



Bands of America South Texas Regional Championship

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MUSIC PANEL (alphabetical by last name)

Joel L. Denton, Chattanooga, TN

Joel L. Denton served as Director of Bands at Ooltewah High School for 37 years before retiring in 2018. Mr. Denton is a graduate of the University of Tennessee and has completed graduate studies at UT-Chattanooga. Mr. Denton was most recently recognized as a CMA Music Teacher of Excellence in 2018. Under his direction, the Ooltewah Band achieved a national reputation for musical excellence including performances in the Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade in 2013 and 2007, as the only band in the 2011 Disney Christmas Parade on ABC, and in the 2017 Tournament of Roses Parade. The Ooltewah Band was a consistent finalist at Bands of America Regional Championships being awarded multiple class championships and placements and was a national semi-finalist on multiple occasions with several class placements. The Ooltewah concert bands most recently performed at the Music for All Regional Concert Festival in 2016, the TMEA (TN) State Music Conference in 2014 and 2010, the Smoky Mountain Music Festival in 2011 (Grand Concert Division Champions), and multiple other state, regional and national events through the years. At the 2015 Midwest Clinic, Mr. Denton was awarded the John Phillip Sousa Foundation Legion of Honor for his contributions to band. He served as Chairman of Fine Arts at Ooltewah from 1982 until his retirement and was selected five times as the Ooltewah Teacher of the Year. The Tennessee Governor's School for the Arts thrice honored him for outstanding teaching. Mr. Denton currently serves as the Tennessee State Chair for the National Band Association and as a Past President of the Tennessee Bandmaster's Association. He served as the State Legislative Delegate and Advocacy Chair for TMEA and served as a member of the Tennessee Department of Education's Fine Arts Student Growth Committee. He is active as an adjudicator, clinician, and consultant working with Music for All/Bands of America, Drum Corps International, several universities and state organizations, as well as, many high school bands across the nation. Mr. Denton most recently presented a clinic session at the 2017 Midwest Clinic on "Why We Do What We Do". Mr. Denton and Kerry, his wife of thirty-four years, reside in Chattanooga and have two adult children, Alex and Caroline.

David Morrison, Arlington Heights, IL

David Morrison served as Director of Bands at Prospect High School, in Mt. Prospect Illinois, where he built and maintained a nationally recognized concert and marching band program for twenty-nine years. The Prospect marching bands were frequent finalists at Music For All events at both regional and Grand National venues. His concert bands were equally successful, being selected as Honor Band at the University of Illinois Super State Festival. After his high school retirement in 2006, Mr. Morrison worked as conductor of the University of Illinois at Chicago concert band. He also served on the faculty of Illinois Wesleyan University, DePaul University, Northern Illinois University, and Vander Cook College of Music. As a guest conductor, Mr. Morrison worked with bands throughout his home state of Illinois, including the Illinois All-State Band and numerous ILMEA district and local bands. He also conducted bands in numerous other states and with several groups internationally, including bands in Singapore and

Australia, and he continues to clinic and adjudicate bands in many parts of the country and the world. Mr. Morrison is a recipient of the Citation of Excellence from the National Band Association, the Outstanding Contributions to Education Award, the Outstanding Chicagoland Music Educator Award, the John Paynter Lifetime Achievement Award and the John Philip Sousa Foundation Legion of Honor Award. He was inducted into the Phi Beta Mu Bandmaster's Hall of Fame, and in 2003, Mr. Morrison was honored as the State of Illinois Teacher of the Year.

Randy Greenwell, McCordsville, IN

Randy retired from teaching in January of 2017 from the Lawrence Township Schools, Indianapolis, Indiana. He served 24 years of a 32 year teaching career in Lawrence Township. While at Lawrence Central High School, Randy served as the Director of Bands and Department Chair for Performing Arts. In January of 2017, Randy accepted a position as the Educational Support Manager (Central Region), for Conn-Selmer Inc. He now travels the country, working with bands, music educators, and collegiate music majors, presenting clinics on a host of topics and assisting schools with their music education initiatives. Randy actively judges for Bands of America, DCI, and WGI.

