

*The Classic City Band*

**SPOOKY  
MUSIC**

Fall Concert

2:00 p.m.

October 30, 2016

State Botanical Garden of Georgia

# About Us

The Classic City Band of Athens, Georgia is the oldest continuously functioning community band in Georgia. Founded in 1976 for the purposes of preserving the rich cultural heritage of the American concert band, this non-profit organization gives free concerts throughout the year in Athens, Georgia and surrounding communities. The band's repertoire includes all types of music: marches, jazz, pop, show tunes, excerpts from operas and musicals, as well as traditional and classical selections.

You may have heard our band play on the Fourth of July celebration at Bishop Park in Athens or at a holiday concert at the Georgia State Botanical Gardens. We have performed for the Watkinsville Spring and Fall Festivals, the Madison Cultural Center, and at the Spring Festival in Greensboro, Georgia.

On September 7, 2006, Athens Mayor Heidi Davison and the Athens-Clarke County Commission issued a proclamation declaring the Classic City Band "the official municipal band of Athens, Georgia."

## *Classic City Band Ensembles*

**Classic City Swing** is an 18-member band formed in the summer of 2006 and is under the direction of Ben Robinson. It schedules independently of the Classic City Band. Our original mission was to make the music of the '40s Big Band Era available for local retirement homes and senior citizen groups. The Classic City Swing is also available for weddings, dance clubs, banquets, and other private events. The donation required is set depending on the length of the program and the location of the venue.

The **Classic City Dixiedawgs**, managed by Ed Bush and directed by Ed Schwartz, are an ensemble of 7 who play New Orleans-style dixieland music. The Dixiedawgs were founded in the spring of 2012 and have played all around Athens, particularly for church groups, retirement living places, at Athens Academy, and at UGA. The band includes, clarinet, trumpet, trombone, tenor sax, piano, and drums.

The **German Polka Band**, founded in 2007 and directed by Ed Schwartz, performs fast waltzes and polkas. It was revitalized in 2014 and has 22 players. This ensemble is available for Oktoberfest events, civic functions, church groups, and enjoys playing around Athens at retirement facilities.

For information about scheduling one of these ensembles for an event, contact Herb Meyer at 706-380-3878, or see the Classic City Band's website at [www.classiccityband.org](http://www.classiccityband.org).



# Program

Night on a Bare Mountain

Modest Mussorgsky (1839 - 1881)  
arr. Parsons

In the Hall of the Mountain King  
from *Peer Gynt Suite No. 1*, Op. 46

Edvard Grieg (1843 - 1907)  
arr. Tobani

The Witch and the Saint

Steven Reineke (b. 1970)

Funeral March Of A Marionette

Charles Gounod (1818 - 1893)  
arr. Meyrelles

Music for a Darkened Theatre

Danny Elfman (b. 1953)  
arr. Brown

Selections from *The Phantom of the Opera*

Andrew Lloyd Webber (b. 1948)  
arr. Barker

Harry Potter Symphonic Suite

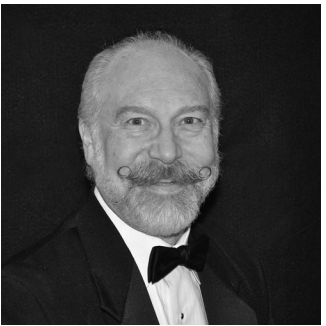
John Williams (b. 1932)  
arr. Smith

# Conductors



**Michael Brewer** is a lifelong Classic City resident; he was born in Athens and has lived in or near the area his entire life, playing in the Classic City Band while he was in high school. Mr. Brewer is currently employed as an Application Programmer at the University of Georgia and is also a board member and secretary of the US PostgreSQL Association. A Phi Beta Kappa, summa cum laude graduate of UGA, with degrees in music and mathematics, Mr. Brewer was a member of Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia music fraternity. He has played trombone for the Athens Symphony for over 20 years; he also directs the Athens Brass Choir, a community brass ensemble he founded in 2002. He has studied instrumental conducting with Albert Ligotti, H. Dwight Satterwhite, and Mark Parker. A member of the American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers

(ASCAP), his compositions have been performed at UGA, Brevard Music Center, and the Interlochen Arts Camp; his arrangement *A Christmas Carol Sing Along* was performed by the Athens Symphony on their Christmas concerts for many years; and he composed, orchestrated the score, and directed the pit orchestra for a one-act musical drama, *Song of a Child*.



