



MBCI
June Band
Concert
(Virtual)

June
2021

Mennonite
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Program

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[*Grade 6 Concert Band*](#)

[*Cuban Breeze - Robert Story*](#)



[*Grade 7 Concert Band*](#)

[*Pirates of the Caribbean - Klaus Badelt, arr. Michael Sweeney
\(The Medallion Calls, The Black Pearl\)*](#)



[*Grade 8 Concert Band*](#)

[*Theme from Jurassic Park - John Williams, arr. Michael Sweeney*](#)



[*Grades 10 and 12 Concert Bands*](#)

[*Risk Everything for a Dream - Richard L. Saucedo*](#)
[*Here Comes the Sun - George Harrison, arr. Mike Tomaro*](#)

About this year's MBCI June Band Concert

To adhere to COVID-19 safety guidelines, this concert is a virtual performance.

Each player individually recorded an audio and a video for their part at home. The audios were then combined electronically on Audacity, then added to the videos on Adobe Premiere Pro.

The logistics of getting all needed percussion equipment to twenty different students' homes was an intricate puzzle, but everyone stepped up and got the job done. Particular shoutouts to the Grade 10 & 12 wind players who volunteered to record some additional percussion parts to make the performances complete.

Click on the titles above to find the recordings on Youtube. Note that there was a glitch with the last selection. If the link doesn't play, try again in a few days.

Thank-you for listening!

We hope to see you next year in Jubilee Place when we hopefully return to performing in front of live audiences.

Andrew Klassen - Band Teacher



Special Thanks to:

Each band student -
for your enthusiasm, patience, and perseverance
in dealing with significant new technologies, all while learning
to play your instruments, learning about music, and learning
what it means to be part of an ensemble.

Parents, guardians and families -
for your encouragement and investment in the God-given creative gifts
of these young musicians!

Andrea Neufeld - Principal and Jessica Boese - Assistant Principal -
for your support and encouragement.

Donna Klassen - for video editing and significant technical help.

Notes from the Students

Grade 6 Concert Band

We proudly present *Cuban Breeze* by Robert Story, a great song to bring us into the summer holidays. We started Grade 6 as beginners but have learned a lot in 10 months, even during a pandemic! God has kept us safe, and next year will be a lot easier. We have been back to remote learning again this month, but have continued to learn about music, about teamwork, and how to play our instruments. So sit back and enjoy our final performance of the year - *Cuban Breeze!*

Grade 7 Concert Band

We were proud to have our music from the last video used by the Grade 9s as an accompaniment in their mini-musical, *The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe*. For this video, we have chosen music from the movie, *Pirates of the Caribbean*, by Klaus Badelt and arranged by Michael Sweeney. Since every note had to be individually recorded at home, we transported the large percussion equipment, sharing with the other three bands for their videos. Next year, God willing, we hope to do our concerts the traditional way, but in the meantime, technology has helped us keep the performances going. Enjoy *Pirates of the Caribbean!*

Grade 8 Concert Band

After much discussion as a band as to what we would perform for this June video, we went the same route as the 7s and chose movie music, the *Theme from Jurassic Park*, by John Williams and arranged by Michael Sweeney. In this music, you can hear the noble grandeur of dinosaurs roaming freely, along with a certain unease over putting them in an island theme park. What could go wrong?

Even during this pandemic, God is in control, and despite COVID restrictions, we have still been able to make music together. We are thankful that everyone stepped up to do their part for these videos. And now we bring you *Theme from Jurassic Park!*

Grades 10 and 12 Concert Bands

This pandemic year has been a wild ride of ups and downs, and our concert band curriculum has been revamped four times. But God is good, and through each stage we have continued to experience the power and joy of music making. For this virtual performance, we chose to do two selections. *Risk Everything for a Dream*, by Richard L. Saucedo, was commissioned by UNITED SOUND, an organization whose purpose is to put instruments into the hands of special needs students. We then close fittingly with George Harrison's *Here Comes the Sun*, arranged by Mike Tomaro. It should help herald the coming summer holidays, and for our graduates, the beginning of the rest of their lives, hopefully in a post-COVID world. We hope you enjoy *Risk Everything for a Dream* and *Here Comes the Sun!*

We have worked hard to put these videos together, and we hope you enjoy our efforts!

Performers

Grade 6 Concert Band

Flute

Alexa Ziemianski
Aseel Weldemariam
Hope Smith

Clarinet

Claire Kasdorf
Kulraj Sandhu
Mia Colosimo
Mya Braun
Nia Allan

Oboe

Calleigh Armitage

Alto Saxophone

Maddox Struch
Smith Wiebe

Tenor Saxophone

Diego Melchor
Julian Evan

Trumpet

Alex De Sousa
Britta Mueller
Logan Wirth
Oliver Tyrna
Shaan Benipal

Euphonium

Luka Friesen
Lukas Martens

Percussion

Dandi Loewen
Himmat Sandhu
Matthew Johannson
Max Boese

Student Executive

Britta Mueller
Julian Evan
Maddox Struch
Mya Braun

Grade 7 Concert Band

Flute

Abby Epp
Heidi Wall
Sara Melendez

Clarinet

Aniya Atwal
Isabel Neufeld
Toran Ritchie

Alto Saxophone
Adam Charbonneau

Trumpet

Allison Penner
Janaya Kasdorf
Jeremie Bashengezi
Matthew Carriere
Wyatt Kell

Horn

Aleksa Teixeira
Phoebe Xu

Trombone

Lucy Schmidt

Percussion

Anne Elvebo
Julia Johannson
Mackenzie Epp

Student Executive

Aleksa Teixeira
Janaya Kasdorf
Matthew Carriere
Wyatt Kell

Grade 8 Concert Band

Flute

Avery Kasdorf
Brooklyn Struch
Jelena Knezic
Makenna Speer

Alto Saxophone

Cayman Litkowich

Tenor Saxophone

Micah Ens

Percussion

Carson Schroeder
Hannah Sidhu
Marcos Fiallos
Robert Drepaul
Sienna Basra

Oboe

Kailie McGinn

Baritone Saxophone

Ben Kopp

Tuba

Chahat Brar

Clarinet

Emily Armitage
Macie Urban

Trombone

Ethan Atkins
Levi Thiessen

Student Executive

Carson Schroeder
Jelena Knezic
Levi Thiessen
Macie Urban

Bass Clarinet

Katelyn Lotocki

Grades 10 and 12 Concert Bands

Flute & Piccolo

Evan Henry-10

Trumpet

Hayden Gifford-12
Ivan Tkach-12

String Bass

Zachary Carriere-10

Clarinet

Evan Tryhuk-12
Norelle Ditchfield-10

Trombone

Samantha Stark-12

Additional Percussion

Madi Bartel-12
Samantha Stark-12
Seth Walters-10
Tom Stevens-12
Zachary Carriere-10

Bass Clarinet

Madi Bartel-12

Trombone

Samantha Stark-12

Alto Saxophone

Ethan Olfert-12

Euphonium

Seth Walters-10
Tom Stevens-12

Student Executives

Grade 10:

Seth Walters

Grade 12:

Sam Stevens
Tom Stevens

Tenor &

Baritone Saxophones

Sam Stevens-12

Percussion

Benton Warner-12
Marcus Enns-12