



*Orchid City Brass Band*  
GARY GREEN | MUSICAL DIRECTOR

# A SALUTE TO VETERANS

*a celebration of those who served*

SUNDAY ★ 11.13.22 ★ 4.PM

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What did you think of the performance this afternoon?

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*a note from the chair*

AFTER A LONG SUMMER BREAK, the ORCHID CITY BRASS BAND is

back for our 2022-23 season! We are excited you have chosen to spend an afternoon with us as we present for you a special Veterans Day concert! Our performance is a celebration of those who have honorably served our nation—in wartime or peacetime.

We have chosen a selection of patriotic music that includes fan favorites as well as a few unique pieces we are sure you will enjoy. There will be something for everyone, from patriotic hymns and marches to selections from the classical Americana repertoire. All of them evoke the emotions and imagery of that singular virtue embodied by our veterans: HONOR. The courage to do the right thing – the difficult thing – even in the face of hardship or danger.

This afternoon I am also thrilled to announce our new Musical Director, Gary Green. As the director of bands at the University of Miami Frost School of Music for 22 years, Gary is universally recognized for elevating the program to its current international status. More than his

ongoing investment in music and musicians, however, is his commitment to fine art, to great joy, and to life. It is a distinct honor to have a Bands of America Hall of Fame member directing our ensemble. Please join us in welcoming Gary to the first performance in which he raises his baton as the full-time musical director of the ORCHID CITY BRASS BAND.

Finally, a note of sincere appreciation to our gracious hosts and program sponsors—the JupiterFIRST pastors, people, and staff. What a beautiful setting to present our Salute to America's Veterans—and the inaugural concert of our new season. We hope to join you here again soon!

We encourage you to join the ORCHID CITY BRASS BAND at one (or all!) of our future concerts. But this afternoon is now ours to enjoy 90 minutes of soul-stirring music, wonderful memories with friends, and—most importantly—gratitude for all who responded to the call to serve!

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jim Estes". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

**Jim Estes**  
President & CEO  
ORCHID CITY BRASS BAND

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### *a look at the musicians*

AS BOTH A SOLOIST and a principal trumpeter and cornetist, Pamela Smitter has captivated audiences around the world with her powerful yet soulful artistry. Performing with profound expression and a rare blend of compelling and nuanced musical styles, she is highly regarded for her musical orchestral leadership and teaching skills.

For almost three decades, Dr. Smitter served as the principal trumpet with the West Michigan Symphony Orchestra and a member of the Kalamazoo Symphony Orchestra. In addition to her role as principal solo cornet with the ORCHID CITY BRASS BAND, she also currently performs with the Miami Symphony Orchestra.



**Dr. Pamela Smitter**  
PRINCIPAL SOLO CORNET

Pamela has performed internationally in the *HornPipes! Duo* and released an album, *HARK!*, with this ensemble in 2010. Previously, she was the principal trumpet *solista* in the Orquesta Sinfónica de Maracaibo, and subsequently, with the Orquesta Sinfónica de Venezuela and the Sinfonietta de Caracas.

Dr. Smitter completed her Doctor of Musical Arts degree at Michigan State University in December, 2020. She received her Master of Music degree in Trumpet Performance from the University of Michigan studying under Armando Ghitalla. As Adjunct Professor of Music, she served on Purdue University-Fort Wayne's brass faculty and held similar positions at Grand Valley State University, Hope College, and Alma College (in Michigan). She served as Lead Musician for the *Carnegie Hall LinkUP!* orchestra educational program from 2004-2012, coaching more than 100 participating teachers and colleagues as *musician-mentor*.

Dr. Smitter has performed with the Gaudete Brass Quintet, performed and conducted the Michigan State University Graduate Brass Quintet, and been a frequent soloist at the annual White Lake Chamber Music Festival. She has served as adjudicator for the Sphinx Orchestral Partners Association (SOPA) Excerpt Competition and the National Youth Orchestra of the United States of America (NYO-USA).

Dr. Smitter greets every opportunity with exceptional purpose, extraordinary spirit, and a zest for unparalleled success.

