

Into Annual Toy Drive Concert



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Atlantic Pops 19th Annual Winter Toy Drive Concert December 4, 2015

Jesu-Joy to the World

Robert Thurston, USAF

Mr. Ben Fong, Associate Conductor

Jerusalem

Phillip Sparke

Greensleeves

Alfred Reed

Mr. Michael Longdo, Guest Conductor

Blue Christmas

Hayes & Johnson, arr. Jay Dawson

Mr. Michael Longdo, Guest Conductor

Intermission

I Saw Three Ships

Larry Kershner

Mr. Don Wittenwiler, Conductor

Special Guests - The Cygnus Contemporary Ensemble

Eric Clapton - On Stage!

Clapton, arr. Paul Murtha

Babes in Toyland

Victor Herbert, arr. Forsblad

Mr. Ross Holman, Associate Conductor

Bacharach & David Medley No. 2 Burt Bacharach & Hal David

Marches of the Armed Forces Traditional, arr. Clark & Gilpin Remembering Pearl Harbor Day and a musical THANK YOU to those who served in our military!

Cygnus Contemporary Dance Ensemble

Ms. Cynthia Domino, Director Kimberly Chok ℜ Rachel Fisher ℜ Emilie Irwin Jessica Rosenthal ℜ Selbbep Salgado ℜ Samantha Schenck

Atlantic Pops Winter 2015 Personnel

<u>Flute</u>

Karan Erlandson Stephanie Garriel Lauren House Elizabeth Provenzano Catherine Rosenberg Danielle Schuster Judy Simmermon

Oboe

Shawn Garrone Christene Sledge

Bb Clarinet

Grant Berg
Kelly Cooney
Andrea Dixon
Richard Harman
Emily Kroger
Angelina Lee
David O'Neil
Havilah Shorten
Nicole Tavormina
Demetra Zalman

Bass Clarinet

Emily Loeb Johanna Maioriello Mariah Vargo

Eb Alto Sax

Andrew Ehrhardt CJ Faulhaber Jamie Newcomb Jarod Wille

Bb Tenor Sax

Chris "C#" Sharpe

<u>Bassoon</u>

Marlee Ernst Tyler Wagner

Eb Bari & Soprano Sax

Gary Press

English Horn

Christene Sledge

F-Horn

Michael Cowles Matthew Johnson Amanda Lakits Michael Longdo Linda Moninghoff Joseph Sutton Kevin Sykes Troy Wagner

Trumpet

Mikey Auble
Bob Enterlante
Michael Daly
Johnny Dondero Jr.
Ben Fong
Ben Hambro
Ross Holman
Cristian McGowan
Jack Melton
Bill Paliwoda
Christopher Vandenberg

Baritone

Jaime Chavan
Damian Hankins
Brandon Matthews
Jim Schwartz
Ryan Washington
Gage Westervelt

Trombone

Dillon Clark Sol Finkelstein Andrew Hofstetter Andrew Martin Peter Senatore Roger Zavaki

Tuba

Jon Ferarra Tim Trout

Violins

Beth Anne Castellano Isaac Gaw *Kate Wyatt*

Cello

Alec Alleva Hans-Derek Yu *Jaime Chavan*

String Bass

Gabriel Gaw
Don Wittenwiler

<u>Harp</u>

Stephanie Sussmeier

Percussion

Andrew Bechera
Andy Campanell
Christine Castellano
Katie McLaughlin
Stewart Norton
Matthew Peterson
David Tobias
Geneva Zentmeyer

The Pops Singers!

Lisa March Toni Ann Gisondi-Pugliese

Italics Teacher/ Music Teacher

Special Thanks!

Mr. Rick Audet, EHT Recreation • Mrs. Dena Danz, EHT Recreation
Mr. Alex Brown, EHT Public Works • Mr. Sam Giaconda, EHT Public Works
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Mark Kadetsky, Music Director

Mr. K. has been teaching bands and orchestras in Egg Harbor Township, NJ for over twenty years. Under his direction, the EHT Marching Band appeared in a Volkswagen Commercial and won Group IV State Titles in 2006, 2008 and 2009.

Mark directs the Wind Ensemble, Concert Band and Percussion Ensemble at the Fernwood Ave. Middle School and is an adjunct professor of Music Education at Georgian Court University.

He holds a BA in Music Education from The College of NJ, an MA in Educational Leadership from Rider University and is a Doctoral candidate in Music Education at Shenandoah University. He keeps busy as a guest conductor, adjudicator and clinician both in and out of NJ.

Mark lives in Egg Harbor Township with his patient and lovely wife Kate, who is teacher at Absegami High School, their son Colin Rain and Rocky, their Black Labrador.

