YOUR HOST FOR THE 63rd CONTEST OF CHAMPIONS

Middle Tennessee State University
BAND OF BLUE

Contest Staff

Reed Thomas.....Director
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Jennifer Stembridge .....Contest Manager
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Band Staff

Reed Thomas .....Director of Bands
Bryan Braue.....Associate Director of Bands
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Nathan Van Berkom.....Graduate Assistant
Deaven Knowles.....Graduate Assistant
Delana Renz.....Graduate Assistant
Julie Davila .....Percussion Instructor/Arranger
Brian Mueller.....Percussion Instructor
John Thamert..... Guard Instructor /Visual Coordinator
Niki Riley, Erica Geisler .....Majorette Instructors
Meredith Akkermann .....Seamstress
Aubrey Crosslin, Sam Miller Kayla Ownby and
Drew Sears.....Drum Majors
Angel Perez.....Band Manager
Caleb Cunningham ..... Band Uniform Manager
Drew Burroughs.....Tech Crew
Tyler Raiman.....Water Crew

Judging Panel

Preliminary Event
Individual Music - Brett Johnson, Colorado
Ensemble Music - Albert Lo, Texas
General Effect Music - Drew Shanefield, Pennsylvania

Individual Visual - Ryan Alm, Kentucky
Ensemble Visual - Shelba Waldron, Indiana
General Effect Visual - Ron Comfort, Indiana

Final Event
Individual Music - Albert Lo, Texas
Ensemble Music - Drew Shanefield, Pennsylvania
General Effect Music - Brett Johnson, Colorado

Individual Visual - Shelba Waldron, Indiana
Ensemble Visual - Ron Comfort, Indiana
General Effect Visual - Ryan Alm, Kentucky

Because all bands appearing in the program have won numerous honors prior to being issued an invitation to the contest, we would like to show our appreciation for their outstanding accomplishments.

All of the students performing today deserve an ovation for their commitment to excellence and their pursuit of perfection!

Each band is a champion among champions.

MTSU Contest of Champions
Order of Appearance

Classification

121 musicians and above (winds and percussion) ..... AAA
81–120 musicians (winds and percussion) ..... AA
80 musicians and below (winds and percussion) ..... A
This number includes all performing musicians. Appendant units are not included in total for purposes of classification.

Class A

9:00 LOUISVILLE MALE HIGH SCHOOL BAND, Louisville, Kentucky
Directors: Katelyn Blaszynski, Ashley Forrest
Drum Majors: Terrence Johnson, Ayona Knox, Geremiah Taylor-Green
Staff: Christi Wheatley, Chris Frick. Asante Scott, Brianna Blount, Ella Anderson, Tim Gipson, Emily Grady, Cameron Helton, Nia Helton, Shari Cox, Jacob Kirven, Justin Hall, Hannah Gipson

Music Program
"Like a Moth to a Flame"
Firebird, Stravinsky

9:15 COLUMBIA CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL MARCHING BAND, Columbia, Tennessee
Directors: Sam Stough, Joe Ahne
Drum Major: Aran Carpio, Kaleb Johnson
Staff: Kaity Adler, Rebecca Rummage, Jason Ogilvie, Nathan Adler, Chloe O'Brien, Jayvon Treadway

Music Program
"Chasing Sunshine"
Impossible Year
Unbroken
Tomorrow

9:30 MCGAVOCK HIGH SCHOOL MARCHING BAND, Nashville, Tennessee
Directors: Chris Mudd, Cole Gregory
Drum Major: Nadia Chambers
Staff: Scott Steward, Jack Warren, Isaac Rizzo, Charlie Condra, Jocelyn Jones, Raistlin Pennell, Jakob Nolan, Georgia Read, Jaimison Williams, Aidan Blevins, Lucas Nolan, Taylor Philips, Rachel Stahel, Sam Knight, Elizabeth Mudd

Music Program
"The Shape of Things"
Inspired by the music of George Gershwin's
Rhapsody in Blue

9:45 MUHLENBERG COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL MARCHING BAND, Greenville, Kentucky
Directors: Joel Watson, Tyler Casey
Drum Major: Aribella Casebier
Staff: Mike Embry, Megan Watson

