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FIFTEENTH ANNUAL  
EASTERN DISTRICT  
SENIOR FESTIVAL

HOSTED BY  
MILTON HIGH SCHOOL  
MILTON, MA

JANUARY 6, 2024  
1:30PM CONCERT BAND AND ORCHESTRA  
3:00PM JAZZ BAND AND CHORUS

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Thank you to Rebecca Damiani, Julia Hanna, Colleen Martin, Julia Khaw-Sullivan, Dawn Sykes, Karen Hughes, and the students of Boston University, Berklee, the Longy School and Milton High School for their help in the auditions.

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## **Boston Arts Academy**

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## **Boston College High School**

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## **Boston Latin School**

Margaret McKenna  
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## **Brookline HS**

Michael Driscoll  
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Elliot Cless  
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Joel Sindelar

## **Cambridge Rindge & Latin**

Will Houchin  
Nathan Powers  
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Ivan Stefanov

## **Cambridge School of Weston**

Michael Weinstein

## **Chapel Hill-Chauncy Hall School**

Elana Epstein

## **Chen Home School**

Peggy Chen

## **Commonwealth School**

David Hodgkins

## **Concord Academy**

Andra Dix  
Michael Bennett  
Chris Gagne

## **Concord-Carlisle Regional HS**

Christopher Noce  
Sarah Grina

## **Dover-Sherborn Reg. HS**

Janice Barry  
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Kelly Hodge  
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Ethan Lobenstine

## **Gann Academy**

Aaron Kula

## **John D. O'Bryant School of Mathematics and Science**

Yolanda Knight

## **Juhasz Home School**

Sharon Juhasz

## **Lincoln-Sudbury Regional HS**

Thomas Grandprey  
Michael Bunting  
Kyung-Nam Oh

## **Medfield HS**

Jason Bielik  
Ann Marie Tremblay  
Brenna Evans

## **Meridian Academy**

Laura Jaye

## **Middlesex School**

Pierson Wetzel

## **Millis HS**

Janice Norton  
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## **Milton Academy**

Eric Goode  
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## **Milton HS**

Rebecca Damiani  
Julia Hanna  
Julia Khaw-Sullivan

## **Montrose School**

Abigail Rios  
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## **Natick HS**

Craig Chisholm  
Kate Burns  
Scott Morrill

## **Needham HS**

LeeAnn Sutton  
Spencer Parrish  
Jonathan VanderWoude  
Catiana Rosario-Bichalo

## **Newton North HS**

Todd Young  
Adam Grossman  
Richard Labedz  
Sheldon Reid

## **Newton South HS**

Lisa Linde  
Benjamin Youngman

## **Noble and Greenough School**

Michael Turner  
Antonio Berdugo  
Paul Lieberman  
Nhung Truong

## **North Quincy HS**

Michael DeMarco  
Timothy Carew  
Matthew Cavanaugh  
Joanna Compitiello

## **Quincy High School**

Michael DeMarco  
Timothy Carew  
Matthew Cavanaugh  
Joanna Compitiello

## **Reed Home School**

Natalie Reed

## **Rivers School**

Dan Shaud  
Phillippe Crettien

## **Roxbury Latin School**

Rob Opdycke

## **Somerville HS**

Rosemary Sears  
Andrew Blickensderfer  
Maxwell Evrard  
Phillip Grannan  
Beverly Mosby  
Timothy Moyer

## **The Winsor School**

Felicia Brady-Lopez  
Julia Connor

## **Waltham HS**

Blake Siskavich  
Alyssa Cincotta  
Yankl Garcia

## **Watertown HS**

Dan Wulf  
Macullen Byham  
Spencer Klein  
Maxwell Thew

## **Wayland HS**

Susan Memoli  
Rachel Carroll  
Joseph Oneschuk, Jr.

