



# **SJSU Bands Season Calendar 2024-25**

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August TBA

Spartan Marching Band Pre-Season

Rehearsals



Mon. Aug. 19

Ensemble Placement Auditions

***Wind Ensemble***

***Symphonic Band***

MUS 253 and MUS 272

- MUSIC MAJORS: Required
- NON-MUSIC MAJORS: Required to be considered for Wind Ensemble. Optional, but encouraged, for Symphonic Band
- Look for signups on our [LinkTree](#)
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Thurs. Aug. 29

Home Football Game

***Spartan Marching Band***

CEFCU Stadium

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**Sun. Sept. 1**

**Honors Wind Ensemble Applications DUE**

- Directors, look for signups on our [LinkTree](#)
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Sat. Sept. 14

Home Football Game - BAND DAY

***Spartan Marching Band***

CEFCU Stadium

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**Sun. Sept. 29**

## **Honors Wind Ensemble Rehearsal Day**

School of Music Building - San José, CA

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Sat. Oct. 5

Home Football Game

***Spartan Marching Band***

CEFCU Stadium

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**Sun. Oct. 6**

## **Honors Wind Ensemble Dress Rehearsal Day**

School of Music Building - San José, CA

- Directors, look for signups on our [LinkTree](#)
- Follow social media for up-to-date information (available on [LinkTree](#))

**Sun. Oct. 6**

## **CONCERT: Honors Wind Ensemble**

School of Music Building - San José, CA

TIME: 7:30 pm

- Tickets available via SJSU (Check [LinkTree](#))

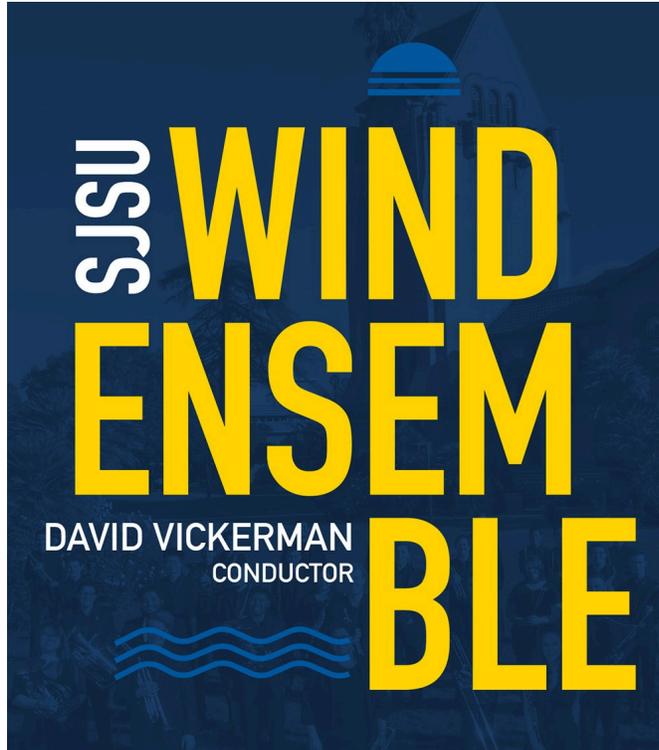
### **DESCRIPTION:**

Come hear some of the most talented local high school musicians in concert as part of the SJSU Honors Wind Ensemble program. Every year, students are nominated and selected for this unique musical opportunity. THE SJSU Honors Wind Ensemble is conducted by SJSU Director of Bands, Dr. David Vickerman

**PROGRAM:** TBD

SJSU Honors Wind Ensemble  
Dr. David Vickerman, conductor

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Thurs. Oct. 10

CONCERT: Music of Anime

***Wind Ensemble***

School of Music Building - San José, CA

TIME: 7:30 pm

- Tickets available via SJSU (Check [LinkTree](#))





**DESCRIPTION:**

Join the SJSU Wind Ensemble, under the baton of Dr. David Vickerman, for an exhilarating journey into the world of anime music! Featuring captivating scores from beloved series and films, including the *One Piece*, *Demon Slayer* and *Attack on Titan*. It will also feature award-winning music from Studio Ghibli classics *Spirited Away* and *Howl's Moving Castle*. Prepare to be transported to fantastical realms through powerful performances that capture the spirit and emotion of these iconic works! Whether you're a dedicated anime fan or new to this exciting genre, this concert promises an unforgettable experience filled with adventure, beauty, and nostalgia!

