

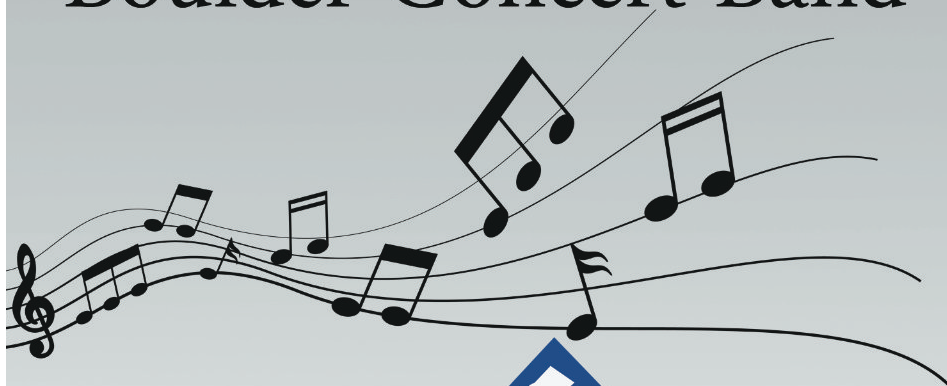


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## The Boulder Concert Band

The illustrious history of the Boulder Concert Band traces back to the ICC Silver Cornet Band of 1870, which performed weekly concerts in the pioneer town of Boulder. In 1897, the larger Boulder Citizen's Band was formed, said to be the best of its type in Colorado. Its successor, the Boulder Municipal Band, was the first to include women musicians. Today's Boulder Concert Band was organized in 1978 by Hugh McMillen, former Director of Bands at the University of Colorado. One of the foremost adult community bands in the United States, the Boulder Concert Band comprises all-volunteer musicians from the Boulder, Longmont and Denver metro areas.

The Boulder Concert Band endeavors to give back to our community in numerous ways. Several of our musicians have formed small ensembles which perform for private and community events. The Boulder Concert Band provides outstanding performances of traditional and new concert literature, concert band classics and contributions from guest artists, and offers a community organization for adults who wish to continue to play their instruments after high school or college. In the summer, we offer fare suitable for family gatherings in Boulder's beautiful city parks, a patriotic concert in Louisville on the 4th of July and a private concert at the Frasier Meadows Retirement Community.

**We welcome you and hope you enjoy tonight's performance!**



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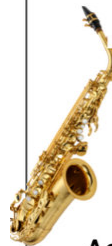


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## **JON BORODACH**

### **Music Director & Conductor, Boulder Concert Band**

Jon Borodach has enjoyed a diverse career as a conductor, educator, instrumentalist, and arranger working with adult and young adult musicians. Before joining the Boulder Concert Band, Mr. Borodach was a student of Dr. Kenneth Singleton at the University of Northern Colorado, where he is in the final phase of completing his Doctor of Arts degree. While at UNC, Mr. Borodach served as the conductor of the Symphonic Band following the retirements of Dr. Singleton and Dr. Richard Mayne and he has worked closely with the current UNC Director of Bands, Dr. Wesley Broadnax. “I count these three men among my strongest musical mentors and good friends,” commented Jon.



From 2011 to 2018, Mr. Borodach was Principal Conductor and Music Director of the Thornton Community Band, programming engaging and enriching concerts for audiences from the North Metro area. “I greatly enjoy working with adult musicians who gather together simply to play music and to enjoy the shared experience of artistry, camaraderie and friendship,” declared Jon.

Born and raised in Southern California, Mr. Borodach was the Director of Instrumental Music at Grossmont High School in La Mesa, San Diego County, California. Under his baton, the Grossmont ensembles consistently earned Superior ratings at regional music festivals and contests. During his tenure at GHS, Mr. Borodach led student ensembles on concert tours of Washington D.C., Philadelphia, New York and San Francisco. Graduates from the Grossmont High School music program have earned scholarships to study music at the University of North Texas, the University of Nebraska, the University of Arizona, the University of California at Los Angeles and at several California State University campuses.

From 2001 to 2004 Mr. Borodach served as the Associate Conductor of the San Diego Wind Ensemble, a group comprising freelance professional musicians. Mr. Borodach has served as adjudicator and clinician for the Southern California School Band Orchestra Association and as a Master Teacher for prospective music educators from Point Loma Nazarene University and San Diego State University.