Music Program
"Inside the Mind: Left vs Right"
Minimalist Dances
Feeling Good
Ayo

10:00 CENTENNIAL HIGH SCHOOL MARCHING COUGARS, Franklin, Tennessee
Directors: Trevor Baxter, Carolina Herrera
Drum Major: Jayden Heath
Staff: Elizabeth Bauer, Amaya Cooper, Christopher DeBerry, Jill Dillehay, Micah Enlow, Ian Hunt, Cameron Terry, Katherine Walker, Austin Wilkes

Music Program
"Bad Moon Rising"
Hungarian Dance No. 5, Johannes Brahms
Moonlight Sonata, Ludwig Van Beethoven
Original music, Jim Reed
Clair De Lune, Claude Debussy
Moondance, Van Morrison
Bad Moon Rising, John Fogerty

10:15 DICKSON COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL MARCHING BAND, Dickson Tennessee

Directors: Michael Nelson, Shane Joyce
Drum Majors: Emily Sican, Suleney Palacios
Staff: Carrie Joyce, Darrell McKee, Beth Moore, Butch Simmons

Music Program
"The Wonder Book - A Waldo Story"
Define Dancing, Newman
Hide and Seek, Imogene Heap
Choreography, Sheldon
I'm Not that Girl, Schwarts
You Will Be Found, Pasek and Paul
Slalom, Pann

~~**10:30 HARPETH BAND OF BLUE, Kingston Springs, Tennessee**~~

Directors: Hayden Upperman, Chris Vaughn
PERFORMANCE CANCELLED

Music Program

10:45 HENDERSONVILLE HIGH SCHOOL BAND OF GOLD, Hendersonville, Tennessee

Directors: Nathan Belcher Sara Koly
Drum Majors: Mady Akin, Alana Jennings
Staff: Tim Koly, Gabby Dauby, Seanna Hayes, Allison Steinquest, Sam Campbell, Bekah Burt, Evan Van Doren, Mitch Rogers, Jacob Turnbow

Music Program
"The Midnight Veil"
Allegretto, from Symphony No. 7, Ludwig van Beethoven
The Sorcerer's Apprentice, Paul Dukas
Danse Macabre, Camille Saint-Saens
Lacrimosa dies illa, Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart
Scythian Suite, Sergei Prokofiev
Night on Bald Mountain, Modest Mussorgsky

11:00 GREENWOOD HIGH SCHOOL BAND, Bowling Green, Kentucky

Directors: Nick Collar, Keegan Finkbine
Drum Majors: JC Gray, Olivia Mills
Staff: Christine Burkeen, Alijah Brock, Ryan Root, Emily Castner, Anna Ward, McKenzie Eversoll, Shelby Wilson, Hera Patrick, Kian Raleigh, Cooper White

Music Program
"Rise of Rome"
Pines of Rome
The Battle
Heart of Rome
Eternal Rome

Intermission

Class AA

11:30 PELHAM HIGH SCHOOL GREEN MACHINE MARCHING BAND, Johnson City, Tennessee

Directors: Justin Ward, Joshua Meyer
Drum Majors: Chris Aguilar, Roxie Simmons, Carissa Bennett, Grace Ann Ferguson
Staff: Katie Gotham, Joel Henson, Neal Flum, Evan Berry, Clara Bagwell, Ariana Crepeau, Mia Holt, Ella Compton, Laura Leigh Holland, Drew Mercer

Music Program
"The Beautiful Game"
The Big Game, Joey Dosik
UEFA Champion's League Legacy Anthem
Dance: Mvt. 1, Oliver Davis
Rise Up, Andra Day
You'll Never Walk Alone, Richard Rogers, Oscar Hammerstein II
Immortal, Paul-Lovatt Cooper

11:45 WHITE HOUSE HIGH SCHOOL BAND, White House, Tennessee

Directors: Zachary Slimp
Drum Majors: Max Labuda, Rhylan Storts, Bella Butler
Staff: Ashton Namynanik, Natalie Martin, Johnea Barnett, Layla Allen, Mariama Jalloh

