

Leicester Community Concert Band

Proudly Presents

The Magic of Christmas

*Enjoy an enchanting evening
of festive music with us!*

Saturday 9th December 2023

Judgemeadow College 7.30pm



IAN ROBINSON ~ CHAIR

It gives me great pleasure to welcome you to our Christmas concert. The programme this evening consists of a variety of new arrangements, traditional favourites and opportunities for audience participation. We hope you will leave full of festive cheer.



The last time we were here at Judgemeanow Community College it was a very warm evening in June, when we performed our 'Saturday Night at the Movies' concert. This concert was also the first outing for our new LCCB banner which, in addition to its impressive appearance, provided the opportunity to capture a very different perspective of the band.



During our concerts we usually include small ensembles to showcase various sections of the band. This evening it is the turn of the brass section, with a crowd pleasing (hopefully) arrangement of Jingle Bells, and our LCCB Singers.



I would like to take this opportunity to introduce Cathy Highton, our lead instrumentalist. Cathy started playing clarinet at the age of 10 in Worcestershire and was a member of the county youth orchestra for several years. After a long break from playing (similar to many band members) Cathy joined the band in January 2008 and went on to become the leader of the band, a post she has held diligently for a number of years. Cathy is also the Treasurer of LCCB and we are very fortunate to have her services.

Finally, I would like to take this opportunity to thank Brian, the members of the committee and the many other band members and supporters who help in so many ways. We have a talented and delightful membership and I hope our enjoyment comes across to you throughout this concert.

We thank you for your support this evening and hope you enjoy the concert.

BRIAN HUMPHERSON MBE ~ MUSICAL DIRECTOR



After qualifying as a music teacher in 1967, Brian held posts in Nottingham and Leicestershire schools. For many years he worked as a conductor for the Leicestershire School of Music and often acted as musical director for local choirs and operatic societies, notably Broom Leys Choral Society which he directed for 29 years.

As Director of Music and Performing Arts at Guthlaxton College, Brian led the Guthlaxton Concert Band and Big Band to national and international success. The college also became renowned for its strong tradition in musical theatre. After leaving the classroom he continued to work as a music examiner, teacher trainer and arts moderator until his retirement in 2016.

A keen pianist, Brian has held a lifelong interest in jazz and popular music. He still performs regularly with various ensembles, including the Nottingham Jazz Orchestra. He was awarded an MBE for services to music education in Leicestershire.



INTERESTED IN JOINING?

The band performs a varied repertoire which includes well known marches, music from shows, arrangements of classical pieces, popular tunes and works from the British Wind Band tradition. There is something to suit everyone's taste.

There are no formal auditions, but a reasonable level of musical proficiency is required – equivalent to Grade 5 standard – although it is not a pre-requisite to have taken the exam.

LCCB strives to provide a friendly and supportive environment within which all musicians can progress at their own rate. Interest from prospective new members is always welcomed - please visit our website. Details of our Young Musicians Scheme are also on the website.

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PROGRAMME

A CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL

Leroy Anderson

MARY'S BOY CHILD

Jester Hairston arr. Philip Sparke

O HOLY NIGHT

Adolphe Charles Adam arr. Calvin Custer

BRASS ENSEMBLE

Jingle Bells

arr. Derek Ashmore

IT'S BEGINNING TO LOOK LIKE CHRISTMAS

Meredith Willson arr. Michael Brown

CHRISTMAS "POP" SING-A-LONG

arr. James D. Ployhar

FAIRY DOLL

Rob Wiffin

INTERVAL

Refreshments available in the Dining Room





A MOST WONDERFUL CHRISTMAS

arr. Robert Sheldon

SLEIGH RIDE

Leroy Anderson

RUDOLPH, THE RED-NOSED REINDEER

arr. Naohiro Iwai

LCCB SINGERS

When a Child Is Born

Fred Jacobson and Zacar arr. Audrey Snyder

Gaudete

Piae Caniones arr. Jose Miguel Galan

A "Holiday Road" of Carols

arr. Greg Gilpin

LAST CHRISTMAS

arr. Andrew Watkin

WHITE CHRISTMAS

arr. Naohiro Iwai

A CHRISTMAS CAROL

Alan Silvestri arr. Robert Longfield



MUSICIANS

Flute/Piccolo



Pat Bellingham
Kirsty Blackstock
Jane Cowan
Jon Dexter
Rachel Draper
Andrea Harris
Sue Harrison
Ed Matthews
Helen Mockler
Karen Robinson
Helen Schofield
Sarah Short
Sarah Whittaker



Oboe

Sheryl Hayes

Bassoon

Lez Bullwer


Clarinet

Roger Calvert
Ann Churcher
Elaine Coley
Phil Desborough
Beth Ellis
Christine Grantham
Cathy Highton
Nina Parker
Liz Pell
Heather Pelmore
Rosalind Read
Rhaana Starling
Sarah Statham
Karen Tyrell


Bass Clarinet

Ed Cook

Alto Saxophone



Alex Jemmett
Lucy Satchell
Jude Smith





Tenor Saxophone

Sarah Banks
Laura Freeman
Peter Nicholls

Baritone Saxophone

John Finlay

Trumpet/Cornet

Alex Bentley
Nigel Birch
Rob Dunn
Jon Lee
Peter Perry
Ian Robinson
Claire Sutcliffe
Sue Weatherby



French Horn

Fran Askew
Alison Briggs
Ian Civil
Saffron Sunley



Trombone

Chantal Biemann
Bruce Campbell
Peter Hession
Corey Stathers
Andrew Weatherby




Euphonium/Baritone

Stuart Braithwaite
Sophie Gray
Alistair Osborne
Alan Parker



Tuba

Peter Briggs
Roy Ridgewell



Percussion

Sam Harrison
Ian Maw
Nick Wolff



Merry Christmas!

Leicester Community Concert Band Members
extend warm wishes for a joyful Christmas and
a prosperous New Year.

Information about our 2024 concerts will be shared on our
social media platforms once finalised. We look forward to
your presence at the events and wish you a safe journey
back home.

A heartfelt thank you to all those who contributed to the
planning and success of this festive concert. Your support is
invaluable, and the achievement of the event wouldn't be
possible without it.

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www.leicestercommunityconcertband.weebly.com

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