## **Wellesley HS**

Michael LaCava  
Kevin McDonald  
Steve Scott  
Sergey Khanukaev

## **Westford Academy**

Karen St. George  
Adam Shekleton

## **Weston HS**

Christopher Memoli  
Claire Nalven  
Jonathan Eldridge

## **Westwood HS**

Heather Cote  
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Acton, Bedford, Boston,  
Boxborough, Brookline,  
Cambridge, Carlisle,  
Concord, Dedham, Dover,  
Framingham, Lincoln,  
Littleton, Medfield, Millis,  
Milton, Natick, Needham,  
Newton, Quincy,  
Sherborn, Somerville,  
Sudbury, Waltham,  
Watertown, Wayland,  
Wellesley, Westford,  
Weston, and Westwood**

# CONDUCTORS AND PROGRAMS

## EASTERN DISTRICT SENIOR CONCERT BAND

**James Minnix, Conductor**



James Minnix is Director of Bands and Professor of Music Education at Central Connecticut State University. He is a DMA Candidate in Instrumental Conducting at The Hartt School Conservatory within the University of Hartford. From 2020-2023, James taught at Hartt as an Adjunct Professor in the Departments of Music Education and Music Theory. He earned his Master's Degree in Wind Conducting from The University of Massachusetts, Amherst in 2020, where he worked closely with both the Concert Band and Athletic Band programs. Before attending graduate school, James was a Director of Bands, teaching both middle school and high school programs in Richmond, VA.

James earned his bachelor's degree in Music Education from James Madison University in Harrisonburg, VA. He is grateful to his teachers

and mentors from Carlisle and Chambersburg High Schools in Pennsylvania where he discovered his love for music. James lives in Simsbury, Connecticut with his wife Sara, and their two fur children Parker and Grace.

## PROGRAM

Mother of a Revolution  
Melodious Thunk  
Apollo Unleashed  
Sheltering Sky

Omar Thomas  
David Beidenbender  
Frank Ticheli  
John Mackey

**Concert Band Manager: Claire Nalven, Weston Public Schools**  
**Concert Band Assistant Manager: Ray Fallon, Boston Public Schools**

# EASTERN DISTRICT SENIOR CONCERT BAND

\* indicates section leader

## Piccolo

Chelsea Yan, The Rivers School

## Flute

Remy Kim\*, The Winsor School  
Sherry Zhang, Newton North HS  
Sue Hayashi, Middlesex School  
Shamina Abdullah, Wellesley High School  
Emily Gu, Wellesley High School  
Jacob Shin, Concord-Carlisle Regional HS  
Emma Li, Wayland High School  
Erin Kim, Acton-Boxborough Regional HS  
Michelle Sun, Acton-Boxborough Regional HS  
Rose Callanan\*, Weston High School  
Jessie Wang, Boston Latin School  
Chen Ye, Concord Academy  
Sofia Hughes, Concord-Carlisle Regional HS  
Alvin Nikolla, North Quincy High School  
Maria Huang, Lincoln-Sudbury Regional HS  
Rachel Liu, Wellesley High School  
Inkyoung Lee, Natick High School

## Oboe

Ezra Reed\*, Reed Home School  
Ziyao Ma, Concord-Carlisle Regional HS  
Jane Kungie, Boston Latin School  
Alicia Wen, Rivers School  
Avinav Cariens\*, Concord Academy  
Alice Lin, Noble and Greenough School  
Andrew Ho, Rivers School  
Melanie Lempitski, Natick High School

## Bassoon

Ellie Stevens\*, Natick High School  
Haley Medley, Milton Academy  
Justin Zhao, North Quincy High School  
Audrey Wang\*, Rivers School  
Nearah Sanon, Boston Arts Academy  
Searcy Kilgallen, Weston High School  
Chelsea Yan, The Rivers School

## Flute

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Justin Zhao, North Quincy High School  
Audrey Wang\*, Rivers School  
Nearah Sanon, Boston Arts Academy  
Searcy Kilgallen, Weston High School

## Bb Clarinet

Chris Lin\*, Wellesley High School  
Charles Liu, Natick High School  
Claire Jennings, Concord-Carlisle Regional HS  
Becky Lee, Noble and Greenough School  
Silas Schenker, Newton South HS  
Lisa Wang, Weston High School  
Joshua Van Dam, Needham High School  
Alec Wei, Concord-Carlisle Regional HS  
Emily Han, Newton South HS  
April Tang, Concord-Carlisle Regional HS  
Amelia DeHoff\*, Medfield High School  
Leila Mostaghimi, Newton South HS  
Ayush Kumar, Wayland High School  
David Soong, Natick High School  
Michelle Cai, Middlesex School  
Connor McClennen, Wellesley High School  
Ben Ranalli, Acton-Boxborough Regional HS  
Gabriel McCauley, Concord-Carlisle Regional HS  
Sophia Egozy, Brookline High School  
Kevin Han\*, Weston High School  
Chris Chen, Chen Home School  
Helen Yee, Westford Academy  
Anthony Lee, Brookline High School  
Peter Juhasz, Juhasz Home School  
Aman Kumar, Wayland High School  
Eric Shao, Buckingham Browne & Nichols  
Jonathan Ferraro, Westwood High School  
Melissa Yang, Westwood High School