**Ed Schwartz** is a native of the Chicago area. He is a graduate of the University of Illinois School of Music with multiple degrees in music education. Ed has spent his professional career helping faculty in higher education with the effective use of technology and has worked on several projects focusing on technology in music education. He served as Instructional Designer for the award-winning University of Delaware Videodisc Music Series, authoring several books on laserdisc technology in education. At Virginia Tech, Ed was the co-editor of the Virginia Tech Multimedia Music Dictionary, now the OnMusic Dictionary. Before coming to the Classic City Band, Ed founded the Newark Community band in Newark, Delaware and served as Music Director for six years until his move to Virginia. There he founded the Blacksburg Community

Band and served as Music Director for 24 years. He was a founding member of the Summer Musical Enterprise in Blacksburg (Virginia), producing Broadway musicals for 21 years and performing as lead male in *Sound of Music* and *Kiss Me Kate*. As a performer, Ed plays trombone and euphonium and along with the Classic City Band, performs with the Classic City Dixiedawgs and Classic City Polka Band. Ed has also sung in opera choruses and minor roles with the Illinois Opera Theatre, Opera Delaware, and Opera Roanoke. Ed currently works as Assistant Director of Classroom Support and Learning Spaces at the UGA Center for Teaching and Learning.

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# Personnel

## **Piccolo**

Lee Carmon‡

## **Flute**

Lee Carmon‡  
Chelsea Clark  
Cathy Hancock Hicks  
Marty Tanner Hughes  
Annette Hynes  
Jolene O'Brien  
Leslie Palacios  
Cescilia Pino  
Sylvia Schaefer\*

## **Oboe**

Heidi Nibbelink\*  
Peter Paulsen

## **English Horn**

Holly Behre

## **Clarinet**

Stephanie Armes  
Marco Cestaro  
Anita Cook  
Tom Cooper‡\*  
Susan Holden  
Teri Loper  
Bob Matthews  
Herb Meyer  
Audrey Pogue  
Ken Reid‡  
Francis Rizner

## **Alto Clarinet**

Marco Cestaro

## **Bass Clarinet**

David Robinson  
Kayla Welchel

## **Contralto Clarinet**

Marco Cestaro

## **Bassoon**

Elizabeth Tong\*

## **Alto Saxophone**

Cynthia Cone  
Elizabeth Howells\*  
Roy Legette  
Susan Svendsen

## **Tenor Saxophone**

Karen Biehle  
Bob Placek

## **Baritone Saxophone**

Kay Tanner

## **French Horn**

Brian Armes  
Karen Castleberry  
David Hill\*  
Steve Korzekwa  
Bonnie O'Keefe Lockwood  
Michaelyn Loper  
Jill Jayne Read‡  
Michele Ross

## **Trumpet**

Peter Ahumada  
Ed Bush  
Kelly Bussell\*  
Wes Clarke  
Steve Cumblidge  
Mac Fry  
Rhonda Herring  
Logan May  
Paula May  
Don McCreary  
Glenn Petko  
Danny Popov  
Ben Robinson  
Jerry Shannon  
Kimberly Takagi  
Gary Walker

## **Trombone**

George Cone  
Charlie Doyle\*  
Charles Hall  
Jeanne Nadenicek  
William Pogue  
Carter Stanfield‡

## **Bass Trombone**

Chris Byrd  
Ed Schwartz

## **Euphonium**

Bill Pittenger  
David K. Stone\*

## **Tuba**

Meg Abouhamdan\*  
Eli Araya  
Bryan Andrews  
Tom Hodges  
Dennis Kieft  
Larkin Taylor-Parker

## **Percussion**

Tim Bartholow  
Mary Sue Brewer\*  
Michael Brewer  
David Dicus  
Carson Lee  
Gabe Loper  
Nate Loper  
Barbara Reid\*  
Ed Schwartz

\* Section Leader

‡ Founding Member



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