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Brass Band



NABBA Preview Concert

Kevin Stees, *conductor*

Tuesday, April 1, 2025

7:30 pm

Forbes Concert Hall



There will be one 15-minute intermission.

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Program

Laude

James Curnow
(b. 1943)

Crazy Twenties

Thierry Deleruyelle
(b. 1983)

Paris, 1920 - Interwar - Montparnasse - Bloody Mary - Charleston

15-Minute Intermission

Sinfonietta No. 3

Etienne Crausaz
(b. 1981)

The World Rejoicing

Symphonic Variations on a Lutheran Chorale

Edward Gregson
(b. 1945)

JMU Brass Band

Personnel

Principal Cornet	Olivia Ellsworth
Soprano Cornet	Owen Brown
Solo Cornet	Max Parrish
	Peyton Phaller
	Taylor Lowry
	Chris Atkinson
Repiano Cornet	Jocelyn Moyer
2nd Cornet	Jamie Johnson
	Charlotte Connolly
3rd Cornet	Mason Puckett
	Jordan McDougald
Flugel Horn	Steffi Tetzloff-Judson
Solo Horn	Ryan Johnson
1st Horn	Jacob Taylor
2nd Horn	Finn Marks
	Will Rapp
1st Baritone	Hannah Caraker
2nd Baritone	Daisey Kludt
1st Trombone	Jack Waters
2nd Trombone	Nikhil Argade
Bass Trombone	Gavin Torrence
Euphonium	Ben Fuller
	Jennifer Carden
Eb Bass	Logan Davis
	Henry Taylor
Bb Bass	Josh Holsinger
	Jackson Lee
	Andy Helvey
Percussion	Brian McDermott
	Olivia Miller
	Kobe Noel
	Jonathan Ramirez
	Emily Stevens

Massanutten Brass Band

Personnel

Principal Cornet	Chris Walton
Soprano Cornet	Alec Moser
Solo Cornet	Micah Wingfield
	Chris Roussey
	Will Dabback
	Jon Ringle
Repiano Cornet	Susan Allen
2nd Cornet	Mary Stees
	Sophie Harrison
3rd Cornet	Betsy Coe
	Wyatt Smith
Flugel Horn	Steffi Tetzloff-Judson
Solo Horn	Caroline Fauber
1st Horn	Will White
2nd Horn	Sarah Macomber
1st Baritone	Ryan Stees
2nd Baritone	Jeff Carriker
1st Trombone	Kyle Remnant
2nd Trombone	Sam Funkhouser
Bass Trombone	Doug Sensabaugh
Euphonium	Sean Macomber
	Nathan Ringle
	Daisey Kludt
Eb Bass	Michael Allen
	Alan Shull
Bb Bass	Andrew Foote
	Mitchell Evans
	Will Swatman
Percussion	Emily Stevens
	Adelaide Hoffman
	Zane Johnson
	Kristian Schembri

About the JMU Brass Band

Currently the 2024 North American Brass Association Championship Section winning band, the JMU Brass Band stands as one of the most successful collegiate brass bands in the world. Formed by Professor Kevin Stees in the Fall of 2000, the band quickly rose to prominence, winning the North American Brass Band Association (NABBA) 1st Section Championship in 2004 and 2005. They have also been the NABBA Championship Section Runner-up in 2006, 2007, 2010, 2016, 2019, and 2022.

The JMU Brass Band maintains an active schedule, performing regularly throughout the academic year. They have been featured at numerous prestigious festivals and conferences, including the American Trombone Workshop, Virginia Music Educators Conference, Great American Brass Band Festival, U.S. Army Tuba Euphonium Workshop, and the Southeast Regional Tuba Euphonium Conference.

In the summer of 2008, the ensemble embarked on a concert tour of England, sharing the stage with many outstanding bands, including the world-famous Cory Band. In 2009, they made history as the first brass band to perform a full-length concert at the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts in Washington, D.C. The band's international presence continued to grow with a performance in 2012 at the International Tuba Euphonium Conference in Linz, Austria. In 2017, they became the first U.S. brass band to be featured at the Royal Northern College of Music Brass Band Festival in Manchester, England. In 2022, they proudly represented the United States in the Championship Division of the 19th World Music Contest in Kerkrade, Netherlands.

Always committed to showcasing new repertoire, the JMU Brass Band has given the North American premiere of over a dozen major works for brass band. Currently ranked among the top 100 brass bands worldwide, the JMU Brass Band continues to set high standards and achieve remarkable milestones in the world of brass music.

About Massanutten Brass Band

The Massanutten Brass Band, from Virginia's beautiful Shenandoah Valley, was formed in September of 2001 and has developed a loyal and enthusiastic following of brass band enthusiasts. Now celebrating its 23rd season, the ensemble is comprised of musicians from Northern Virginia, Charlottesville, and the Shenandoah Valley.

The band's personnel include school band directors, music professors, university music students, and serious amateur musicians. The ensemble performs throughout the central Shenandoah Valley region and has performed as the featured ensemble at the Virginia Music Educators Conference.

The band was awarded first prize in the Second Section (2007), third prize in the First Section (2009 and 2010), second prize in the Second Section (2023), and, most recently, first prize in the Second Section (2024) at the North American Brass Band Association Championships.

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