

Director's Message

Another year, another camp! I decided to try something different and actually not get gravely-ill this year! What made this year's program truly outstanding is this group of very talented high school students who came to campus from far and wide for the "Penn Band Experience(tm)." Twenty-one students from California, Tennes-



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see, Missouri, New York, New Jersey, Delaware, Pennsylvania and the City of Philadelphia, and even one student from South Korea! To invoke a little bit of 'Forest Gump' here, our program from year to year is a lot like a box of chocolates - you never really know who you will have to work with! For certain, I lucked out: to have had the opportunity to work with students who are not only passionate about their craft, but who are also both fun-loving and hardworking is both a pleasure and a privilege. These young adults have outstanding personal qualities – truly a credit to their parents and teachers. We are grateful that we had the chance to work with these students this past week, and only hope that we have the opportunity once again in the future.

The backbone of any good summer program is its staff. We were fortunate to have three talented counselors - current members of the Penn Band - involved with this year's camp: Gordon Watkins, Jaci Rifkin, and Michael Wojcik. This year's resident guest clinician, Penn Band alumnus Steve Birmingham, worked with the students all week on elements of leadership and group dynamics, adding a very important (and fun!) dimension to the student's camp experience. Penn Band alumni Brian Greenberg and Jeff Porten helped deliver a *bona fide* Penn Experience - the Halftime Show - to the students at Franklin Field. In all, these individuals were key in delivering a fantastic week to the students, and they have my deepest gratitude.

Many people from the University of Pennsylvania and surrounding region worked in concert to help make this program happen. We wish to thank: The students and alumni of the Penn Band, including Cindy Nicoletti, Joseph Coyne, Carly Weiss, Erik Hickman, John Palusci, Vince Palusci, Noah Becker, and Lynn Caroll, Band Camp Alumni William Rhoda, Noah Stang and Sophia Kosolapova, Directors Greer Cheeseman and Adam Sherr for their unwavering support, Brandie Plasket, Holly Marrone, Alketa Xhori, Kristin Heasley, and the rest of the staff at Conference Services, Ty Furman and Laurie McCall of Student Performing Arts, The University Museum of Anthropology and Archaeology, Penn Publications, The Department of Athletics, The Vice Provost's Office for University Life, The Alumni Council on Admissions, and The Penn School of Nursing.

Behind every Penn Band Director is an extraordinarily patient and loving wife...rolling her eyes at a dated photograph of her husband. The unwavering love and support of my wife (**Meryl**) and children (**Chloe** and **Deven**) never goes unnoticed.

Shout-outs

Thanks, Dr. Gupta, for a great week of band camp.

-- Ben Baranov

Hey Mom and Eric! Thanks for sending me to camp.

-- Emily

Flutes will always rule over trumpets, Steve!

Love, Sam

I loved band camp!

-- Jack

To anyone who came: thanks for coming!

The ferociously handsome Ryan Filtz

We'd like to thank our dad for driving us to and from the Platt Performing Arts House. Also, thank you Uncle Mike and Aunt Nancy for putting us up for a week.

Love, Emma and Elizabeth Kane

Being here at band camp has been a wonderful experience. Band camp allows me to be free in my music. It also helped me to take it seriously and have fun at the same time! I'm giving a shout out to my supporters. I really appreciate it! *Special thanks to Pastor Churn!

-- Jennine McKnight

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-- Tyler Zimmet

Mom, Dad, Izzy, and Grace, thanks for sending me to camp. I had a great week.

Love, Emma

To my mom and dad: you are the best! Thanks for always being there.

Love, Alexandra Ucal

P.S. – I am driving soon. Oh! No!

Hey, Jaci.

-- Woj

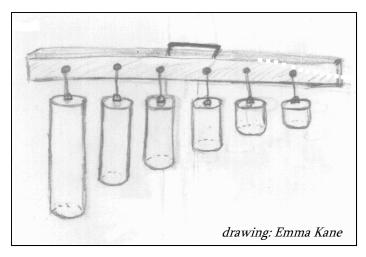
Hey, Woj.

-- Jaci

Where are Jaci and Woj?