## Bass Clarinet

Sam Hendrickson\*, Newton North HS  
John McCurley, Wellesley High School  
Quincy Adams, Concord Academy  
Carson Enes, Concord-Carlisle Regional HS  
Jacob Peters, Rivers School

## Alto Saxophone

Abby Cartisser\*, Medfield High School  
Aidan Huang, Wayland High School  
Kyoya Kobayashi, Brookline High School  
Alexander Heineman, Framingham HS  
Tian Yu\*, Milton Academy  
Oscar Li, Acton-Boxborough Regional HS  
Joshua Proctor, Wayland High School  
Neelaksh Harnwal, Acton-Boxborough Regional HS

## Tenor Saxophone

Conor Tsang\*, Westwood High School  
Andrew Cui, Weston High School  
Jason Guo, Westwood High School  
Divya Rajan, Weston High School

## Baritone Saxophone

James Bramley\*, Concord-Carlisle Regional HS  
Teagan Cunningham, Natick High School  
Austin Marill, Weston High School  
Tyler Zhang, Westford Academy

## Trumpet

Anthony Babu\*, Concord-Carlisle Regional HS  
Alex Hua, Acton-Boxborough Regional HS  
Jaedon Ballou, Cambridge Rindge & Latin  
Steven Landsittel, Wayland High School  
Oscar Cortis, Wellesley High School  
Max Curtis\*, Natick High School  
Tobin Schenker, Newton South HS  
Grayson Lee, Roxbury Latin School  
Lucy Chene, Natick High School  
Emily Bohlin, Milton High School  
Jackson Dickie\*, Weston High School  
Michael Atkin, Natick High School  
Anders Eshelman, North Quincy High School  
Oscar Lewis, Acton-Boxborough Regional HS  
Will Roy, Needham High School

## French Horn

Owen Veith\*, Quincy High School  
Benjamin Leeman, Needham High School  
Jonathan Choi, Cambridge Rindge & Latin  
Briar Sutherland-Dufour\*, Weston High School  
Zachary Weiskopf, Needham High School  
Corbin Seidel\*, Needham High School  
Ethan Tai-Lugo, Dover-Sherborn Reg. High School  
Florian Zoll, Milton High School  
Sophie Berk\*, Gann Academy  
Ev Bartley, Acton-Boxborough Regional HS  
Angie Feng, Noble and Greenough School

## Trombone

Theodore Collins\*, Concord-Carlisle Regional HS  
Erik Broberg, Natick High School  
John McGonegal, Wayland High School  
William Kilgallen, Weston High School  
Rohin Piniseti\*, Noble and Greenough School  
Justin Gao, Boston Latin School  
Dhanvi Kalimireddy, Acton-Boxborough Regional HS  
William Haines, Acton-Boxborough Regional HS  
Mariana Cadavid, Concord-Carlisle Regional HS

## Bass Trombone

Christian Haymon\*, John D. O'Bryant School of Mathematics and Science  
Darian Cosic, Concord-Carlisle Regional HS  
Adam Lange, Wayland High School

## Euphonium

Siyang Ding\*, Weston High School  
Amrit Hari Madhav, Noble and Greenough School  
Ethan Kuang, Acton-Boxborough Regional HS  
Cooper Bentley, Acton-Boxborough Regional HS  
Warren Hansel, Concord-Carlisle Regional HS

## Tuba

Charlotte McDonough\*, Wellesley High School  
Alex Abakah, Acton-Boxborough Regional HS  
Victor Kabaev, Acton-Boxborough Regional HS  
Isaiah Mwebeiha, Weston High School

## String Bass

Alec Morriss, Chapel Hill-Chauncy Hall School

## Timpani

Denali Enzmann, Weston High School

## Mallets

Colin Duggan\*, Weston High School  
Courtney Kalkstein, Concord-Carlisle Regional HS  
Andy Yu, Boston Latin School

