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A Special “Thank You”…

Amy Marie Mertz
Dr. John Coggiola
Area Band Directors
The families of the Allegro and Poco Allegro musicians
Syracuse University Music Education Students
And

The Syracuse University Setnor School of Music
Ann Clarke, Dean, College of Visual and Performing Arts
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Biographies

Professor Justin Jay Mertz is the Assistant Director of Bands and Director of the Syracuse University Marching Band. He is the Assistant Conductor of the Wind Ensemble and co-conductor of the Symphony Band. A native of Massapequa, New York, he has held teaching positions in the Alief Independent School District in Houston, Texas, and the Westmoreland Central School District in Westmoreland, New York. At Westmoreland Middle School, he was named Faculty of the Year in 2004. The Pride of Westmoreland Marching Band finished near the top of its class under his direction. Additionally, he has been a guest conductor and clinician all over New York State, including the Greater Utica Honors Youth Wind Ensemble, Oxford Summer Band Camp and NYSSMA area all-state and all-county festivals. He holds two degrees from Syracuse University.

Terrance E. Caviness Jr., Director of Bands at G. Ray Bodley High School and Adjunct Professor of Music at SUNY Oswego. In addition, he conducts many select groups and clinics throughout the state. He has performed with the Syracuse Symphony Orchestra, Buffalo Philharmonic Orchestra, Utica Symphony, Schenectady Symphony, Erie Philharmonic Orchestra, the Central New York Jazz Orchesta, Central Winds, Merry-Go-Round Playhouse, Syracuse University Theatre, Syracuse Chorale, Marcellus Chorale and played back up to numerous musicians throughout his performing career. He currently performs with the Infiniti Brass Quintet around the local area. Mr. Caviness has performed as featured artist with the Central New York Youth Wind Ensemble, the Baldwinsville High School Band and was soloist for the Northwestern University Contemporary Music Ensemble at New Music Chicago where he premiered the “Voyage of Columbus”. Mr. Caviness is also active as a music advocate. He is founder and co-chair of Artstars, which is a community support group for the arts. He also serves on the board of the Central Winds as treasurer and has served in many capacities on the board of the Oswego County Music Educators, most recently as president. Mr. Caviness holds Music Performance and Education degrees from the State University of New York Fredonia, a Master of Music performance from Northwestern University and a Certificate of Advanced Study in Educational Administration from Syracuse University.

Elizabeth Buell is a music teacher at Onondaga Hill Middle School in the Westhill Central School District in Syracuse, NY. She grew up locally and received her Bachelor's of Music Education from the State of New York at Fredonia in 2000. Her teaching career began at Chittenango Middle School when after a year, Elizabeth began her tenure at Onondaga Hill Middle School teaching beginning band and general music. Upon completion of a Master's of Music Education degree from Ithaca College in 2005, she accepted the position of middle school band and jazz ensemble director at OHMS. Elizabeth is a member of the New York State Band Director's Association (NYSBDA) and served on its board for three years. She recently collaborated with her colleague, Brendan Van Epps on a book titled, The Rhythm Curriculum, created to enhance rhythm reading skills for beginning through middle level music students. She resides in Syracuse with her husband and two young daughters.

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Setnor Auditorium
Sunday, February 7, 2016
Spectral Landscapes.................................................................Sean O’Loughlin

Ancient Voices.................................................................Michael Sweeney

Alligator Alley.................................................................Michael Daugherty

Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory.................................L. Bricusse & A. Newley
                        arr. by Robert Longfield

*Thank you to all the Syracuse University music education students for their time and expertise.
*Thank you to ALL the students that help with set-up and break-down every week!! We greatly appreciate the help!

Poco Allegro Youth Wind Ensemble Personnel