-- Gordon

A Green Instrument by Samantha Rehrig



The hexicanphone was created as an economical and environmentally-friendly way to replace the bell tree (wind chimes). It is created by cutting six soda cans varying in size from the largest to the smallest. The soda cans are tied onto a string and the string is tied through drilled holes in a two-by-four. The two-by-four has a handle that can attach the entire instrument to a wall or a stand. It was created by Samantha Rehrig, Evan Roberts, Ben Baranov, and Emma Kane.











Thoughts on Camp by Alexandra Ucal





When someone hears the statement "band camp," you think geeks and music. But truly, we are a group of kids who love to make a beautiful sound. This camp is all about becoming a stronger person and musician. For this week we range on many different types of music and activities. From Bach to Muppets and communication-building to magic. The music industry is decreasing year by year and having a small, talented group like this shows that it will still be alive for a long time.





About the Penn Band Camp

The Penn Band is a happy marriage of quality collegiate music and good-hearted fun. Unlike most collegiate marching band programs, our members dedicate themselves to our organization not for academic credit or stipend or scholarships, but because of loyalty to our alma mater and for the love of music. Our Camp takes on this same spirit. We expose high school instrumentalists to music and mirth on our historic college campus. We perform a diverse repertoire of challenging and gratifying band music. A low student to instructor ratio is maintained to insure a high level of instruction and attention to each student. Our program includes guest lectures on topics in student leadership, group-building, and conducting. Most importantly, we provide a fun and rewarding experience that the students will always remember. The staff of this camp is comprised of the teaching staff of the University of Pennsylvania Band and several members of the group itself. Our summer camp program is in its 6th year here in Philadelphia. We have a fantastic program taking shape – one not to be missed! From fantastic music in our new facilities to fun activities on campus and in the city to great performance opportunities, our program promises students a rewarding experience that will not be found anywhere else!

Musical Selections

Kushol Gupta, conductor

The National Anthem Francis Scott Key, arr. Bill Moffit

conducted by Ryan Filtz

March of the Toreadors (Carmen) Georges Bizet, arr. Paul Erwin

Three Bach Chorales J.S. Bach, arr. Eugene Mitchell

The Muppet Show Theme Jim Henson and Sam Pottle

conducted by Emma Sanger-Johnson arr. Jerry Nowak

Sesame Street Theme Joe Raposo, arr. Richard Saucedo featuring Michael Wojcik (Trumpet), Jaron Breen (Alto Saxophone), Tyler Zimmet (Tenor Saxophone), and William Rhoda (Bass Saxophone)

10-minute intermission

Twinkle Twinkle Little Star Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart

performed by the woodwind ensemble arr. Paul Morgan

Fugue traditional Ioshua Bill Moffit

performed by the trumpet choir

Dueling Tubas Brad Schoener

performed by the tuba ensemble

Beauty and the Beast H. Ashman and A. Menken

conducted by Jaci Rifkin arr. Jay Bocook

The Great Escape Elmer Bernstein, arr. John Palusci

Final Countdown Joey Tempest, arr. John Higgins

Hollywood Milestones arr. John Higgins

Theme from Jaws, Love Theme, Star Trek, Raiders of the Lost Ark, Chariots of Fire, Back To The Future. Theme from E.T.. Beauty and The Beast, Theme from Jurassic Park. Forrest Gump (Main Title), Apollo 13

Performers

Flute

Samantha Rehrig Emma Sanger-Johnson Cindy Nicoletti^

Oboe

Emily Dunay

Clarinet

Lynn Carroll# Jeff Porten#

Alto Saxophone

Jaron Breen

Tenor Saxophone

Tyler Zimmet

Bass Saxophone

William Rhoda

Percussion

Kyung Ha Chris Becker Jaci Rifkin^* Gordon Watkins^* Jennine McKnight

Trumpet

Ben Baranov David Lakata Michael Wojcik^* Steven Birmingham#* Brian Greenberg#* Evan Roberts Joseph Coyne^

Trombone

John Palusci# Noah Becker#

Tuba

Emma Kane Elizabeth Kane Joe Becker Ryan Filtz

Baritone

Alexandra Ucal Vincent Palusci#

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