

A note from Dr. Brooks

Band, Summer is soon coming to an end. As I write this, we are gearing up for "West Texas Drums", the first drum corps show in the area in decades. This is going to be a great event! As you probably know by now, I (Dr. Brooks) have been appointed as the director of the Sound of West Texas Buffalo Marching Band. I am thrilled to be in this position as it allows me the opportunity to Work with marching band (which I love!!!) and to work alongside the best students in any university, **bar none!** Dr. Teweleit is still very much around, and he is looking forward to working in sectionals and watching the marching band as an audience member. He is, of course, still in his Role as head of the music education area as well as the director of the concert band. I cannot wait for our return in a few weeks as the "Sound of West Texas" lays down some decibels! This year's shows feature some fantastic music that will be fun for all audiences (rated G). Our leadership will be working diligently to hone our teaching approach so not a moment of time will be lost in early band. Sign up for the BAND app now! It will be an important way of communication this season. https://band.us/n/a6ab5bL0H67fl Also watch the Marching Band page on the School of Music website. There will be a lot of information stored there that can help us unify our visual style as well as have an up-to-date schedule of events.

I am looking forward to a great

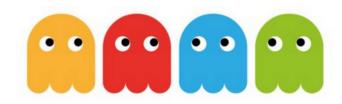
If you still need to register for band!

Dept Cat Sec Title Credit Days Time Instructor

MÚEN 1026 01 Marching Band 01 MWF 11:00AM-12:50PM R. Teweleit, B. Brooks

If you know of any student that will be attending WTAMU in the fall and might be interested in joining the band, we would appreciate their name, address, and phone number. Please forward this information to Dr. Brooks by email at bbrooks@mail.wtamu.edu or call at (806) 651-2862.

Remember: PLEASE COMPLETE YOUR BAND <u>band e-card</u> IMMEDIATELY. It is vital for our preparation for the fall season. Enjoy your summer, and we look forward to working with all of you this fall.



LEADERSHIP

Drum MajorsCaitlyn Hazzard Meghan Brooks

Color Guard Captains Captain (Head) – Kayla Kumar-Misir Co-captain – Natalie Zalce

Drill Instructors

Julia Allen Natalie Avilez Trace Bails *Malik Boyd Amaris Contreras *Aaron Erickson Shawn Frausto Chema Garcia
Joey Henriquez
Cyrus Jackson
Braden Lefevre
*Grace Lindauer
*Patrick Lucas
Danny Maldonado
Mac Means
Juan Montoya
Alejandra Mulgado
Bailee Rettig
Hannah Romo
Rachel Stansell
Gage Winkle

*Station Leaders





Drum Major notes

Hey, Band!

WELCOME BACK! We are so looking forward to this year. My name is Caitlyn Hazzard, and I'm excited to serve as one of your drum majors this fall. I'm a senior studying Music Therapy, and my primary instrument is trombone. I've spent the summer exploring some mountains, taking a few classes, and planning my wedding (woohoo!). My time at WTAMU has been such an amazing chapter of my life, and I can't wait for each of you to experience band here!

If you are a new member in the Buffalo Marching Band, we are so excited to have you. Our ensemble is made up of music majors and non-music majors alike and is truly just one big family. We have lots of fun in rehearsals, at football games, and making music with everyone! Please come say hello and know that the leadership team is here to support you in any way we can as you transition into college. I can't wait to meet all of you!

For our old folks, it's go time!! As you know, Dr. Brooks is the new director of the Sound of West Texas Buffalo Marching Band. He has been working tirelessly this summer to get ready for the season, as has the leadership team. We hope y'all are as excited to get back into marching season as we are!

I can't wait to see all of your hydrated and caffeinated faces come August 16th! God Bless and Go Buffs!

~Caitlyn



Hello everybody!

My name is Meghan Brooks, and I am junior Music Education and Music Composition major! I grew up right here in Canyon and graduated from Canyon High School! My main instrument is bassoon, but I also play mellophone during the summer when I'm marching with the Troopers drum corps. In fact, as I write this I'm somewhere in Utah. Nevertheless, I'm



so excited to get started with this marching season!