Music Program
"Lift" featuring music from:
I Lived, OneRepublic
I Could Use a Boost, Kris Bowers
In the Stars, Benson Boone
Fix You, Coldplay

12:00 STATION CAMP HIGH SCHOOL BAND, Gallatin Tennessee

Directors: Adam Clark, Christopher Earl
Drum Majors: Caleb Thompson
Staff: McKenna Asher, Harrison Case, Trace Crabtree, Jaxson Denton, Jake Dorris, Taylor Duke, Ian Ellis, Skylar Etherington, Ethan Legge, Cayce Long, MaryRuth Long, Max Lynch, Keiron Miles, Jordan Miller, James Millis, Nick Nash, Alex Onevathana, Marijka Ray, Owen Workman, Coen Evans, Emily Clark, Elizabeth Evans

Music Program
"Shanti"
Inspired by the music of Ravi Shankar

12:15 MUSCLE SHOALS HIGH SCHOOL TROJAN MARCHING BAND, Muscle Shoals, Alabama

Directors: Jessica Hood, Josh Foust, Daniel Seay
Drum Majors: Caroline Seay, Griffin Kinney, Joshua Tucker
Staff: Jacqueline Crummie, Zoe Tatum, Ansley Henson, Lorin Holt, Griffin Hood, Lucas Hurst

Music Program
"Lean on Me"
Lean on Me, Bill Withers
Parkour, Samuel Hazo
A Crowded Table, The Highwomen

12:30 LEBANON HIGH SCHOOL MARCHING BLUE DEVILS, Lebanon, Tennessee

Directors: Ben Channell
Drum Majors: Aster Finch, Jaxon Cantrell. Laila Welch
Staff: Jaycie LaBrec, Daniel Perez, Kim Lassden, Rebecca Dyal, Olivia Stranahan, Jim Reed, Ryland Parkey, Gunner Mick Bella Roark, Molly Clayton, Sherie Grossman, Cade Lively, Debra Martin, Sarah Harris

Music Program
"ImPulse"
The Canyon, Philip Glass
Tank, from Cowboy Bebop
Arrival of the Birds, Jason Swinscoe
You Should See Me in a Crown, Billie Eilish
Experience, Einaudi

Lunch

1:15 JOHN OVERTON HIGH SCHOOL MARCHING BAND, Nashville, Tennessee

Directors: Charles Kim, Meredith Lee
Drum Majors: Jadon Draughon, Jaylen Frost
Staff: Kyla Bartron, Hayden Schroeder

Music Program
"Black Widow"
Garden of Magic, Disney - James Horner
I Put A Spell On You, Annie Lennox
Back to Black, Amy Winehouse
Black Widow, Iggy Azalea

1:30 MT. JULIET HIGH SCHOOL BAND OF GOLD, Mt. Juliet, Tennessee

Directors: Tony Cox
Drum Major: N/A
Staff: Tim Vaugh, Gilles Ouellette, Michael J. Miller, Sandi Bledsoe, Megan McPherson, Jason Palmer, Evan Hughes, Chaz Bledsoe, Micah Wilson, Sherie Grossman, Dale Sawyer, Scott Tanner, Ian Bracy, Alexis Rodriguez, Bradley Schwartz

Music Program
"Boleros, The Archer!"
Bolero, Recomposed
Bolero

1:45 RIVERDALE HIGH SCHOOL BAND, Murfreesboro, Tennessee

Directors: Michael Aymett, Nicholas Efstathiou
Drum Major: Ka'Vaughn Brown-Cutno, Olivia Parker, Greer Wilson
Staff: Matt Bitting, Jakayla Craig, Noah Friedman, Isaac Ivy, Nathaniel O'Neal, Sky Lisowe, Ella Moore, Titus Taylor, Emily Monroy, Ruthie King

Music Program
"ReNew"
Movement 1, The Before
Movement 2, Confusion and Change
Movement 3, Reconstruction
Movement 4, ReNew

