

Wind Symphony and Concert Band



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7:30 PM

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PROGRAM

Concert Band

Alicia Neal, conductor
Gerard Morris, guest conductor

La Fiera Asturiana Michele Fernández
(b. 1967)

Danza la Habana Ruth Brittin
(b. 1961)

Gerard Morris, conductor

Melodius Thunk..... David Biedenbender
(b. 1984)

Gerard Morris, conductor

Mi Mexico Jorge Vargas
(b. 1971)

—Brief Intermission—

Wind Symphony

Alicia Neal, conductor
Gerard Morris, guest conductor

Downey Overture..... Oscar Navarro
(b. 1981)

Amparito Roca Jaime Texidor/Winter
(1884–1957)

Gerard Morris, conductor

Elixir..... Michael Markowski
(b. 1986)

Gerard Morris, conductor

Gone..... Scott McAllister
(b. 1969)

Blue Shades Frank Ticheli
(b. 1958)

Addie Willis, B-flat clarinet

GERARD MORRIS BIOGRAPHY



Since 2018, Maestro Gerard Morris has served as conductor and artistic director of the esteemed Tacoma Concert Band (TCB). Driven by immense passion for teaching, Morris spent nearly two decades as the Director of Bands and Chair of the Winds & Percussion Department at the University of Puget Sound School of Music. Today, he continues to invest in arts education by hosting the Puget Sound Conductors Institute and mentoring the Robert Musser Conducting Fellowship Program.

Beyond the Pacific Northwest, Morris is a sought-after guest conductor, clinician, and presenter. His credits include prestigious appearances at The Midwest Clinic, Colorado Music Festival, multiple CBDNA Conferences, and numerous state music education conferences nationally. His work has taken him worldwide, including a guest artist residency at the American Community School Abu Dhabi and Dubai, alongside upcoming residencies in Hong Kong and Taipei. Morris's teaching is informed by his professional performing career, having toured the United States, Australia, and Costa Rica as a euphonium soloist and ensemble member with both the Boulder Brass and the United States Marine Corps Band, Hawai'i.

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CONCERT BAND PERSONNEL

* DENOTES PRINCIPAL PLAYER/ ^ DENOTES CO-PRINCIPAL

Flute

Callie Luna
Gracie Manning*
Payton Mooney
Laurie Mueth
Laura Severson
Caison Whitaker

Oboe

Sophia Pennington*
Jaylin Stofferahn

Bassoon

Ryann Furlow*

Clarinet

Sarah Adams^
Rachel Bumatayo
Anna Carr
Hayden Elliott
Ivy Harrison
Jo Mitchell^
Jayne Ozier
John Tanner
Geneva Vossekuil
Harper Weatherford-Brown

Bass Clarinet

David Acevedo

Alto Saxophone

Andrew Bledsoe
Vivienne Dothager
Millie Eugea
Mason Holland*
Jason Oswalt
Darren Weckle

Tenor Saxophone

Leland O'Dell
Xavier Wilmoth*

Bari Sax

Peter Walker

Trumpet

Levi Crawford
Chase Finley*
Isaac Gingerich
Abby Kodat
Braden Magelitz
Jesse Osborne
Jessica Roell
Emma Spencer

Horn

Jaylin Stofferhan

Trombone

Carson Alexander^
Lila Balding^
James Connett
Ethan Ennis
Phineus McCloskey
Alia Young
Ethan Zuber

Euphonium

Cesar Guardian*
Charles Hughes

Tuba

Ben Anderson
Hoaby Hoagland
Amari Jenkins
Alex Schneider*

Percussion

Xavier Brown
Kayleah Colvin*
Chase Milan
Kieran Trejo
Emmersyn Walton

FOR TICKETS TO FUTURE EVENTS

Call the Doudna Fine Arts Center Box Office at 217-581-3110! The Box Office is open Tuesday - Friday 11:00am - 5:00pm and one hour prior to every ticketed event. You can also visit www.eiu.edu/doudnatix and purchase/print your tickets at home and skip the line all together!