Mr. Borodach also has extensive musical theater experience as a conductor and pit musician working with theater companies in the San Diego area. Mr. Borodach holds Bachelor of Music and Master of Music degrees from San Diego State University.

Mr. Borodach is committed to performing the highest quality works in the wind band repertoire. He has been a champion of new music, performing several new works by young composers as well having been pivotal in the commissioning of new music by renowned composers, including “Some Give All” by David Holsinger, “Give Us This Day” by David Maslanka, and “Baron La Croix’s Shuffle” by Donald Grantham. “I greatly enjoy working with adult musicians who gather together simply to play music and to enjoy the shared experience of artistry, camaraderie and friendship,” declared Jon. We look forward to another great year of making music together!





**A National Award-Winning Band**

For the fifth straight year, the Boulder Concert Band has been named a finalist in the American Prize competition in the Band/Wind Ensemble Performance—Community Division, 2024. The American Prize celebrates American excellence in the arts. We earned first place in 2020, and third in 2021.

This year, we submitted “*Homage: Three Tapestries*” by David R. Holsinger: “*Tapestry One (allegro)*”, “*Tapestry Two (adagio moderato)*”, “*Tapestry Three (allegro vivo)*” from our April 15, 2023 concert, under the direction of Dr. Kenneth Singleton.

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- 1898 The name “Boulder Citizen’s Band” was first used.
- 1899–1918 The band was directed by Bill Swartz.
- 1918–1922 The band was directed by George Oles.
- 1922–1927 The band was directed by Eliseo Jacoe, an Italian trained conductor. This was the first conductor of record with training.
- 1928–1933 Horace Jones was the director.
- 1933–1935 George Oles returned as director.
- 1936–1956 Hugh McMillen, Professor of Music at C.U. Boulder, conducted the band. Adults were paid \$2 per concert, university students 50¢, and high school students 25¢.
- 1939 The name was changed to “The Boulder Band.”
- 1956 The band was discontinued due to “unruly” audiences and lack of financial support.
- 1978–1986 The “Boulder Concert Band” was reorganized by Hugh McMillen with Charles Kassinger as Associate Conductor. During these years the band gave four concerts October to May, and four concerts in the summer. The name has remained unchanged since 1978, and band members receive no compensation, but pay dues to participate.
- 1986–1991 Richard Culver became the conductor.
- 1992–1994 Cynthia Hutton was conductor.
- 1994–1997 Thomas Caneva, Assistant Director of Bands at the University of Colorado, was conductor.
- 1998–2000 Nathaniel Johnson was conductor.
- 2000–2006 Brian Hopwood was conductor.
- 2006–2009 Randall Coleman was conductor.
- 2009–2011 Zina Richardson was conductor and music director of the Boulder Concert Band.
- 2011–2013 Dana Biggs, Assistant Director of Bands at the University of Colorado, was conductor and music director.
- 2013–2014 Jeffrey Miller was conductor and music director.
- 2014 Matthew Arau and William Kinne co-conducted the summer season
- 2014–2015 William Kinne was conductor and music director.
- 2015–2016 Peter Lillpopp was conductor and music director.
- 2016–2017 Rafael Antonio Rodriguez was conductor and music director.
- 2017–2019 Silas Nathaniel Huff was conductor and music director.
- 2019–2023 Dr. Kenneth Singleton, retired Director of Bands at the University of Northern Colorado, was conductor and music director.
- 2023–Present Jon Borodach is conductor and music director.

# Boulder Concert Band 2023-2024 Season

October 26, 2024  
“New Frontiers”

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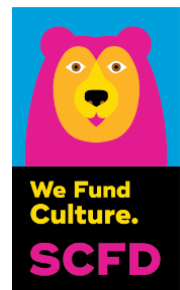


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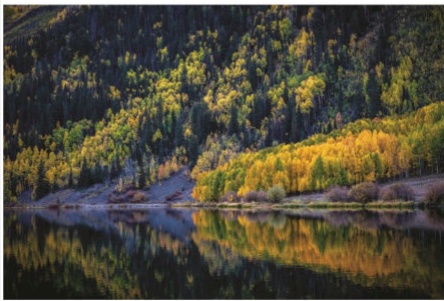
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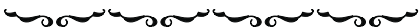
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