I'd like to welcome everyone to the WTAMU marching band! This band is amazing and we have some of the best people you will ever meet. For those who haven't been to college before, it can be very stressful and it's very important to have a support system to lean on. Lucky for you all, the band programs and the music department in general have some amazing people who you can talk to if you need anything. Not just the students, but the professors are amazing and will help you through anything. Don't be afraid to reach out to me, Caitlyn, or anyone else on the leadership for anything and everything you might need! We are here to help you and to help everyone have a great marching season. I can't wait to see what this season holds. Have a great rest of your summer and go buffs!!

This is the stuff you really want to know: Dorms, Moving In, Meals and More.

This is the info that you've been searching for.

THE BIG NEWS - You do NOT have to sign up to volunteer for the dorm move-in. If you are a member of the Percussion Section or the Color Guard, you can move into the dorms on THURSDAY, AUGUST 12 between 3p and 5p. You move right into your assigned dorm. You will need a parking permit to park anywhere on campus.

Everyone else can move into their dorms from Friday through Sunday, also from 3p to 5p.

The band covers meals starting with the first meal AFTER YOU ARE REQUIRED TO REPORT. Percussion & Color Guard start with lunch on Friday. Freshmen, transfers, and returning students start with dinner on Monday. Your meal cards will kick in on Thursday, August 19. The cafeteria will not serve breakfast on the weekends until classes start, so grab a box of nutritious Pop Tarts for the weekend.

All of our meetings are held in Mary Moody Northen Hall, in room 1010. You'll see it abbreviated in a variety of ways: N, MM, MMNH, Northen, Mary Moody...it all refers to the same place. N 1010 is the rehearsal room for Band and Orchestra, and it's on the west side of the building (for the directionally challenged like me, that's the side that faces Taco Villa). Northen can be confusing to get around in for first-timers. The building is rectangular, the center is triangular, and the hall that connects the building to the addition is impossible to see until you're right on top of it. If you've been to Band Camp, you'll find it. If you're new to the campus, program Ensemble Secretary Tracy's number in your cell phone and she'll guide you to it from wherever you end up on campus (806-651-2854).

The first day will consist of a brief meeting, introductions, and tryouts (for percussionists). Percussion and color guard will have been working for a couple of days by the time everyone else gets here on Monday. Be prepared to introduce yourself (or someone else). Dress for outdoor marching on Monday, but don't bring your instrument.

There is a \$50 band fee. It gets you your band t-shirt, a water jug, a baseball cap, and free admission to the bands' annual Halloween and Christmas parties. You get more than your \$50 worth.

ODDS AND ENDS, BUT STILL IMPORTANT: Want to march Color Guard instead of your instrument (woodwind preferred)? Indicate that in your band e-card and indicate Color Guard in addition to your primary instrument. THE REALLY BIG ADVICE IS RELATIVELY SHORT. Show up to your ensembles whether you're prepared or not. If you're not prepared, you might get called out on it, but NOTHING like if you blow it off. As far as your classes go, remember that you, or someone who loves you, is paying big bucks for you to be here. Get your/their money's worth. Your director or GA might give you a "friendly reminder" phone call telling you to get your butt out of bed and get to your ensemble. No one will do that in your other classes. You'll just fail for non-attendance (The other myth I'll mention is believing you'll pass a class you haven't attended). The other piece of advice is to get involved. You'll meet your life-long friends and maybe even your spouse or partner here, and you won't do that locked in your dorm room playing Mortal Kombat.

Greetings, Band Types!



My name is Tracy See, and I'm the Ensemble Secretary for Bands, Orchestra and Choirs. My duty, in addition to the business functions of the major ensembles, is to be your flight attendant for this leg of your journey. It's my job to help serve you through this flight, manage if there's trouble, and point you to the exits at the end. My office is in

the west wing of Mary Moody Northen Hall, room 1011. If there is anything you need or any question that you have, please come and see me. If I don't know the answer, I'll direct you to the person who does.