Ben Fong, Associate Conductor

Mr. Fong teaches instrumental music at Reeds Road Elementary School in Galloway, NJ and is also President of the South Jersey Band & Orchestra Director's Association. Ben also has a long history with the DCI World Class Mandarins Drum and Bugle Corps as a performer, an instructor/arranger and most recently as a Brass Tech for the corps.

Mr. Fong holds a Bachelor degree in Music Education from California State University and has graduate credits from Combs College and St. Joe's University. He has performed in almost every state in the union, including Hawaii, and in Taiwan. Currently, Mr. Fong performs as a lead trumpet player with the South Jersey Area Wind Ensemble and as lead trumpet player and associate conductor for the Atlantic Pops Community Band. Mr. Fong is a past president of the South Jersey Band and Orchestra Association. Recent guest conducting appearances include, the SJBODA Jr. High Honors Band, the Olympic Conference Junior High Honors Band, and the SJBODA Elementary Honors Band.



Ross Holman, Associate Conductor & Vice-President

Mr. Holman recently retired after over two decades as the Band Director and Supervisor of Fine Performing and Related Arts at the Pinelands Regional School District. While at Pinelands, he directed the Jazz Band and Concert Band as well as the Pit Orchestras for over twenty musicals. Prior to coming to PRHS, Mr. Holman served as the band and choir director at West Milford High School. He currently serves as a lead trumpet and Vice President of the Pops. In addition, several of Ross' former students are current members of the Pops!

Ross holds both a Bachelor degree in Music Education and a Masters degree in Supervision from The College of New Jersey. He spends his free time playing trumpet in the Atlantic-Ocean County area as well as riding Harleys with his wife Janice.

Mike Longdo, Guest Conductor

No stranger to the Atlantic Pops, **Mr. Mike Longdo** is a graduate of the music school at Murray State University in Kentucky. He recently retired after sixteen years as a band director at Southern Regional High School and twenty-five years of public school teaching. During his tenure at SRHS, the Golden Rams Marching Band was the Group IV Atlantic Coast Champions from 2003-2005. Mike has also served as the music arranger for the Egg Harbor Township High School Band and was the Brass Caption Head for the Hawthorne Caballeros and Magic of Orlando. He and his wife Terri, also a "Pops" musician, now reside in Florida. They have two musical daughters, Jennifer and Stephanie. No stranger to community bands in Florida, Mike also performs with and guest conducts the Bartow Adult Band and the Hollingsworth Wind Ensemble.

Don Wittenwiler, Jr.

Don has been on faculty at the ChARTer-Tech School for Performing Arts in Somers Point since 2008. His responsibilities there include teaching instrumental music, music theory and performance ensemble classes. Don holds a BA in Music Education from West Chester University where he studied string bass and was also a student marching instructor for the WCU Golden Rams. He also served as an Assistant Band Director for the EHT Silver Eagle Band from 2008-2015. We welcome him this evening to his first trip to the Pops podium!

Cynthia Domino, Dance Director

Cynthia Domino is the Artistic Director and one of the original founders of Cygnus Creative Arts Centre, a non-profit Art Centre in Egg Harbor Township, NJ. Cygnus is dedicated to offering classes for all ages and levels in the Visual and Performing Arts. The Centre began in 1993 with 80 students and expanded into a new 11,000 square foot facility in June 2008 which services over 500 students county wide. Cynthia holds a BFA from Adelphi University in Dance Performance, an M.Ed. in Dance Education from Temple University and Supervisor Certification from Rowan University. Since 1995, she has advocated for the arts in education and serves on numerous task forces for the New Jersey Department of Education statewide standards reform efforts. Concurrently, Cynthia is a full time Dance Educator at Atlantic City High School.

About the Pops!

The Atlantic Pops was originally formed as the Atlantic County Symphonic Band in 1997 under the direction of retired Mainland Band Director K. Michael Skwarlo. The group was formed to provide an outlet as well as camaraderie for area musicians of all ages.

In 1999, the band changed their name to The Atlantic Pops and in 2003, EHT Band Director Mark Kadetsky assumed the Music Director post. Through the years and regardless of name or director, The Pops exists to add to the cultural landscape in Atlantic County. In addition, all of the group's efforts are geared toward helping others through benefit concerts as well as providing scholarships and lessons to area musicians.

The Pops is pleased to be the Ensemble in Residence at the Cygnus Creative Arts Centré, a title they have held since 2010.

For more information visit them on Facebook at Atlantic Pops Community Band or online at: www.atlanticpops.com

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