

GATEWAY BRASS ENSEMBLE

Brown Corners Church Dinner Theater
Friday, December 12th, 2014 @ 7:10 pm

SONGS

Christmas Day

Gustav Holst
arr. Allen

Christmas Suite

Brian Sadler

- I. Christmas Fanfare
- II. Deck the Halls
- III. Carol of the Bells
- IV. God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen
- V. Sheriff Santa
- VI. Dance of the Sugar Plum Fairies
- VII. We Three Kings
- VIII. O Come All Ye Faithful

ROSTER

Conductor

Michael Wright (*elementary music teacher*)

Trumpet

Jason Aylward (*CMU student*)
John Hawkins (*retired band director*)
Ed Kerr (*retired principal*)
James Kerzman (*CMU student*)
Doug Lake (*instrument repairman*)
Hannah Livingston (*band director*)
Alex Maday (*direct support professional*)
T.J. Rynearson (*retired chief of police*)
Tim Weiland (*CMU student*)

Horn

Jamie Richardson (*business owner*)
Tim Wright (*MSU student*)

Trombone

Jim Dennis (*courier/piano tuner*)
Ken Feneley (*retired band director*)
Tricia Harris (*CMU student*)
Jason Hitsman (*science teacher*)
Megan Lickman (*CMU student*)

Euphonium

Sammy Howell (*CMU student*)
Paul Shimmons (*band director*)
Tre Skorzewski (*MMCC student*)

Tuba

Tom Broka (*retired band director*)
Drew Jones (*CMU student*)
Charlene Matthews (*music instructor*)

ABOUT US

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 Gateway Community Band, the group quickly grew to 20 members in its first few months. As its name suggests, the GBE is a volunteer group for local brass & percussion players, ranging in age from high school to retired. Although anyone is encouraged to join, our members are primarily Gateway Community Band players, current & retired band directors, and music majors from Central Michigan University. Under the direction of Michael Wright (Clare Primary School music teacher), the GBE rehearses once a week in the Clare High School Band Room. Its mission is to perform several concerts for the Mid-Michigan community every school year, including collaborations with other music ensembles and local events.

DONATING

One of the big challenges for this young ensemble is finding the funds for new music, which averages \$1000 per year. 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!

WEBSITE

We have an exciting new website to share with you! Visit www.gatewaybands.org/brass for lots of great content, including upcoming & past concert information, videos & photos of our group in action, a complete personnel list, information on joining our ensemble, and much more. If you'd like to get in touch with us, shoot us an email at gatewaybrass@gmail.com

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