I'm a Michigan native, a 2019 non-traditional graduate of WT, and a crazy cat lady (In all fairness, I was crazy before the cats). I'm also the "safety Czar" for the West Wing of Northen Hall, so if you see me in a lime-green vest and a hard hat, know that it isn't a personal fashion choice (although I do have socks that match...); it's university-mandated for an emergency situation. If I'm wearing that particular outfit, laugh later (trust me, it will be justified), but listen closely to what I'm telling you in that moment.

Welcome (back) to the best place for Music in Texas. I'm looking forward to seeing you soon!

WTAMU Band Auditions for 2021-2022

The WTAMU Fall Band auditions will be for placement in one of the three concert bands. This audition will also determine the roster for the entire 2021-2022 Symphonic Band. Auditions will be held Monday, September 27, 2021 during your band class time, and will be judged by the WTAMU instrumental faculty. Who is eligible to audition? Any student attending WTAMU.

Here is the link to the audition music:

https://wtamu0-my.sharepoint.com/:f:/g/personal/rteweleit_wtamu_edu/EtF9VFahkSpAjYBcnG5sEnUBYVrtJ-WK_kiaxGbc5ns6La?e=rPVe9O

The audition music is excerpts from the following pieces (some instruments will have fewer selections).

- 1. Colas Breugnon Overture by Kabalevsky/Beeler, "The President's Own" U.S. Marine Band, YouTube: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aRWBiWYDtQa
- 2. Come Sunday by Omar Thomas, Michigan State University Wind Symphony 2019, YouTube: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vZDB8OhQP4Y
- 3. Malaguena by Lecuona/Barnes, YouTube: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CxHqO5bHyM8
- 4. Be Thou My Vision by Gillingham, "The President's Own" U.S. Marine Band, YouTube: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=z3VLWqAmrwk

Pertinent Details:

- If you are a music major at WTAMU, you must audition over the entire packet.
- Listen to and study the suggested recordings of each piece listed above.
- Practicing slowly with a metronome is the key to mastering difficult passages. During the audition, you will be asked to use a metronome on every excerpt, unless otherwise specified by the faculty member.
- Accuracy is important, but so is tempo.
- Discover the intonation tendencies of your instrument. There are electronic tuning devices available to you at a very affordable price. BUY ONE, and begin this process! TUNERS AND HOOKUPS or KORG ATTACHABLE TUNERS ARE REQUIRED!
- Don't procrastinate! The music is too challenging to learn in only a few days prior to the audition.
- You will be auditioning for the following:
- Flute, Oboe, Bassoon, E-flat Clarinet/B-flat Clarinet, B-flat Clarinet, Bass Clarinet, Alto Saxophone (if you do not have access to an alto, you may audition on tenor or bari), Trumpet, Horn, Tenor Trombone, Bass Trombone, Euphonium, Tuba, String Bass and Percussion.
- First Inside Rehearsal: Monday, October 1, 2021.
- First Concert: Wednesday, December 1, 2021.
- Additional things that you will need to know:
- The Symphonic Band will begin sectionals shortly after the band auditions.

Concert Attire – Formal Wear

The men will be wearing concert black attire; consisting of a black tux with a white tux shirt, black bow tie, black socks and black shoes. Females will order the appropriate attire after the start of the fall. In addition, they will need closed-toe shoes with black hose or socks. Good luck.

Don Lefevre

Orchestra Auditions

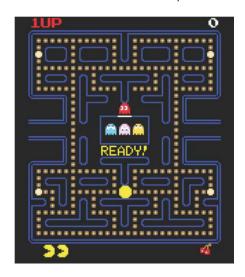
The audition materials for the WT Symphony have been posted here: https://www.wtamu.edu/academics/college-fine-arts-humanities/school-music/res ources/for-current-students/school-of-music-auditions-orchestra.html

Auditions are held the first two days of the fall semester (August 23 and 24). Students can sign up on the bulletin board outside Northen 257 when we return to campus.

If you have any questions, don't hesitate to ask me.