Over his career at Lawrence Central High School, Randy built a nationally renowned program in marching band, concert band, and jazz ensemble. His marching bands were four-time Indiana Class A State Champions, and two-time Bands of America Grand National Champions. They performed in the Pasadena Tournament of Roses Parade on two occasions, the Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade, the Fiesta Bowl Parade (winning the Fiesta Bowl National Band Championship), the Hollywood Christmas Parade, and the Philadelphia Thanksgiving Day Parade. They were also the featured high school marching band for the Pre-Super Bowl Festivities in Indianapolis in 2012. Randy's Wind Ensembles were named State Champion five times, and performed at several IMEA Conventions, and two Bands of America National Concert Band Festivals. Randy's Jazz Ensembles received numerous outstanding musician and solo awards as well as Honor Band recognition during his tenure.

Kevin McNulty, North Richland Hills, TX

Kevin McNulty has been the Head Director at Keller Central High School since 2009. Mr. McNulty's responsibilities at Keller Central include conducting the Wind Ensemble, leading the Marching Band and teaching the AP Music Theory class. In addition, Mr. McNulty facilitates all aspects of the Band program and vertical teaching in the Keller Central feeder pattern. The Keller Central Wind Ensemble has received division 1 ratings consistently since 2009. In 2016, and 2018 the Wind Ensemble advanced to the TMEA Honor Band state auditions. The Wind Ensemble is performing in the Music for All National Concert festival as a featured group in 2019. The Keller Central Marching Band has received UIL division 1 ratings since the year of 2008. The Marching Band advanced to the UIL state completion in 2011. The Marching Band has been a Bands of America finalist in the St. Louis, and Dallas/Fort Worth Regionals. The Keller Central Marching band was also a semi-finalist in the 2015 Grand Nationals Competition.

Before working at Keller Central Kevin McNulty served as Associate Director at Richland High School for five years. Bands under his direction have received UIL Sweepstakes for four consecutive years. The band program also made two appearances at the UIL State Marching

Band Contest winning the championship in 2004 and was a finalist in 2008, was a two-time Finalist in the Bands of America Grand National Championships in 2005 and 2007. Jazz bands under Mr. McNulty's direction have received a first-place finish at the TCU Jazz Festival in 2008; they have also received a first-place finish at the TWU festival in 2008 and 2009.

Mr. McNulty received a bachelor's degree in Music Education from the University of North Texas in 2003 and has received his Master's degree at Southern Methodist University in 2018. Kevin resides with his wife, Nicole McNulty, and their two children Kevin III and Emma, in North Richland Hills, Texas.

VISUAL PANEL (*alphabetical by last name*)

Chris Moss, Clemson, SC

Chris Moss is the Director of Bands at Pendleton High School in Pendleton, South Carolina, and holds a bachelor's degree in Music Education from the Florida State University. Chris has performed in many organizations including the Florida State University Marching Chiefs, the Cadets Drum & Bugle Corps, Paradigm Winter Guard, and Northeast Independent Winter Guard. Previously, Chris served nine years as the Assistant Band Director and Color Guard Caption Supervisor at Byrnes High School in Duncan, South Carolina. Additionally, Chris has served on the brass staff with Capital Regiment Drum & Bugle Corps and the Cadets Drum & Bugle Corps.

Chris is currently a member of the South Carolina Band Directors Association and the National Association for Music Education while being a national board-certified educator. He also serves on the Board of Directors of the Carolina Indoor Performance Association and is an Adjudicator for Drum Corps International and Bands of America.

