

Welcome to the *FIRST EVER* full-length concert of Clare, MI's very own...

GATEWAY BRASS ENSEMBLE

Clare United Methodist Church
Sunday, May 4th, 2014 @ 3:00pm

War March of the Priests from *Athalia*, Op. 74
Felix Mendelssohn (1809 - 1847)
arr. Michael Allen

Contrapunctus V from *the Art of Fugue*, BWV 1080
J.S. Bach (1685 - 1750)
arr. Michael Allen

Komm, Susser Tod (Come, Sweet Death), BWV 478
J.S. Bach (1685 - 1750)
arr. Michael Allen

Hungarian Dance No. 3
Johannes Brahms (1833 - 1897)
arr. Michael Allen

Selections from *the Fitzwilliam Virginal Book*
Giles Farnaby (1563 - 1640)
arr. Michael Allen
I. Mal Sims
II. The Old Spagnoletta
III. His Dreame
IV. His Humour
V. Tell Mee, Daphne
VI. A Toy

INTERMISSION

Presidential Polonaise
John Philip Sousa (1854 - 1932)
arr. Michael Allen

Ballade, Opus 10, No. 1 "Edward"
Johannes Brahms (1833 - 1897)
arr. Michael Allen

Spoon River
Percy Grainger (1882 - 1961)
arr. Michael Allen

The Girl with the Flaxen Hair
Claude Debussy (1862 - 1918)
arr. Michael Allen

Euphonic Sounds
Scott Joplin (1868 - 1917)
arr. Michael Allen

ROSTER

Conductor

Michael Wright (*elementary music teacher*)

Trumpet

Joe Hellberg (*band director*)

Ed Kerr (*retired principal*)

Doug Lake (*instrument repairman*)

Hannah Livingston (*recent college graduate*)

T.J. Rynearson (*retired chief of police*)

Melissa Sapienza (*band director*)

Tim Weiland (*CMU student*)

Horn

Julie Jacobs (*CMU student*)

Brian Nowak (*CMU student*)

Jamie Richardson (*business owner*)

Mike Wertheimer (*physician*)

Trombone

Brian Collins (*CMU student*)

Jim Dennis (*courier/piano tuner*)

Ken Feneley (*retired band director*)

Tricia Harris (*CMU student*)

Jason Hitsman (*science teacher*)

Euphonium

Keera Allen (*CMU student*)

Paul Shimmons (*band director*)

Tre Skorzewski (*MMCC student*)

Tuba

Drew Jones (*CMU student*)

Aurther Kimmons (*CMU student*)

HISTORY

The Gateway Brass Ensemble (GBE) began in 2013 as an idea over dessert at Mt. Pleasant's Yogurt Yeti. Founded as a sister ensemble to Clare's very own Gateway Community Band, the group quickly grew to 20 members in its first few months. As their name suggests, the GBE is a volunteer group for local brass players, ranging in age from college level to retired. Although anyone is encouraged to join, our members are primarily Gateway Community Band players, local high school band directors, and CMU music majors. Under the direction of Michael Wright (Clare Primary School music teacher and French horn player), the GBE rehearses once a week in the Clare High School band room. Their goal is to put on a handful of concerts for the Mid-Michigan community every school year, including collaborations with local middle/high schools and community ensembles. Keep your eye out for upcoming GBE performances this fall.

DONATIONS @ EMAIL LIST

One of the big challenges for this young ensemble is finding the funds for new music, which averages \$30 per song. If you'd like to help contribute to the GBE so we can continue to put on great shows, please consider donating in the lobby. Your support is greatly appreciated! Also, join our email list to receive periodic updates from the GBE (such as performance dates).

JOINING

Interested in joining the Gateway Brass Ensemble? Any brass player is welcome to join! Please contact Michael Wright at mvwright12@gmail.com for more information.