The Nova Scotia Junior Wind Ensemble

Presents

CHASING SUNLIGHT

Conducted by Dr. Denise Grant

FEATURING

The Bay View High Grade 10-12 Band

March 2nd 2025
Bay View High School
1pm

Donations at the door
All proceeds will be shared between NSJWE and
Bay View High School band program

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The Bay View High School Grade 10-12 Band

~under the direction of Mr. Luke Henderson

Shining Moments – *Larry Clark*

The Avengers - Alan Silvestri arr. Johnnie Vinson

Ash Lawn Echos - Robert W. Smith

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Jana's Dance – David Gorham

Red Balloon – *Anne McGinty*

Grace Before Sleep – Susan LaBarr

Chasing Sunlight – Cait Nishimura



Luke Henderson is a music teacher based in Halifax, NS. He currently teaches band, vocal, and general music classes at Bay View High School, in Tantallon, NS. In addition to curricular activities, he also runs an after school band, and acts as music director for Bay View's annual musical theatre production, with past shows including Disney's The Little Mermaid and Legally Blonde: The Musical.

Luke graduated from Acadia University with degrees in both Music and Education, and is currently pursuing a Masters degree in music curriculum studies, also from Acadia. As a conductor, Luke studied with Dr. Mark Hopkins of Acadia University, and was also a conducting apprentice with the Denis Wick Canadian Wind Orchestra in 2021. As a trumpet player, Luke plays in a number of community musical theatre productions, including shows with Quick as a Wink Theatre Society in Windsor NS, Stage Prophets in Wolfville, NS, King's-Edgehill School in Windsor NS, and Northeast Kings Education Centre in Canning, NS.



Dr. Denise Grant has earned respect and praise as a conductor and educator of great musical depth and artistic sensitivity. She has held conducting positions at Memorial University of Newfoundland, University of Toronto, and University of Regina. She earned her Ph.D. (conducting and music education) from the University of Minnesota and also holds degrees from Dalhousie University (M.Ed.) and Acadia University (B.Mus.Ed.). During her tenure, she founded the University of Toronto and University of Regina conducting symposiums, served as co-founding editor of the Canadian Band Association

journal, *Canadian Winds*, and premiered many new works for wind ensemble. She advocates for the creation and performance of new music by Canadian and women composers, in particular. She recently premiered composer Sandy Moore's song cycle, *Vox Humana*, at the Open Waters new music festival in Halifax and recorded the soundtrack for John Walker's award-winning documentary film, *Arctic Defenders*. As an educator, Denise has served on music association boards across Canada and guest conducted provincial honour bands both nationally and internationally, reflecting a commitment to music education and the deep seated belief that the act of making music together creates connection and develops compassionate, critically thinking humans.

Thank you to our clinicians for their guidance this weekend:

Flute: Leslie Smith Trumpet: Luke Henderson

Clarinet: Anneka Dunnewold Trombone: Steve Hartlen

Saxophones: Abby Nichols Low Brass: Dylan Rutledge

French Horn: Eddie Barrett Percussion: Dave Burtt

NSJWE Musicians

Clarinet	Alto Saxophone	French Horn	<u>Tuba</u>
Eva Ahmadi	William Burgess	David Bannerman	Phoebe Hawboldt
Lilly Bylund-Muir	Elliot Gillis	Jehanne Coutty	Stephan Olivier
Micah Carrington	David Hayford	Molly Hines	Lyle Pearse
Olivia Cooper	Easton MacPherson	Eric Robinson	
Adam Ge	Eason Yuan	Cabrini Sponagle	Percussion
Nathaniel Gillis			Mathais Aladejebi
James Leightizer	Bari Saxophone	<u>Trombone</u>	Eddie Doyle
Adley Middleton Meakin	Eric Saweczko	Anna Goldstein	Makaio Edwards
Evita Pease		Phoenix Graham	Chaz Fraser
Lyan Petersen	Trumpet	Ben Teakles	Lianna Hill
Micah Pottle	Ethan Gillis		Connor Kloucek
Maci Riemersma	Josh Langille	<u>Euphonium</u>	Ayla MacKinnon
Sofi Veniott	Sydney McKinley	Stuart Huskins	Nicholas Ryan
	Emma Murimboh		Laasya Vanka
Bass Clarinet	Jack Ramsay		Aiden Vaughn
Lilly Landry	Gabriel Rempel		
Manny Togni	Rhian Williams		
	Eva Ahmadi Lilly Bylund-Muir Micah Carrington Olivia Cooper Adam Ge Nathaniel Gillis James Leightizer Adley Middleton Meakin Evita Pease Lyan Petersen Micah Pottle Maci Riemersma Sofi Veniott Bass Clarinet Lilly Landry	Eva Ahmadi William Burgess Lilly Bylund-Muir Elliot Gillis Micah Carrington David Hayford Olivia Cooper Easton MacPherson Adam Ge Eason Yuan Nathaniel Gillis James Leightizer Bari Saxophone Adley Middleton Meakin Eric Saweczko Evita Pease Lyan Petersen Trumpet Micah Pottle Ethan Gillis Maci Riemersma Josh Langille Sofi Veniott Sydney McKinley Emma Murimboh Bass Clarinet Lilly Landry Gabriel Rempel	Eva Ahmadi William Burgess David Bannerman Lilly Bylund-Muir Elliot Gillis Jehanne Coutty Micah Carrington David Hayford Molly Hines Olivia Cooper Easton MacPherson Eric Robinson Adam Ge Eason Yuan Cabrini Sponagle Nathaniel Gillis James Leightizer Bari Saxophone Trombone Adley Middleton Meakin Eric Saweczko Anna Goldstein Evita Pease Phoenix Graham Lyan Petersen Trumpet Ben Teakles Micah Pottle Ethan Gillis Maci Riemersma Josh Langille Euphonium Sofi Veniott Sydney McKinley Stuart Huskins Emma Murimboh Bass Clarinet Jack Ramsay Lilly Landry Gabriel Rempel

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We'd like to extend a heartfelt thank you to all the parents and guardians for encouraging your amazing musicians to be a part of our ensemble this year, and to our wonderful parent volunteers for helping in many ways this weekend!

If you are interested in becoming involved with the NSJWE board, please contact admin@nsjwe.ca

Thank you to The Bay View High School Music Program, its director Luke Henderson, & the BVHS administration and custodial staff for hosting and supporting us this weekend.

Special thanks to The Bay View High School Grade 10-12 Band for joining us in concert this weekend.

A huge thank you to Dr. Denise Grant for taking us on this incredible musical journey!

We can't thank you enough!

Other great opportunities to check out are

Nova Scotia Youth Wind Ensemble (www.nsywe.com) and

The Nova Scotia Honour Jazz (www.nshonourjazz.ca)