**PROGRAM:**

*"We Are" from One Piece* by Kohei Tanaka  
*"Cha-La Head Cha-La" from Dragon Ball Z* by Chicho Kiyuka  
*Spirited Away* by Joe Hisaishi, Yumi Kimura  
*"Sadness and Sorrow" from Naruto* by Purojekuto Musashi  
*"Idol" from OshiNoKo* by Ayase  
*Kingdom Hearts from Video Games Live* by Yoko Shimomura  
*Howl's Moving Castle Symphonic Fantasy for Band* by Joe Hisaishi  
*"Ashes on Fire" from Attack on Titan* by Kohta Yamamoto

WORLD PREMIERE of wind band transcription  
by Hector Torres  
*"Gurenge" from Demon Slayer* by Kayoko Kusano

SJSU Wind Ensemble  
Dr. David Vickerman, conductor  
Mark Lee, graduate assistant conductor  
Patricia Danielidis, graduate assistant conductor



**Wed. Oct. 16**

**Be A Music Major for a Day**

School of Music Building - San José, CA

TIME: TB

- Check SOM Website for more info
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**Thurs. Oct. 17**

**CONCERT: Title TBD**

***Symphonic Band***

School of Music Building - San José, CA

TIME: 7:30 pm

- Tickets available via SJSU (Check [LinkTree](#))

**DESCRIPTION:** TBD

**PROGRAM:** TBD

SJSU Symphonic Band

Dr. James Long, conductor

Mark Lee, graduate assistant conductor

Patricia Danielidis, graduate assistant conductor

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Sat. Oct. 19  
Home Football Game  
***Spartan Marching Band***  
CEFCU Stadium

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\*For Basketball Game Days and Times to watch the Spartan Pep Band, check <https://sjsuspartans.com/>



## CMEA BAY SECTION

Promoting the Advancement of Music Education

**Fri. Nov. 15**

### **CONCERT: SJSU Wind Ensemble at CMEA Bay Section Conference**

#### ***Wind Ensemble***

School of Music Building - San José, CA

TIME: TBD

#### **PROGRAM**

*Fanfare Politeia* - Kimberly Archer

Mark Lee, graduate assistant conductor

*Colonial Song* by Percy Grainger

*Howl's Moving Castle Symphonic Fantasy for Band* by

Joe Hisaishi

...and more!

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Sat. Nov. 16  
Home Football Game  
***Spartan Marching Band***  
CEFCU Stadium

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Sat. Nov. 23

Home Football Game

***Spartan Marching Band***

CEFCU Stadium

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Sat. Nov. 30

Home Football Game

***Spartan Marching Band***

CEFCU Stadium



Dec. TBA

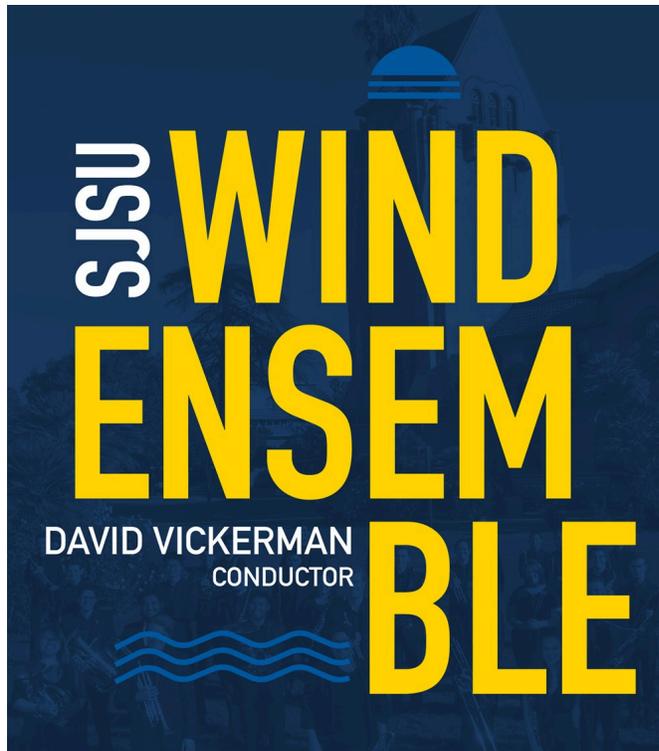
**CONCERT: Spartan Marching Band**

***Spartan Marching Band***

Location: TBD

Time: TBD

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Mon. Dec. 9

CONCERT: River of Time

***Wind Ensemble***

***Symphonic Band***

School of Music Building - San José, CA

TIME: 7:30 pm

- Tickets available via SJSU (Check [LinkTree](#))