## Snare Drum

John Goddard\*, Boston College High School  
Niklas Ang, Westford Academy

## Drum Set

Jack Calverley, Wayland High School



## **EASTERN DISTRICT SENIOR ORCHESTRA**

### **Luis Manuel Sanchez Rivasi, Conductor**



Luis Manuel Sánchez Rivas has been the Principal Conductor for the Symphonic Band of the UNAM Faculty of Music since 2008, and in February 2023 he was appointed as the Principal Conductor of the Chamber Orchestra of Fine Arts. Prior to his current appointments, Sánchez served as the Principal Conductor of the Wind Symphony of the Federal Police from 2007 to 2015, and as the Principal Conductor of the Mexico City Typical Orchestra from 2017 to 2020. Between 2019 and 2023, he held the position of Assistant Musical Conductor at the National Opera Company. In 2019, he secured first place in the prestigious Conducting Competition organized by Bilbao Musiká in Spain, and during the same year, he received a Latin Grammy nomination for his role as a conductor with the FaM UNAM Symphonic Band on the album Vereda Tropical.

In addition to his conducting appointments, Sánchez has guest conducted many distinguished ensembles and orchestras, such as the Mexican Fine Arts Opera, the Mexican National Dance Company, the UNAM Philharmonic Orchestra, the Mexico State Symphony Orchestra, the Mexico City Philharmonic Orchestra, the University of Guanajuato Symphony Orchestra, the Mexiquense Philharmonic Orchestra, the Youth Orchestra Eduardo Mata University, the Sinaloa Symphony Orchestra of the Arts, the Puebla Symphony Orchestra, the Aguascalientes Symphony Orchestra, the Fine Arts Theater Choir, the Fine Arts Madrigalists Choir, the INBA Ensemble Soloists, the Traditional Choir of the Diaspora in Greece, the Symphonic Band National of Costa Rica, the Integrated Symphonic Band of the Americas in Colombia, the Northern Arizona University Wind Symphony and the Dartmouth College Wind Ensemble in the United States, as well as the Las Palmas de Gran Canaria Symphonic Band and the Bilbao Municipal Symphonic Band in Spain.

Sánchez studied as a tuba player under the tutelage of Dwight Sullinger and graduated with honors from the Faculty of Music at UNAM. His studies were conducted under the guidance of Ismael Campos, complemented by advanced courses in Mexico, the United States and Spain, with esteemed mentors including Ronald Zollman, Enrique Bátiz, José Vilaplana, Robert Meunier, Franco Cesarini and Fernando Lozano.

## **PROGRAM**

Danzon No. 2

'Finale' from Symphony No. 4

Arturo Marquez

Piotr Ilytch Tschaikowsky

**Orchestra Manager: Julia Khaw-Sullivan, Milton Public Schools**  
**Orchestra Assistant Manager: Zach Sawyer, Westford Public Schools**

# EASTERN DISTRICT SENIOR ORCHESTRA

## Violin I

Kelly Yin, The Winsor School  
Christopher Kim, Rivers School  
Abigail Shin, Newton South HS  
Kaitlyn Shi, Noble and Greenough School  
Alex Ning, Milton Academy  
Amelia Margetts, Westford Academy  
Ailin Sha, Boston Latin School  
Joelle Chang, Rivers School  
Stephanie Pavkovic, Westford Academy  
William Xing, Noble and Greenough School  
Ronni Chang, Brookline High School  
Alexander Loo, Newton South HS  
Eric Zhang, Wayland High School  
Eric Liang, Dover-Sherborn Reg. High School  
Anna Li, Acton-Boxborough Regional HS  
Jacey Li, Commonwealth School  
Teddy Fortuin, Roxbury Latin School  
Gavin Armstrong, Waltham High School  
Joseph Manna, Newton South HS  
Alison Zhu, Wayland High School  
Eric Liu, Wayland High School  
Justina Wang, Brookline High School  
Rob Hargrove, Rivers School  
Arav Santhanam, Noble and Greenough School  
Max Zhuang, Wayland High School

## Violin II

Noa Suk, Brookline High School  
Iris Tian, Boston Latin School  
Josie Kelleher, Noble and Greenough School  
Angelina Fang, The Winsor School  
Isabella Lai, The Winsor School  
Anthony Yang, Westwood High School  
Aurik Mah, Weston High School  
Bill Chen, Boston Latin School  
William Su, Newton North HS  
Lauren Kim, Noble and Greenough School  
Ian Huang, Lincoln-Sudbury Regional HS  
Sophia Hoffmann, Dover-Sherborn Reg. HS  
Emma Ditmars, Westford Academy  
Stephen Wu, Dover-Sherborn Reg. HS  
Michelle Wang, Weston High School  
Ayelet Abramowitz, Meridian Academy  
Margaret Liu, Weston High School  
Sophie Hong, Concord-Carlisle Regional HS  
Rachel Lei, Wayland High School  
Abigail Kirincich, Concord-Carlisle Regional HS  
Jason Liu, Rivers School  
Allison Luo, Middlesex School  
Brian Li, Commonwealth School  
Nileya Liu, Bedford High School