2:00 BRENTWOOD HIGH SCHOOL BAND, Brentwood, Tennessee

Directors: Mondale Rogers, Nicholas Domschke
Drum Majors: Davis Baugh
Staff: David Aydelott, JR Seals, Kyle Ramsay, Kennedy Meadors, Eli Dunn, Aaron Duncan, Devon Ford, Joshua Wingard, Michael Rosson

Music Program
"Iridescence"
Hypnotic Fireflies
Light of a Clear Blue Morning
Morning Alleluias

2:15 OAKLAND HIGH SCHOOL BAND, Murfreesboro, Tennessee

Directors: Ty Jessup, Andrew Oblak
Drum Majors: Neilah Hernandez, Heaven Benjamin, Miguel Aello
Staff: Wyatt Crabill, Ashlyn Huddleston, Kaylee Joslyn, Chelsea Liu, Houston Schoenbachler, Caitlin Spencer, Andrew Scott Tanner, Leo Varanda

Music Program
"Hi-Score"
Pinball Wizard, The Who
Hi-Score, CJ Barrow, Michael Miller, Shane Gwaltney, Kyle Ramsay

Intermission

Class AAA

2:45 JAMES CLEMENS HIGH SCHOOL BAND, Madison, Alabama

Directors: Keith Anderson, Brian Sims
Drum Majors: Nyima Kassamma, Ronan Swenson, Caitlin Lach
Staff: Katie Hazelton, Shelby Treadway, Samantha Fotovich Savannah Williams, Leslie Ku, Stan Gillispie, Joey Udas, Clay Sloan

Music Program
"Leave the Light On"
Angels in the Architecture, Frank Ticheli
Original music, Jeremy Smith

3:00 WILSON CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL BAND, Lebanon, Tennessee

Directors: Stacy Jernigan, Nick Thomas
Drum Major: Myah Amadio, Daniel Lee, Cara Baldwin
Staff: Scottie Simpkins, Kevin Loveland, Bailey Wrenne, Jasmine Cook, Austin Kimble, Paten Shelton, Will Powers, Debbie Burton, Christopher Lester, Keith Heim, Megan Mohnke, Keegan Scott, Amanda Greene, Alice Judy, Maryam Alsudani, Evelyn Bailon, Sam Miller, Alayan Lepore, Evan Clifton, Zachary Sapp

Music Program
"Imagine"

3:15 LAFAYETTE HIGH SCHOOL BAND, Lexington, Kentucky

Directors: Robert Dee Bishop, Chris Strange, Aaron Jones, John Bowmer
Drum Major: Acadia Meyers. Logan Kirk, Hannah Hunt, Anna Bishop
Staff: Amanda Morris, Tyler Terawood, Spencer Yoder, Paul Deatherage, Taylor Rock, Cassie Montgomery, Jaasiel Wilson, Ella Marshall, Morganne Dixey, Ethan Smith, Emily Rosenberg, Luke Nuzzo, Michael Rosales

Music Program
"Fifteen"
Fifteen: *Symphonic Fantasy on the art of Andy Warhol*
Mvt. 1 - Ludwig
Mvt. 2 - Liz's Lament
Mvt. 5 - Passacaglia in Colors

3:30 FRANKLIN HIGH SCHOOL MARCHING BAND, Franklin, Tennessee

Directors: Michael Holland, Nick Blue
Drum Majors: Jane Anderson, Parker Baer, Sam Bryant, Norah Beth Copeland
Staff: Kate Alward, Levi Brandenburg, Aaron Farris, Michael Horvath, Pierre Bougrat, Fin Brown, Robert Eddington, Jason Frazier, Laura Anne Grayson, Olivia Guthier, Hannah Hawryluk, Elisha Loy, Emily Mudra, Thomas Paden, Liam Phillips, Jules Post, Ben Smith, Mason Sowder, Chase Thornhill, Lukas Varden, Seth Wallingford, Eva Webb, Campbell Wootten

Music Program
"Message in a Bottle"
Ayo, Katahj Copley
Wine Dark Sea, John Mackey
Here Comes the Sun, The Beatles, arr. Jacob Collier
It Is Well With My Soul

