-Stars

Every February, the Nebraska Wind Symphony invites musicians from area middle schools to join us at our concert, rehearsing and performing with us on the stage. We are involved in the community, encouraging our young people to stay involved in music, knowing that making music is a lifetime joy. Find out more about the All-Star history from the NWS History page on our webpage - <http://nebraskawindsymphony.com/about/nws-history>

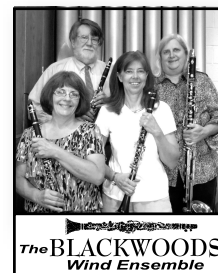


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The Swingtones & More!

The Nebraska Wind Symphony includes small ensembles, such as the Blackwoods Wind Ensemble, a clarinet group available for weddings and other events. We have the NWS Saxophone Quartet and more.



The Nebraska Wind Symphony Swingtones Big Band was formed in 1983 by trumpeter Mark Foster, consisting of 18 semi-professional musicians mostly from the Nebraska Wind Symphony, with a repertoire that includes big band arrangements in the style of Glenn Miller, Tommy Dorsey, Duke Ellington, Harry James, Woody Herman, Les Brown, and many others. Led by Brian Lund, trombone, the band features vocalist Renee Novak Rich.

Throughout the years, this big band has provided dancing and listening entertainment at private parties, dinners, dances, fund-raising events and concerts in the Greater Nebraska/Iowa Area. With more than 230 musical selections in the band's library, including ballads, fox trots, waltzes, polkas, beguines and other Latin numbers, there are lots of choices for dancing. Selections also include 20 big band gospel tunes appropriate for concerts. The NWS Swingtones are available for public and private events. For more information on rates for performances of 1 to 3 hours contact us at:

info@nebraskawindsymphony.com - Or call: Brian Lund at 402-201-6350

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Omaha's Community Concert Band

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Music in Catholic Schools Benefit Dance & Silent Auction
Friday, JUNE 24, 2022

at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish Center
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Dancing: 7:30 - 10:00 pm

Free Dance Lessons: 6:15 - 7:15 pm

Silent Auction, beverages, and desserts available

Music by the NWS **Swingtones**

Tickets at the Door:

Adults -\$15; Seniors and Students -\$10

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NEW DATE!

Support the NWS Memorial Scholarship Fund



The NWS Memorial Scholarship was created in the spring of 2007 to honor past playing members. The awards provide financial assistance and encourages continued performance in a college/university band ensemble, which we hope leads to involvement in a band after college. Consider making a gift of any amount to the NWS Memorial Scholarship Fund to honor an existing playing member or in memory of an NWS member, someone who enjoyed NWS concerts, or simply loved concert band music. Because of increased gifts in the last few years, we now award two scholarships, one for \$500 and one for \$1,000. Your generous support will allow us to continue to grow the scholarship amount to better serve future recipients. Thank you for supporting instrumental music through your financial gifts to NWS.

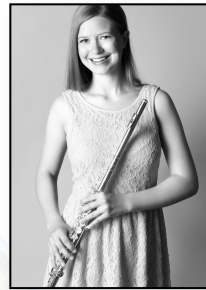
Some of the past NWS Memorial Scholarship Winners



*Samuel J. Kalhorn
2018*



*Erica Wilkins
2021*



*Abigail Innis
2014*



*Zach Beran
2013*

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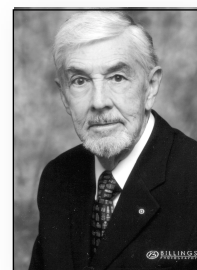
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