## Viola

Kevin Jia, Wayland High School  
Joshua Nuspl, Wayland High School  
Tomi Duintjer Tebbens Nishioka, Commonwealth School  
Jeffrey Mao, Wayland High School  
Jessica Shen, Weston High School  
Henry Goldstein, Rivers School  
Luke Pyhtila, Wayland High School  
Kento Lind, Boston Latin School  
Olivia Hong, Newton South HS  
Samuel Rosenbaum, Lincoln-Sudbury Regional HS  
Adam Chao, Bedford High School  
Dorothy Lee, Lincoln-Sudbury Regional HS  
Hannah Lim, Newton South HS  
Robert Grady Flinn, Concord-Carlisle Regional HS  
Felix Hentschel, Commonwealth School  
Brianna Yang, Brookline High School  
Yifan Ding, Boston Latin School  
Preston Mo, Acton-Boxborough Regional HS  
Casey Chiang, Roxbury Latin School  
Fedor Myshkin, Milton High School

## Cello

Andrew Kim, Weston High School  
Eric Wei, Weston High School  
Elliot Xu, Wayland High School  
Daye Kang, Brookline High School  
Asia Foland, Wellesley High School  
Lorenzo Ye, Boston Latin School  
Mia Kuo, Westford Academy  
Steven Hu, Newton South HS  
Kirsten Choi, Weston High School  
Caleb Graupera, Weston High School

## Cello continued

Alexander Lu, Wayland High School  
Ciaran Murphy, Wayland High School  
Andrew Xia, Lincoln-Sudbury Regional HS  
Yuqian "Ella" Luo, The Winsor School  
Ryan Prentice, Wellesley High School  
Calvin Patti, Cambridge Rindge & Latin  
Joy Han, Weston High School  
Henry Monroe, Concord Academy  
Haven Carter, Cambridge Rindge & Latin  
Ellie Wilkins, Weston High School

## String Bass

Yuan Zhuang, Lincoln-Sudbury Regional HS  
Soley Toussaint, The Winsor School  
Raymond Chan, Concord-Carlisle Regional HS  
Carsen Valenta, Weston High School  
Meeka Toure, Buckingham Browne & Nichols  
Max Ding, Weston High School  
Julien Roberson, Cambridge School of Weston  
Madelena Kozol, Boston Arts Academy  
Sebastian Gracia, Wayland High School  
Luca Vezza, Weston High School

## Harp

Sofia Graupera, Weston High School

## Piano

Kai Deshima, Somerville High School

## Piccolo

Chloe Zhong, Weston High School

## Flute

Megan Huang, Cambridge Rindge & Latin  
Giulia Vitolo, The Winsor School  
Sarah Zhang, Weston High School

## Oboe

Shirley Yang, The Winsor School  
Gavin Datta, Acton-Boxborough Regional HS  
Jay Zhu, Weston High School  
Giovanni Sanchez Deleon, Boston Arts Academy

## Bassoon

Dhiren Sivapala, Wellesley High School  
Andrew Lay, Boston Latin School  
Joseph Juhasz, Juhasz Home School  
Fanny Yang, North Quincy High School

## Clarinet

Deepak Viswalingam, Westwood High School  
Sam Ma, Dover-Sherborn Reg. High School  
Luke Wang, Westford Academy  
Brandon Li, Concord-Carlisle Regional HS

## Trumpet

Rex Li, Weston High School  
William Connolly, Weston High School  
Benjamin Lyczkowski, Concord-Carlisle Regional HS  
August Lee-Kovach, Concord-Carlisle Regional HS

## French Horn

Noah Stefancik, Wayland High School  
Ryan Carignan, Natick High School  
Joanna Lin, Boston Latin School  
Erik Hellgren, Wellesley High School  
Benjamin Sawatdiphong, Natick High School

## Trombone

Henry Allen, Brookline High School  
Ranai Shah, Concord-Carlisle Regional HS

## Bass Trombone

Ezequiel Sanchez Deleon, Boston Arts Academy

## Tuba

Jacob Zeng, Weston High School

## Percussion

Nate Brown, Milton High School  
Jacob Liu, Weston High School  
Elise Dupont, Wellesley High School

## Timpani

August Kim, Wellesley High School

## EASTERN DISTRICT SENIOR JAZZ BAND

### Colleen Clark, Conductor



Founder and Artistic Director of the University of South Carolina's Jazz Girls Day, Dr. Colleen Clark is an Assistant Professor of Jazz at the University of South Carolina where she teaches her drumset studio, jazz history and research courses, coordinates and coaches small ensembles, and conducts Swing Shift Big Band.