WIND SYMPHONY PERSONNEL

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Piccolo

Jenna Watkins

Tenor Saxophone

Noah Captain

Tuba

Jonathan Carley*
Karson Landsaw

Flute

Kyla Abbott
Meysam Ghodraty
Lillian Hopper
Hannah Kirkwood*
Jenna Watkins

Bari Saxophone

Jonah Snyder

Percussion

Megan Garcia*
Clark Parmenter
Aidan Reed
Cora Tutterow

Trumpet

Arianna Collins
Ryan Cooper*
Luke Ferris
Brian George

Double Bass

Race Brighton*

Bassoon

Ben Schwarberg*

Yensy Patricio-Garcia

Clarinet

Kate Aldridge
Ahmarai Chavez
Maci Reed
TJ Seputis
Jaime Tiger
Addie Willis*

Horn

Jackson Christian
Zeke Walters
K Herrera Zambrano*

Piano

Jake Reeley

Additional Personnel

Aidan Gomez, trombone
Emmersyn Walton, percussion

Trombone

Ross Oller*
Jaycob Serbin

Bass Clarinet

Rey Oyervides

Bass Trombone

Colin Lakatos

Alto Saxophone

MJ Jarrell
Kyle Rennier*
Wes Stabler

Euphonium

Atlas Akers*

UPCOMING IMPORTANT BAND DATES:

Friday, November 13, 2026 @ 7:30pm
EIU Wind Symphony and Concert Band

Monday, December 7, 2026 @ 7:30pm
EIU Symphonic Band and Pana High School Band

DOUDNA FINE ARTS CENTER

PATRON SERVICES GUIDELINES

Usher Staff

Ushers are located at the entrance of the venue. If you have a question or a problem, please let them know and they will contact the House Manager.

Ticket Policies

Please note that all ticket sales are final, and refunds will be given on a case-by-case basis.

Late Arrival

In most instances you will have to wait until an appropriate time to be seated. Please wait for an usher to escort you to your seat.

From time to time late seating is not allowed. If that is the case you will need to wait until intermission or purchase a ticket for another day. Refunds are not given for late arrivals.

Mobile Devices, Photography and Recording

If viewing the digital program, please dim your screen brightness as a courtesy to those around you. Text-messaging and the taking of photographs or videos by phone or tablet is strictly prohibited.

The use of cameras - with or without flash - and recording devices is a violation of copyright law and discourteous to other audience members.

Failure to comply with the above policy will result in you being asked to leave the performance without a refund.

Doctor and Parent Emergency Calls

If you are a medical professional/parent with a sitter at home, please put your phone on silent and wait to take the call until you are out of the performance venue.

No Smoking

EIU is a tobacco-free campus. Smoking of any kind, including electronic cigarettes is prohibited on campus.

Food and Beverages

Food is not allowed inside any of the venues. Only beverages in the special Doudna drink cup, are permitted in the venues.

Accessibility

Special accommodations can be made for patrons in wheelchairs, need of assisted listening devices, need of volume reducing devices, need of fidgets, etc. Please see the Box Office or call 217-581-3110 for more information.

In the Event of an Emergency

Emergency exits may be found outside of the venue and are marked accordingly. The lighted "Exit" sign nearest your seat is the shortest route out of the building.

Families

The Doudna welcomes patrons of all ages to experience and enjoy the arts. Please carefully consider whether a performance is appropriate for children before planning to attend with young people. If you have concerns or questions about a specific event, please call the Box Office at (217) 581-3110.

Please be considerate of others in the audience and your young person's comfort. Children or those with special needs who are disruptive will be asked to leave until they are ready to return.

Lost and Found

Found items should be left with an usher. If looking for a lost item ask an usher or call (217) 581-3110 / email doudnatix@eiui.edu and someone will get back with you the next business day.

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- 2 tickets to 2 Doudna premier performances
- 2 reusable Doudna cups

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- 2 reusable Doudna cups
- Recognition in program

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- 2 reusable Doudna cups
- Recognition in program
- Recognition on Lobby Screen
- Backstage Tour

DOUDNA LEVEL \$5,000+

- 2 Doudna premier season tickets
- 2 reusable Doudna cups
- Recognition in program
- Recognition on Lobby Screen
- Backstage Tour
- Doudna Insider Experience
 - Attend a rehearsal/sound check or join the group for dinner.
 - Arranged by the Doudna Fine Arts Center