Chris has served as Drill Designer, Conceptual Designer, Program Coordinator, or Program Director for many award-winning marching bands and winter guards across the Southeast. Marching Band awards include State Finalists, Upper and Lower State Championships, State Championships and BOA Regional Finalists. Winter Guard awards include Circuit Championships, WGI Regional Finalists, WGI Regional Championships, WGI Elite Regional Championships, and WGI World Championship Finalists in the Scholastic A, Independent A, and Scholastic Open Classes. Chris is married to Dr. Alison Starr-Moss, has two daughters, Lily and Evie, and two dogs: Schatzi and Pippin.

Lindsey Vento, Lee's Summit, MO

Lindsey Vento is in her 19th year in the pageantry arts where she has served as an instructor, program designer, adjudicator and choreographer. She has worked with and designed for bands and color guards all across the country as the visual designer and artistic coordinator for Vento Music and Visual Designs, where she and her husband work side by side. Lindsey's program designs have earned numerous finalist accolades in the Winter Guard International and Bands of America arena.

She has her degree in Music Education and is an active dance instructor and adjudicator, as well as performer with the Lyric Opera of Kansas City, before she decided to focus all of her efforts

into the pageantry arts. Lindsey's proudest accomplishments are her three sons, Jack, 17, Maxwell, 10 and Samuel, 9.

Juno Orefice, Wyoming, MI

Juno Orefice started in the activity as a marching member of the Brooklyn Royal Eagles back in 1971. In 1974 he marched with the Secaucus Meadowlarks who later merged with the Woodbridge Townsmen to become the Royal Brigade, a 1976 DCI Regional Finalist. Juno has worked in the pageantry arts for over 30 years as a Visual Designer. He has judged for Drum Corps International since 2006, judging World Class Finals week on many occasions. He has been judging for BOA since 2015 and has judged Indoor Guard and Percussion for over 20 years.

He helped develop the Michigan Color Guard Judging Association from the ground floor and fostered the growth of judges as well as circuit members. He was Judge Coordinator for the Michigan Color Guard Circuit from 1998 to 2019 and was inducted into MCGC Hall of Fame in 2009. From 2010 to 2015 he was the Visual Caption Head for the Michigan Competing Band Association. In 2015 he became the Judge Coordinator for the Michigan Competing Band Association.

Juno continues to hold yearly Clinics both locally and nationally for all Visual Captions. His attitude of "it's about the kids" has been maintained and professed over his many years of service.

CHIEF JUDGE

Albert Lo, Brownsville, TX

Albert Lo is currently in his fourth year as the Director of Bands at The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley and the resident Conductor/Artistic Director for the Brownsville Wind Symphony. Mr. Lo also serves as the Director of the UTRGV Jazz Orchestra and heads the secondary instrumental music education department. Mr. Lo is completing a Doctor of Musical Arts degree at The University of North Texas in Denton, TX, where he is under the tutelage of Professor Eugene Migliaro Corporon, Professor Dennis Fisher, and Dr. Nicholas Enrico Williams. A native of Chicago, IL, he received his Bachelor of Music Degree from Northern Illinois University and his master's of art Degree from Western Illinois University. As a former Director of Bands at Winston Churchill High School in San Antonio, TX, his bands continued their tradition of excellence, placing in the finals at consecutive Texas 5A State Marching Contests, Bands of America (BOA) Regionals, and the Bands of America Grand National Championships in Indianapolis, IN. The Charger Band was selected to participate in the Tournament of Roses Parade in Pasadena, CA. and performed in the 50th anniversary celebration of Hawaii's Statehood. Mr. Lo is an active clinician and guest conductor in Texas and throughout the United States, Europe, and most recently in Asia. Mr. Lo is a two-time Teacher of the Year recipient and was awarded Certificate of Recognition by the Texas Academy of Math and Sciences at the University of North Texas in Denton, TX. He is a member of College Band Directors National Association, Pi Kappa

Lambda Music Honor Society, Phi Mu Alpha Fraternity, Texas Music Educator Association, and Texas Bandmasters Association.