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**2023 NWS
Scholarship Winner
Paige Michaud**



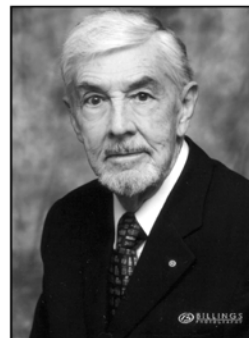
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Welcome!

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2022 - 2023
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Omaha's Community Concert Band

Welcome to all this evening to the University of Nebraska at Omaha's concert stage at Strauss Performing Arts Center as we wrap up the formal concert season of the 46th year of the Nebraska Wind Symphony, Omaha's Concert Band. That's forty-six years of bringing together adult members of the community who played music in school and have not forgotten the joy they experienced making music with other like-minded people.



Forty-six years ago, Omaha Westside teacher Darwin "Tony" Snyder gathered up people he knew who might be interested in forming a concert band. Tony passed away this last January 2, in St. Louis, Missouri, so today we are celebrating his life and the history he gave us. Joining us today are some of Tony's family - his son, Mark Snyder and Mark's wife, Karen, from St. Louis, Tony's daughter, Melanie Coon from the Tulsa, Oklahoma, area, and Mark and Karen's daughter, Erin, from Detroit. Please greet them and thank them for lending us their father. You will find more about Tony on Page 6 of this program.

We are also featuring our 2023 NWS Scholarship Winner! Today we will enjoy the skill and delight of Paige Michaud as she plays the "Finale" from Carl Reinecke's *Concerto in D Major, Op. 283*. Paige might convince you that spring IS here!

Speaking of seasons, summer will be here before long, and the Nebraska Wind Symphony and the Swingtones will be presenting FREE two summer concerts. Mark your Calendars!

Summer fun!
 *The Swingtones*

Sunday, June 11, 2023
NWS Free Concert
"Summer Concert"
6:00 pm Swingtones,
7:00 Band- Inside at
St. Robert Bellarmine
Catholic Church

Sunday, July 2, 2023
NWS Free Concert
"Fourth of July Concert"
TBD- Outside at
The Granary, Ralston

NWS Director

Dr. Joshua Kearney

Joshua Kearney is Assistant Professor, Interim Director of Bands, and Director of Athletic Bands at the University of Nebraska at Omaha where he is responsible for all aspects of the UNO band program, teaches courses in music education and conducting, and directs the Symphonic Wind Ensemble and athletic bands. 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 outside of Nashville, Tennessee.



Dr. Kearney has worked as an adjudicator and clinician for ensembles of all levels—maintaining an active guest conducting schedule locally and across the United States. Additionally, Kearney regularly shares his research and experiences through conference presentations and workshops around the country including the Millard and Omaha Public Schools, College Music Society (CMS) regional and national conferences, 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), the Midwest Band and Orchestra Clinic in Chicago, and the World Association of Symphonic Bands and Ensembles (WASBE) conference in Prague. Under Kearney's direction, the Nebraska Wind Symphony was selected as a featured performer for the 2021 NMEA Conference.

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.



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.

Guest Conductor
Jake Senff



Jake Senff is in his first year teaching at Elkhorn South High School after two years at Waverly Middle School. He co-directs all instrumental ensembles at Elkhorn South with Brian Nelsen. He received his Bachelor's of Music Education from the University of Nebraska at Omaha in 2019 where he participated in the Symphonic Wind Ensemble, Concert Choir, Jazz Ensemble, Jazz Combo, and the UNO Saxophone Quartet. He studied conducting with Dr. Karen Fannin and saxophone with Dr. Darren Pettit and Dr. Patrick Brown. Jake has performed as a saxophonist internationally with the World Youth Wind Orchestra Project in Schladming, Austria and in Lithuania with the UNO Concert Choir. In his free time, he performs with the Nebraska Wind Symphony, enjoys playing volleyball, and traveling with his partner, Ryan.

NWS 2023 Scholarship Winner

Paige Michaud

A poised and dynamic flutist, **Paige Michaud** has performed in masterclasses with prestigious flutists around the world including Daniel Carlo, Sergio Pallottelli, Horacio Massone of the Buenos Aires Philharmonic, and Matthieu Gauci-Ancelin of the Berlin Philharmonic. In addition to regular local performances in and around Omaha, Michaud performed at the 2019 Chicago Flute Festival, the 2021 Flauti al Castello Festival in Anghiari, Tuscany, Italy, and the XIV Festival Flautas del Mundo in Mendoza, Argentina. The youngest competitors in the field, Paige and her piano partner, Yimeng Xu, won first prize in the 2021 Puerto



Rico International Collaborative Piano Competition with their polished performance of music by Samuel Zyman and Amy Beach. In 2022, Michaud won first place in the Lincoln Symphony Young Artist Competition. She is the current principal flute of the Heartland Philharmonic Orchestra, former principal of UNO's Symphonic Wind Ensemble, and a core member of the Heartland Flute Choir, the latter of which performed a commission by Julia Wolfe in the 2022 National Flute Convention. In addition to her many successes as a performer and a passionate proponent of feminism and diversity, equity, and inclusion, Paige's article "Misogyny in Mozart: Is *Le Nozze di Figaro* Truly About Figaro?" was published in the Summer 2021 edition of the Nebraska Music Teacher Association Newsletter.