Clark can be heard playing on Michael Dease's "The Other Shoe: The Music of Gregg Hill" (Origin), Allegra Levy's "Lose My Number: The Music of John McNeil" (SteepleChase), and upcoming releases by Michael Dease and Matt White. Clark was

invited by the ASCAP Foundation to lead her band, the Colleen Clark Collective, at the Kennedy Center. Her latest project, "CC + The Adelitas" performed to a packed house at the 2023 Jazz Education Network Conference and will be recording their debut album with 2x GRAMMY Award winning drummer and producer, Quentin E. Baxter serving as co-producer.

Clark is author of the frequently accessed (3,000+) dissertation: "The Evolution of the Ride Cymbal Pattern from 1917 to 1941: An Historical and Critical Analysis." Dr. Clark is the only woman and drummer to earn a doctoral degree in jazz from the University of North Texas. Clark endorses: Zildjian, Vic Firth, REMO and Mono.

## PROGRAM

Shiny Stockings  
Jack the Bear  
Scrapple from the Apple  
Nostalgia in Times Square

Count Basie  
Duke Ellington  
Charlie Parker, arr. Bert Ligon  
Charlies Mingus

Jazz Band Manager: Eric Ritter, Newton Public Schools  
Jazz Band Assistant Manager: Ana Sangermano, Newton Public Schools



# **EASTERN DISTRICT SENIOR JAZZ BAND**

## **Alto Sax**

Samuel Richman, Concord-Carlisle Regional HS  
Michael Scorpa, Natick HS

## **Tenor Sax**

Corrado Bott, Cambridge Rindge & Latin  
Victor Nicolazzo, Wellesley HS

## **Baritone Sax**

Lauren Barr, Medfield HS

## **Trumpet**

Gordon Wei, Newton South HS  
Daniel Engdahl, Westford Academy  
Adam Sheena, Newton South HS  
Nash Ten Hagen, Medfield HS  
Seth Feigenbaum, Needham HS

## **Trombone**

Ben Kelly, Needham HS  
Lukas Subacs, Medfield HS  
Zachary Wiesch, Needham HS  
Ben Schouten, Rivers School

## **Piano**

Anderson Lee, Needham HS

## **Guitar**

Will Eckford, Noble and Greenough School

## **Bass**

Ben Harris, Wellesley HS

## **Drum Set**

Liam King, Needham HS

## **Vibraphone**

Nathan Manasseh, Rivers School

## EASTERN DISTRICT SENIOR CHORUS

**Dr. Katherine Chan, Conductor**

**Leona Cheung, Accompanist**



Australian conductor, Katherine Chan, is known for her energy and enthusiasm on the podium. As Director of Choral Activities and Associate Teaching Professor of music at Northeastern University, Chan conducts the Northeastern University Choral Society Chorus, Chamber Singers, and Mosaic Advance Treble Ensemble. A sought-after choral clinician, Chan also serves as the Artistic Director of Boston Choral Ensemble, and ACDA East Region Collegiate Repertoire and Resource (R&R) Chair.

Chan's unique blend of talent and energy has also been on display at the numerous prestigious international festivals in which she's been privileged to participate. In 2010, Chan was a presenter at the Australian National Choral Association's Choralfest and in the same year, was awarded the Sydney Symposium Choral Foundation's Fifth Choral Conducting

Scholarship. Chan has been a conducting scholar with Maestro Helmuth Rilling at the Oregon Bach Festival (2011), Taipei Bach Festival (2012), Hong Kong SingFest (2012). In 2015, she was invited to conduct at the national conductor master class with John Nelson at American Choral Directors Association (ACDA) National Convention, and with an invitation to conduct at the 2016 National Conductors' Symposium, Canada. In 2017, she placed among the top four finalists at the ACDA National Graduate Conducting Competition, international top-12 finalists in the World Choral Conducting Competition 2019, and top 6-finalists at the Romano Gandolfi International Competition for Choral Conductors in Italy in 2023. Known for her highly innovative collaborations, Chan partnered with librettist Michael Dennis Browne in 2015 to present a semi-staged performance of Fauré's Requiem with singers from the Minnesota Chorale. Other notable conducting engagements include guest conducting the Minnesota Chorale, Xi'an Symphony Chorus (China), ACDA Honor Choirs, Bach Choir of Bethlehem, Cantata Singers, Boston Landmarks Orchestra, and the Back Bay Chorale.