3:45 SIEGEL HIGH SCHOOL BAND, Murfreesboro, Tennessee

Directors: Katie Reed, Nathan Mohnke
Drum Majors: Lydia Pletincks, Keira Horn
Staff: Kyle Ramsay, Corey Miller, Jonah Sherlin, Brady Welch, Cecil Joh, Jonah Jaisen, Jayvon Treadway Minetta Holmes, Cannon Murphree, Jared Ford, Emma Major, Lucas Johnson, Adison Creasy

Music Program
"The Strings That Bind Us"
Angels in America
Prophetia
Fields of Glory
Bright Shadow Fanfare

4:00 SPIRIT OF THE VALLEY MARCHING BAND, Knoxville, Tennessee

Directors: Alex Rector, Chuck Brock, CJ McCrory
Drum Majors: Kaylen Tabut, Carter Case, Charles Davis, Abi Murrell
Staff: Andrea Byrd, Nathan Brom, Kendall Fisher, Isaac Hair, Sarah Vernetti, Dylan McCurry, Caitie Hurt, Absa Dia, Emma Shiffer, Hugh Reeves, Caleb Reimschisel, Parker Stone, Paige Lequire, Cash Kelley, Sarah Borchardt, Katie Perry, Rylie Simpson, Jessie Quince, Caroline Branch

Music Program
"Waves Upon Waves"
Waves Upon Waves
As You Are But Not As You Were
Us and Them
Misirlou
Good Vibrations

4:15 BUCKHORN HIGH SCHOOL MARCHING BAND, New Market, Alabama

Directors: Jake House, Kristen Daugherty
Drum Major: Hayden Williams, Addison O'Rear, Allyson Brooks
Staff: Leah Farris, Chandler McCoy, Matt Liu, Abby Cersosimo, Zac Tyree, Hollyn Ochilline, Shalanda Locklear, Aubry Smythe

Music Program
"The Rite of Spring"
Rite of Spring

4:30 THE MTSU BAND OF BLUE

4:45 PRELIMINARY AWARDS PRESENTATION

5:00 ANNOUNCEMENT OF FINALISTS

7:00 FINALS

Awards Presentation

Spencer Barnham Jr., Master of Ceremonies

Preliminary Awards

Classification Awards
Superior Awards

Final Awards
Grand Champion, Reserve Grand Champion, Honorable Mention
Governor's cups, Finalists cups, Caption Awards

Awards

GRAND CHAMPION—The winning band will receive a Contest of Champions Coat of Arms mounted on a solid wooden base and a Contest of Champions official flag. Each band member receives a replica patch of the coat of arms. The director(s) of the band will receive a gold medallion in recognition of this outstanding accomplishment.

RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION—The winning band will receive a Contest of Champions trophy. The director(s) will receive a silver medallion in recognition of this outstanding accomplishment.

HONORABLE MENTION—The winning band will receive a Contest of Champions trophy. The director(s) will receive a bronze medallion in recognition of this outstanding accomplishment.

SUPERIOR AWARDS—Bands receiving a composite score of 80.0 and above will be presented an award, symbolic of excellence in marching band performance.

CLASSIFICATION AWARDS—First- and second-place trophies will be presented to the two highest scoring bands in Classes A, AA, and AAA.

TENNESSEE GOVERNOR'S CUP TROPHY—This trophy will be awarded to the highest-scoring Tennessee band for a period of one year. At the next Contest of Champions, the trophy will be presented to the new winner. A permanent plaque also will be presented to the winner as an acknowledgement of this honor.

KENTUCKY GOVERNOR'S CUP TROPHY—This trophy will be awarded to the highest-scoring Kentucky band participating in the Contest of Champions. The trophy becomes the possession of the recipient for a period of one year, at which time the trophy will be presented to the new winner. A permanent plaque will also be presented to the winner of the trophy as an acknowledgment of this honor.

FINALIST TROPHY—The finalist bands will receive a silver-plated cup indicative of their accomplishment.
CAPTION AWARDS—These plaques are given to bands that represent an outstanding performance or behavior in a specific category.