*Tonight's program***A SALUTE TO VETERANS**

Sunday, November 13, 2022 | 4:00 PM

Gary Green, CONDUCTOR

**FRANCIS SCOTT KEY**      The Star-Spangled Banner (1814)  
Music by John Stafford Smith

**PAUL LOVATT-COOPER**      Where Eagles Sing (2006)  
**Traditional**      Shenandoah  
arr. Stephen Bulla  
COLE PASCH, *Euphonium*  
FRANK RAIMONDI, *Flugelhorn*

**JOHN WILLIAMS**      Midway March (1979)  
arr. Philip Harper

**STEPHEN BULLA**      Images for Brass (2001)  
I. Prologue  
II. Approach by Sea  
III. Chorale Prayer  
IV. Engagement

**INTERMISSION**

**AARON COPLAND**      Lincoln Portrait (1942)  
arr. Rick Larch  
MICHAEL McMULLEN, *Narrator*

**JULIA WARD HOWE**      Battle Hymn of the Republic (1862)  
Music by William Steffe      arr. Peter Wilhousky  
trans. Michael O'Connor  
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**STEPHEN BULLA**      Armed Forces Salute (2013)

**KATHARINE LEE BATES**      America the Beautiful (1893)  
Music by Samuel A. Ward      Arr. Carmen Dragon  
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# *Tonight's players*

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**MUSICAL DIRECTOR &  
CONDUCTOR**

Gary Green

**MASTER OF CEREMONIES &  
NARRATOR**

Michael McMullen

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**SOPRANO CORNET**

Randy Sonntag

**SOLO CORNETS**

Pamela Smitter

*Principal*

James Estes

*Associate Principal*

Nick Patsis

Trudy Cavallo

**REPIANO CORNET**

William Castillo

**SECOND CORNETS**

Tony Aversano

Dwight Banks

**THIRD CORNETS**

Bryan Anderson

Larry Malin

Nate Fong

**FLUGEL HORN**

Frank Raimondi

**TENOR HORNS**

Jenn Girdlestone

*Principal*

Brandon Ehrlich

Buddy Robson

**BARITONES**

Michael O'Connor

*Principal*

Manny Comacho

**TROMBONES**

Ben Kon

*Acting Principal*

Patrick Hengstler

Sherwood Graham

**BASS TROMBONE**

Wesley Thompson

**EUPHONIUMS**

Cole Pasch

*Acting Principal*

Tyler Nunziato

**BASSES**

Max McMillan

*Principal*

Ken Moorehead

Michael Cunion

Franklin Ticas Castellon

**PERCUSSION**

Ryan Ross

*Principal*

Nikola Gjorcevski

Emily Moorehead

# *a view from the podium*



OUR VETERANS DAY CONCERT marks my first as the musical director and conductor of the ORCHID CITY BRASS

BAND. I am pleased and honored to be on stage with the talented and dedicated members of this musical ensemble.

During the years of my youth I had many opportunities to learn about music, and to learn about life and the importance of learning valuable lessons which would serve me well later in life. One such opportunity was serving in the United States Air Force during the Vietnam Conflict. My personal convictions were forged by the many lessons learned while serving our country during that difficult era.

Therefore, to me, this Veteran's Day concert represents an occasion to revisit and reinforce the importance of our country's most fundamental values and the supreme importance of our democracy.

It is our hope that you will celebrate those values and find a special place of remembrance for those that gave their all for our continuing freedom. The members

of the ORCHID CITY BRASS BAND offer you our version of that celebration and remembrance with our musical contributions this evening.

While all of the selections for this evening's concert will provide unique musical insight into American patriotism, I believe there is special significance to the music of Aaron Copland's composition: **Lincoln Portrait**. The narration used in this masterpiece of orchestration with human voice are taken directly from the speeches and correspondence of one American who served with honor during a time of national difficulty: Our 16<sup>th</sup> president. The words you will hear tonight include the following:

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*That from these honored dead we take increased devotion to that cause for which they gave the last full measure of devotion: That we here highly resolve that these dead shall not have died in vain... .*

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We are eager to bring our 2022 version of this Patriotic Concert to you this evening and to share with you the unique reality – and privilege – of being an American!

**Gary Green**  
Musical Director & Conductor  
ORCHID CITY BRASS BAND



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Our  
Veterans

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