Summertime regards,

Dr. Mark Bartley



Parents' Day

Parents' Day is scheduled for Saturday, September 18 in the Legacy Hall in the JBK. Parents' Day is a way for your family/friends to join us for lunch, watch you perform at a football game, and see what a mess (or not) your dorm room/apartment is. Cost for the event is yet to be determined.



Hey Buffs!

My name is Macy Vincent and I am the current president of the Alpha Psi chapter of Kappa Kappa Psi here at WT! I am a senior music education major with an emphasis in clarinet.

The Brothers of Kappa Kappa Psi would like to welcome you to the Sound of West Texas Buffalo Marching Band and to WT! After a year of mostly online, we absolutely cannot wait to meet and get to know each of you!



If you are anything like I was reading this my freshman year, you are probably asking yourself, "What is Kappa Kappa Psi?" Kappa Kappa Psi, also lovingly referred to as "K- Psi", is a National Honorary Band Fraternity. Don't let the word "Fraternity" throw you off! We take a lot of pride being a co-educational organization accepting of ALL people and genders.

We want all of you to join us and our Brotherhood! We are dedicated to serving our band programs, building great leaders, providing a family through Brotherhood and showcasing phenomenal musicians. You can expect to see us doing all kinds of things- from serving our bands, working on joint projects with our sisters of Tau Beta Sigma and having fun as a Brotherhood!

Lastly, the Brothers and Sisters of Kappa Kappa Psi and Tau Beta Sigma are here to help you. We were all in your place a few years ago and want to help in whatever way we can! Please contact Natalie (Tau Beta Sigma President), myself or anyone else in our organizations if you need any help moving in or just need somebody to show you around. Please don't hesitate to ask!

Kappa Kappa Psi is ready to strive this year, and we can't wait to see you be a part of it!

Sincerely, Macy Vincent She/Her Phone- 806-215-5096 Email- macyv@kkpsi.org

Hey Band Buffs!

My name is Natalie Samuels, and I am serving as President of Tau Beta Sigma this upcoming school year! I am a senior music education major who plays the flute, but I attempt to spin flags during marching season. I'm from Monahans, Texas, which is a small town that's a little over 4 hours away from campus. I'm so excited to finally be back on the field after not being able to have a marching season last year, and I'm very excited to see everyone in a few weeks!



Now, you're probably wondering what Tau Beta Sigma is. Tau Beta Sigma, or TBS, is a co-ed national honorary band service sorority that supports women in the music field. We help out the band in many ways, whether it's by providing water for band rehearsals and football games, fundraising for band scholarships, or helping set up and tear down for rehearsals. In many ways, we're very similar to a booster club or a service team! When we're not providing service to the band programs, we're often completing service projects in the community such as cooking meals for women shelters and working with the Ronald McDonald House of Amarillo. We've also visited day cares and pre-schools for instrumental petting zoos and have helped with running band sectionals at middle schools. We thrive on service, and we enjoy serving together! As an organization, we hope to cultivate leadership and give everyone the opportunity to learn and grow as a member of our chapter.



The sisters of Tau Beta Sigma make it a point to ensure that all incoming band members feel welcomed at WT. If you ever need someone to talk to, give you a ride, hang out, talk about homesickness with, or help with settling in, feel free to reach out to one of us! We are here to help you! With that being said, if anyone needs help moving into their dorms, we are more than happy to help! Feel free to call, text, or email me if you need help, have any questions, or just need someone to talk to! We are so excited to meet everyone and get to know all of you! See you soon on the field!

Natalie Samuels

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Welcome our new Freshmen and Transfers (that we know about so far)!