Prior to her relocation to the United States, Chan was extensively involved in Australia's choral community. She held positions on the National Council as well as the Queensland & Northern Territory State Committee for the Australian National Choral Association (ANCA). She held numerous positions throughout Australia including as the musical director of Choral Connection, and choir director St Andrew's Uniting Church, Brisbane. In addition to conducting, Chan also actively performs as a soprano and pianist/accompanist.

Chan received her Bachelor of Music Performance and Pedagogy in piano from the Queensland Conservatorium of Music, Griffith University, and won numerous awards including the Brisbane Women's Club and Yvonne Hayson Bursary, the Ruby C. Cooling Piano Bursary, and M. K. Lassell Piano Scholarship. She received her Master of Music degree in choral conducting from the University of Washington, and Doctor of Musical Arts in Conducting from the University of Minnesota (UMN) under the mentorship of Kathy Saltzman Romey and Matthew Mehaffey.

## PROGRAM

Nyon Nyon

Fa Shu Ha

How Can I Keep From Singing?

O Love

Tha Thin Tha

Jake Runestad

Yu-Shan Tsai

Sarah Quartel

Elaine Hagenberg

Lisa Young

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**Chorus Assistant Manager: Jonathan Eldridge, Weston Public Schools**

# EASTERN DISTRICT SENIOR CHORUS

## Soprano

Margaret Agyeman, Wayland High School  
Liesl Alexander, Lincoln-Sudbury Regional HS  
Acacia Almeida, Framingham HS  
Shanti Appavoo, Brookline High School  
Leah Berger, Weston High School  
Sreya Binu, Westford Academy  
Sophia Bourne, Weston High School  
Arsen Carangelo, Cambridge Rindge & Latin  
Saavani Datta, Weston High School  
Eliza Decaneas, Boston Arts Academy  
Gita Drummond, Cambridge Rindge & Latin  
Rebecca Gale, Brookline High School  
Ondine Goedhuis, The Winsor School  
Kamryn Harris, Rivers School  
Grace Hinkle, Westford Academy  
Shriya Iyer, Acton-Boxborough Regional HS  
Daphne Jones, Brookline High School  
Ava Katz, Concord-Carlisle Regional HS  
Lindsay Kwon, Buckingham Browne & Nichols  
Francesca Le Pera, Wellesley High School  
Eva Meraw, Wellesley High School  
Anastasia Miller, Somerville HS  
Joon Min, Newton North HS  
Piper Newman, Wellesley High School  
Delia Rauch, Needham High School  
Marina Ricker, Concord-Carlisle Regional HS  
Louisa Rossano, Wellesley High School  
Elise Ruberg, Brookline High School  
Olivia Ryan, Boston Latin School  
Audrey Sanger, Newton North HS  
Sophia Shahrooz, Brookline High School  
Eliza Solomon, Wellesley High School  
Pariplavi Sontha, Wayland High School  
Alida Svenson, Weston High School  
Jessica Tao, Boston Latin School  
Amiya Tess, Needham High School  
Nadia Tess, Needham High School  
Elodie Weinzierl, Noble and Greenough School  
Sofia Zay, Natick High School