Guest Conductor

Dan Kingkade

Dan Kingkade was the first associate conductor of the the Nebraska Wind Symphony, serving from 1991 to 1995. Dan received his Bachelor of Music Education degree from Drake University in 1975 and a Masters of Counseling Psychology from University of Nebraska at Omaha in 1995. A native of Des Moines, Iowa, Dan taught instrumental music in several Iowa school districts for 10 years. He worked more than 40 years as a leadership and management consultant, trainer and professional counselor for Richman Gordman Department Stores, Methodist Hospital, The Gallup Organization and Boys Town. Dan joined the Nebraska Wind Symphony in 1987, is a member of the Swingtones and has served on the Board of Directors for the NWS. He lives in Omaha with his wife, Georgette, and is enjoying the retired life.



Darwin "Tony" Snyder, 1924-2023

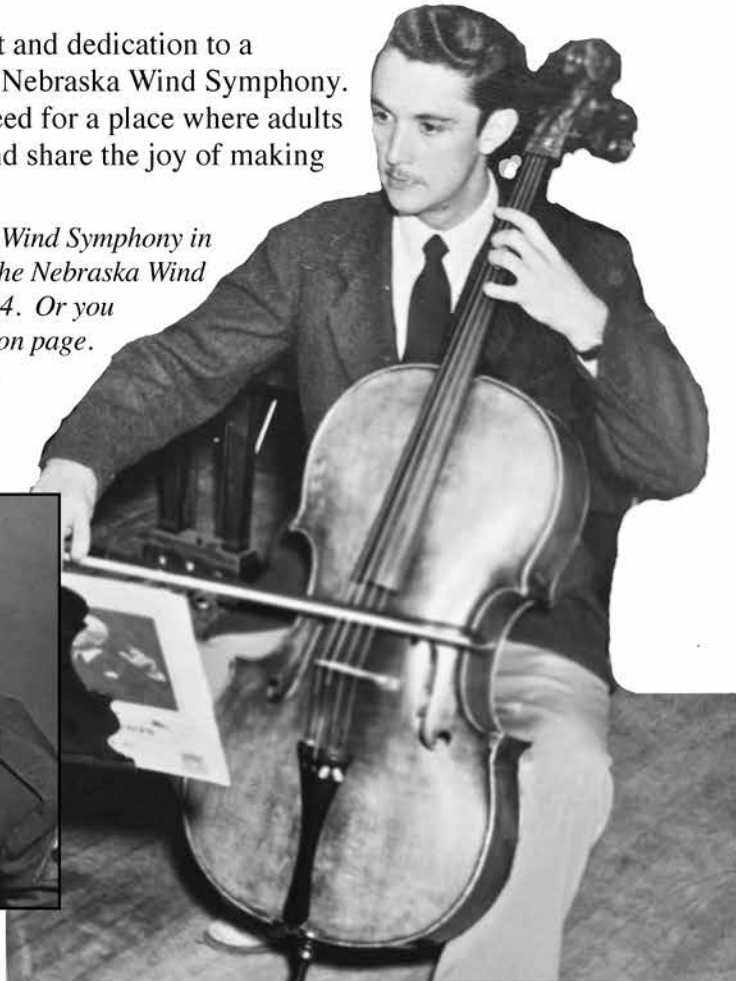
A native of Marathon, Iowa, Tony served in France and Germany during World War II. In 2020 Guillermo Lacroix, France's Midwest consul general, presented Snyder with France's Legion of Honor, the highest award for those who helped save the French republic. Snyder earned music education degrees from Morningside College in Sioux City and the University of Colorado. Snyder founded the Nebraska Wind Symphony in 1977 as a performing group for adults in the Omaha area, and he conducted the band for its first 18 years.



We gratefully acknowledge his foresight and dedication to a lifetime of music including forming the Nebraska Wind Symphony. It is wonderful that he recognized the need for a place where adults of all walks of life can come together and share the joy of making music in a concert band.

Contributions may be made to the Nebraska Wind Symphony in memory of Tony. Donations may be sent to the Nebraska Wind Symphony, PO Box 24114, Omaha, NE 68124. Or you can give online through our website's donation page.