Flute

Kyndahl Britton, Pflugerville, TX
Nalyn Chanthakhoune, Amarillo ,TX
Jillian Haig, Round Rock, TX
Isabel Hernandez, Amarillo, TX
Alex Lam, Sachse, TX
Liliana Lopez, Crosby, TX
Elena Moreno, Amarillo, TX
Devon Sanchez, Missouri City, TX
Prairie Wild, Windom, TX

Oboe

Jocelyn Morales Amarillo TX

Clarinet

McKenzie Bonner, Midland, TX Skylar Jones, Dalhart, TX Graham McFarland, Amarillo, TX Jeran Nolen, Stinnett, TX Faith Powell, Amarillo, TX Kaitlyn Rubinski, Amarillo, TX Dayton Scholz, Amarillo, TX Albert Spencer, Claude, TX Zoe Stovall, Amarillo, TX Noah Wall, Amarillo, TX Maddlyn Worley, Amarillo, TX

Bassoon

Katherine Clark, Canyon, TX Daniel Gonzales, Taylor, TX Kegan O'toole, Friendswood TX

Saxophone

Gage Davidson, Big Spring, TX Dillon Martin, Odessa, TX Coby Mount, Coahoma, TX Mackenzie Pritt, Childress, TX

Trumpet

Jordan Bunn, Tulia, TX
Heather Davis, Dalhart, TX
Grady Halcom, Amarillo, TX
Caleb Hesse, Amarillo, TX
Adam Johnson, Springtown, TX
Connor McClenny, Amarillo, TX
Nassir Reyes, Shallowater, TX
Ian Whitehurst, Smithtown, NY
Brayden York, Odessa, TX

Horn

Sydney Locke, Lubbock, TX Liliana Rivera, Humble, TX Christopher Santiago, Odessa, TX

Trombone

Damonusess Brooks, Houston, TX Alec Jung, Midland, TX Chris Larney, Tulia, TX Dominic Mendoza, Plainview, TX Jennifer Morillon, Stratford, TX Spencer Owens, Levelland, TX

Euph

Dillon Ewing, Canyon, TX
Karina Guido, Plainview, TX
Christopher Herrera, Farwell, TX
Thomas Lopez, Canyon, TX
Aaron Lowry, Amarillo, TX
Joseph Nguyen, Ft. Worth, TX
James Selman, Amarillo, TX
Marisol Vasquez, San Angelo, TX
Diamond Wilkinson, Stinnett, TX

Tuba

Chris Chadwick, Tulia, TX Spring Garcia, Tahoka, TX Nate Hernandez, Odessa, TX Lucas Martinez, Murchison, TX Camron McGuire, Claude, TX Noah Portillo, Lubbock, TX

Percussion

William Conway, Panhandle, TX
Cooper Delgado, Childress, TX
Piper Fowler, Amarillo, TX
Colton Gallandat, Cleburne, TX
Christian Griffin, Clyde, TX
Kirstyn Hinshaw, Borger, TX
Daniel Moreno, Fort Worth, TX
Charlie Neal, Canyon, TX
Angel Olivas, Shallowater, TX
Connor Pearson,
Julian Word, Borger, TX

Mystery

Yadhira Avalos, Hereford, TX Emma Casey, Hereford, TX Elaina Huffman, Lubbock, TX Ryan Jones, Temple, TX Emma Morris, Sunray, TX Cindy Munoz, Amarillo, TX Rene Rodriguez, Katy, TX Roberto Sanchez, Farwell, TX Jasmine Solis, Amarillo, TX Veronica Torres, Littlefield, TX

Welcome Back, Upperclassmen!

Flute

Natalie Avilez, Amarillo, TX Emily Boschen, Amarillo TX Amaris Contreras, Alice, TX Justice Dominguez, Odessa TX Emily Henson, Hereford, TX Erin Hinds, Amarillo TX Leta Hull, Skellytown, TX Alejandra Mulgado, Clovis, NM Savannah Neis, Lubbock, TX Amaya Rangel, Odessa, TX Kelsey Robbins, Midland, TX Sara Rogalski, Cypress, TX Diego Romero, Amarillo, TX Alli Roth, Fort Worth, TX Natalie Samuels, Monahans, TX Abbie Wade, Missouri City, TX

Flute (Masters Degree)

Mollie Faucheaux, Madisonville LA Emily Henson, Hereford TX, Graduate Assistant

Broderick McQuarters, Tulsa OK Kevin Melendez, Houston, TX

Oboe

Tobin Brooks, Canyon TX Abigail Hite, Carlisle, PA Danny Maldonado, Mesquite, TX Kobe Solis, Lubbock, TX