## Alto

Anna Adams, Framingham HS  
Mia Allen, Needham High School  
Brigid Arturi, Weston High School  
Ingrid Aumiller, Brookline High School  
Alex Auth, Wellesley High School  
Tessa Baron, Wellesley High School  
Ivy Bass, Brookline High School  
Kiersten Blume, Needham High School  
Sophia Carter, Boston Latin School  
Sophie Chang, Newton South HS  
Claire Cho, Newton South HS  
Lucy DeMeo, Montrose School  
Ruby Dolgon, Milton High School  
Antonia Duffield, Brookline High School  
Joanna Finney, Westford Academy  
Sofie Forsythe, Weston High School  
Devereux Fuller, Quincy High School  
Siena Furfaro, Boston Latin School  
Aiden Green, Bedford High School  
Emma Hammond, Wellesley High School  
Lucy Hays, Milton High School  
Samantha Hirschey, Wellesley High School  
Greta Krauss, Medfield High School  
Lillian Kuklewicz, Brookline High School  
Elle LaFave, Wellesley High School  
Eva LaRowe, Medfield High School  
Denedra Ma, Wayland High School  
Avery Macdonald, Watertown High School  
Julia Mangum, Milton High School  
Swara Metlapally, Wayland High School  
Dorie Meunier, Lincoln-Sudbury Regional HS  
Ava Morrison, Medfield High School  
Corleigh O'Connell, Westford Academy  
Rahi Patel, Westford Academy  
Sammy Rennie, Natick High School  
Lee Rush, Natick High School  
Arya Samaratunga, Wayland High School  
Kiera Stanton, Medfield High School  
Suneehri Verma, Noble and Greenough School  
Meghan Wang, Wellesley High School  
Mia Young, Millis Jr./Sr. High School

## Tenor

Adam Balbale, Weston High School  
Yasmina Bird, Medfield High School  
William Caberoy, Quincy High School  
Dora Capobianco, Boston Latin School  
Zoe Colimon, Boston Latin School  
Noah DeBouter, Weston High School  
Adni Duale, Boston Latin School  
Jamie Duffy, Wellesley High School  
Mia Falco, Bedford High School  
Samuel Feathers, Boston Latin School  
Vivian Flan, Watertown High School  
Benjamin Gilman, Needham High School  
Daniel Goldberg, Wellesley High School  
Colin Graves, Wellesley High School  
Taiyu Guo, Weston High School  
Ryan Harding, Wayland High School  
Matthew Hollatz, Quincy High School  
Kristina Honda, Boston Latin School  
Evan Hyman, Natick High School  
Tarun Kancharla, Xaverian Brothers High School  
Curtis Keene, Weston High School  
Oliver Kilgore, Wellesley High School  
Daniel Leonce, Lincoln-Sudbury Regional HS  
Phineas Manasse-Latham, Boston Latin School  
Cameron Mara, Needham High School  
Xavier Martin, Roxbury Latin School  
Finn Mathews, Wellesley High School  
Ryan McElaney, Natick High School  
Nael Nawana, Weston High School  
William Pollock, Natick High School  
James Potter, Natick High School  
Fin Reichard, Roxbury Latin School  
David Rosemberg, Newton South HS  
Miles Salerno, Needham High School  
Luca Scirica, Wellesley High School  
Nika Shabestari, Wellesley High School  
Meilynn Teng, Concord-Carlisle Regional HS  
Brady Welburn, Wellesley High School  
Noah Zall, Concord-Carlisle Regional HS

## Bass

Ritvick Abrol, Wellesley High School  
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Theo Bowne, Lincoln-Sudbury Regional HS  
Marcus Burkes-Nossiter, Boston Latin School  
Jackson Bush, Needham High School  
Jude Cannon, Boston Latin School  
Jialin Chen, Boston Latin School  
Jacob Choi, Bedford High School  
Joseph Choi, Bedford High School  
Alex Cross, Weston High School  
Atticus D'Alessandro, Milton High School  
Ivan Epworth, Brookline High School  
Darian Estrada, Roxbury Latin School  
Eclipse Felix, Somerville HS  
Jack Gilmore, Concord-Carlisle Regional HS  
Owen Gold, Weston High School  
Parker Hastings, Boston Latin School  
Jae Iyengar, Weston High School  
Keion Jalinous, Weston High School  
Evan Joncas, Wellesley High School  
Eoghan Kelley, Wellesley High School  
Myles Litman, Cambridge Rindge & Latin  
Ethan Liu, Wellesley High School  
Michael Mansour, Westwood High School  
Henry McCue, Needham High School  
Benjamin Pixley, Concord-Carlisle Regional HS  
Alec Purrington, Needham High School  
Matthew Qian, Concord-Carlisle Regional HS  
Kianoush Rahimi, Brookline High School  
Michael Romeo, North Quincy High School  
Jonah Rotondo, Lincoln-Sudbury Regional HS  
Linus Schafer Goulthorpe, Commonwealth School  
Mark Snekvik, Boston Latin School  
Michael Thekaekara, Xaverian Brothers High School  
Jonathan Tillen, Noble and Greenough School  
Philip Wohlfeld, Weston High School  
Michael Zhu, Brookline High School

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Rob Woodin, Alto  
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