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Psalms for Tony

Salvation is Created Pavel Chesnokov
Arr. Kearney

Nathan Evans, *Cello*
Westside High School Student

Psalms 74 (consortium premiere). Brooke Pierson

Adoration Florence Price
Tr. Williams

Jake Senff, *Guest Conductor*

From the Delta William Grant Still
Work Song
Spiritual
Dance

Concerto in D Major, op. 283 Carl Reinecke
Tr. Davis

Paige Michaud, *Flute*
NWS Memorial Scholarship Competition Winner

The Cowboys John Williams
Ar. Curnow

Americans We Henry Fillmore
Tr. Fennel

Dan Kingkade, *Guest Conductor*

The Nebraska Wind Symphony

Performers for this concert, Sunday, April 16, 2023

Flutes

Nancy Boyer – *Volunteer*
 Fran Coren C – *Retired*
 Lisa Erickson – *Teacher, MCC*
 Lisa Heaton * – *USPS Clerk*
 Lisa Line – *Attorney*
 Paula Markuson – *Social Service Worker*
 Candace Nelson – *Retired Office Manager*
 Anne Ratashak – *Retired Medical Technologist*
 Mary Sanderson – *Retired*

Oboe

Allison Malcolm – *Director, Certified Financial Planner*

Clarinets

Lucas Abraham – *Band Instrument Repair Technician*
 Leif Albertson (Bass) – *Music Teacher, Elkhorn Public Schools*
 Tami Cervantes – *Medical Social Worker*
 Sue Corwin – *Retired*
 Sheryl Cuba – *Retired*
 Carol Curry (Bass) C – *Retired*
 Roger Kruger – *Retired*
 James Reed – *Fiction Writer*
 Pat Stronck – *Medical Billing, Senior Associate*
 Barbara Teter * C – *Veterinarian*

Bassoons

Hunter Holoubek – *Music Teacher, Yutan Public Schools*
 Brent Sandene – *Retired*

Saxophones

Donald Jacobson C – *IWCB Director*
 Dan Kingkade * – *Retired*
 Deb Lund (Tenor) – *Retired band teacher/administrator*

Randy Mimick – *Business Consultant*
 Jake Senff (Bari) – *Music Teacher, Elkhorn Public Schools*
 Patty Stewart – *Claims Adjustor, State Auto*
 Sarah Stratton – *Music Administrator, OPS*

Trumpets

Joel Edwards – *Doctor of Audiology at Boys Town*
 Wayne Harrison – *Retired Professor*
 Bethany Krael * – *School Counselor, Bellevue Public*
 Jim Larson – *Retired*
 James Patton – *JP Woods and Prints*
 Christopher Ramsay – *Machina Maintenance*
 Rebecca Shively – *Education Specialist, Farm Credit Services*
 Jessica Todd – *Asst. General Manager, Omaha Dog Bar*
 Erica Wasson - *Music Teacher, Papillon LaVista*

French Horn

Christi Bierman – *Bilingual Sales Support*
 Andrew Braun * – *Music Teacher, OPS*
 Keith Davis – *Composer/Arranger*
 Anna Helzer – *High School Teacher, Ralston*
 Helen Jordon – *Artist*

Trombone

Kyle Avery – *Music Teacher, Gretna*
 John Baker (Bass) – *Retired Pathologist*
 Dale Irvin – *Retired*
 Alan Lightbody – *Retired*
 Brian Lund* – *Retired*
 Alex Toews (Bass) – *Software Developer*

Euphonium

Trenor Campbell – *Music Teacher, Millard*
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Tuba

Kevin Gilreath – *Retired IT*
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 Tim Stewart - *Senior Engineer*

Percussion

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 Robert Wege – *Retired Air Force*

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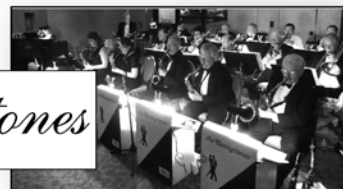


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The Swingtones



The NWS Swingtones Big Band was formed in 1983 by trumpeter Mark Foster. It consists of 18 semi-professional musicians mostly from the Nebraska Wind Symphony. The repertoire includes big band arrangements in the style of Glenn Miller, Tommy Dorsey, Duke Ellington, Harry James, Woody Herman, Les Brown, and many others. The NWS Swingtones are led by Brian Lund, trombone, and features vocalist Renae Rich. Check with Brian Lund at 402-493-3721

DID YOU KNOW? that the Nebraska Wind Symphony is a proud member of the Association of Concert Bands? Former NWS Director Larry MacTaggart filled us in recently about the benefits of an **INDIVIDUAL** membership in this long-respected organization. IF you join, you can have access to the NAXOS Music Library, a collection of recordings that far exceeds Spotify, etc.!

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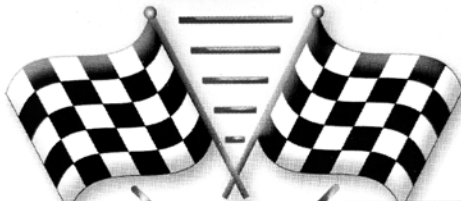
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The NWS Memorial Scholarship was created in the spring of 2007 to honor past playing members. The awards provide financial assistance and encourages continued performance in a college/university band ensemble, which we hope leads to involvement in 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



*Nestor
Pelayo
2018*



*Samuel J. Kalhorn
2018*



*Erica Wilkins
2021*



*Abigail Innis
2014*



*Zach Beran
2013*



*Evan
Hoylman
2016*



*Schylar
Junginger
2015*



Cal Switzer, 2017



*Tate Rittenberger
2012*



*Kendall Wooden
2022*

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June 11, 2023

Swingtones 6:00, Band 7:00

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July 2, 2023 Time: TBD

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