Clarinet

Sydney Fishburn, Spearman, TX Shawn Frausto, Amarillo,TX Joey Henriquez, Arlington, TX Ethan Hughes, Wichita Falls, TX Grace Lindauer Keller, TX Ashli Sauer, Dumas TX Rachel Stansell, Midland, TX Macy Vincent, Brownfield, TX Gage Winkle, Arlington TX

Clarinet (Masters Degree)
Shelby Easley-McPherson, Canyon, TX,
Graduate Assistant

Bassoon

Meghan Brooks, Canyon, TX Riley Lusk, Lubbock, TX

Saxophone

Marcus Antu, San Antonio, TX
Aaron Erickson, Georgetown, TX
Maxwell Gray, Tomball, TX
Braden Lefevre, Canyon, TX
Zachary Limb, Amarillo, TX
Noah Reneau, Amarillo, TX
Zeke Roberts, Lubbock, TX
Carter Rybarski, Brenham, TX
Emily Shaw, Tomball, TX

Saxophone (Masters Degree) Kathryn Aschoff, David City NE

Trumpet

Chris Barber, Springlake, TX Malik Boyd, Amarillo, TX Tess Homer, Amarillo, TX Mason Lafferty, Amarillo, TX Ashlyn Millican, Lampasas, TX Payne Morris, Odessa, TX Emily Sotelo, Midland, TX Ashton Young, Amarillo, TX

Horn

Julia Allen, Pampa, TX
Brenna Barrow, Monahans, TX
Jenna Gelinas, Roswell, NM
Norrin Hodgson, Odessa, TX
Jorge Lopez, St. Rio Grande City, TX
Carlie Marcotte, Lewisville, TX
Mac Means, Canyon, TX
Olivia Muir, Las Cruces, NM
Gaby Padilla, Amarillo, TX
Landon Proffitt, Andrews, TX
Bailee Rettig, Brenham, TX
Sadie Rivera, St. Augustine, FL
Luke Rodriguez, Midland, TX



Horn (Masters Degree) Luis (Luigi) Bencomo, Amarillo, TX, Graduate Assistant Morgan Hite, Canyon, TX, Graduate Assistant

Trombone

Caleb Aguilar-Skeen, Amarillo, TX Trace Bails, Amarillo, TX Josh Copas, Floresville, TX William Delph, Wasilla, AK James Dewey, Amarillo, TX Allie Gustin Amarillo, TX Caitlyn Hazzard, Little Elm, TX Brayden Hebbel, Amarillo, TX Chris Hillyer, Stinnett, TX Cyrus Jackson, Baytown, TX Corey Nance, Carrollton, TX Nadia Ortega, Stratford, TX Justin Slaughter, Odessa, TX Charles Ware, Amarillo, TX Victoria Wilkinson, Amarillo, TX Abraham Wood, Floresville, TX

Euph

Patrick Lucas, Odessa, TX Anthony Novogradac, Andrews, TX

Tuba

Jacob Mills, Midland, TX Jayce Nixon, Mansfield, TX Chris Perez, Odessa, TX Alex Rivera, Big Spring, TX Ty Solomon, Fritch, TX

Percussion

Noah Bradshaw, Joshua, TX
Jacob Diaz, Amarillo, TX
Hien Doan, Amarillo, TX
Chema Garcia, Memphis, TX
Steven Hilton, Amarillo, TX
Haley Hunter, Monahans, TX
Noah Lopez, Lubbock, TX
Madison Monroe, San Saba, TX
Juan Montoya Buenrostro, Amarillo, TX
Tristan Mouw, Amarillo, TX
Jude Ngo, Canyon, TX
Hannah Romo, Amarillo, TX
Mason Rumsey, Joshua, TX

Color Guard Captains Kayla Kumar-Misir Fl Lago

Kayla Kumar-Misir, El Lago, TX Natalie Zalce, Amarillo, TX