**DESCRIPTION:**

Embark on a musical journey through past, present, and future with the SJSU Wind Ensemble and Symphonic Band in a spectacular concert titled “River of Time”. Under the direction of Dr. David Vickerman and Dr. James Long, this event promises an exploration of sonic landscapes, featuring the world premiere of *Streetlamps and Silhouettes* by SJSU alum Alec Schantz. Adding to the evening’s excitement, SJSU’s Professor of Trumpet, John Freeman, will take center stage in David Biedenbender's riveting new trumpet concerto, *River of Time*. Join us for a night

where the currents of time flow seamlessly through evocative melodies and powerful performances.

**SYMPHONIC BAND PROGRAM:** TBD

**WIND ENSEMBLE PROGRAM**

*Fanfare Politeia* - Kimberly Archer

Mark Lee, graduate assistant conductor

*Street Lamps and Silhouettes* - Alec Schantz

WORLD PREMIERE

*Colonial Song* - Percy Grainger

Dr. Andy Collinsworth, guest conductor

*River of Time, Concerto for Trumpet* - David

Biedenbender

Prof. Jonathan Freeman, trumpet

SJSU Wind Ensemble

Dr. David Vickerman, conductor



TBA Jan.

**Ensemble Placement Auditions**

***Wind Ensemble***

***Symphonic Band***

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Sat. Feb. 8

School of Music Auditions

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Sat. Feb. 8

CONCERT: Kaleidoscope

***Wind Ensemble***

***Symphonic Band***

***Pep Band***

Hammer Theater - San José, CA

TIME: TBA

- Tickets available via SJSU (Check [LinkTree](#))

**DESCRIPTION:**

The School of Music Presents: “Kaleidoscope!” Our program features over 350 students and faculty from the School of Music as well as non-music majors. “Kaleidoscope!” is a non-stop, artistically fun-filled music event for all students, faculty, staff, and the larger SJSU community. From jazz to percussion, guitar to musical theater, there's something for everyone at “Kaleidoscope!”

**SJSU WE PROGRAM:**

*Dabke* by Kareem Roustom

SJSU Wind Ensemble

Dr. David Vickerman, conductor



**Sat. Feb. 22**

**School of Music Auditions**

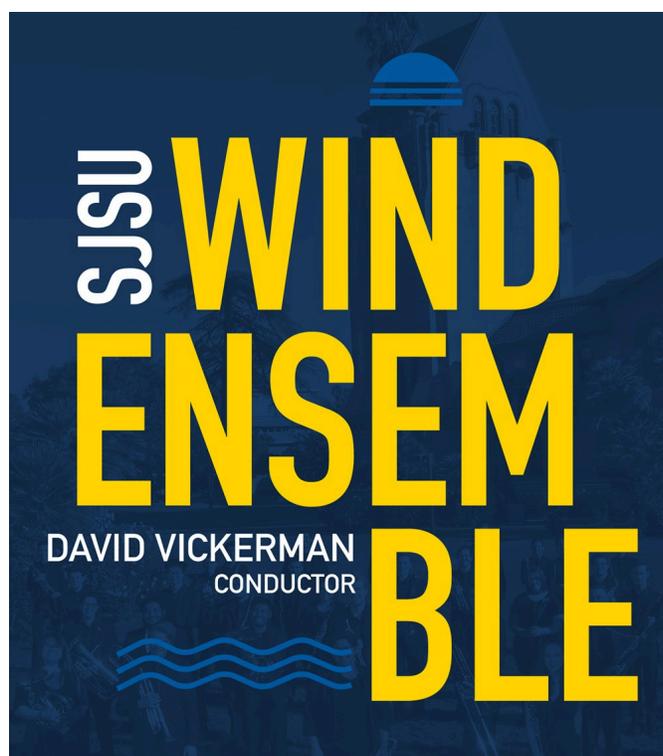


**Sun. Mar. 2**

**School of Music Video Audition**

**Submission Deadline**

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Thurs. Mar. 6

CONCERT: Invisible Lines

**Wind Ensemble**

School of Music Building - San José, CA

7:30pm

- Tickets available via SJSU (Check [LinkTree](#))

**DESCRIPTION:**

Join the SJSU Wind Ensemble, led by Dr. David Vickerman, for “Invisible Lines”, a powerful concert that explores humanity’s enduring conflict over borders and the invisible lines that divide us. This compelling program features *Dabke* by Palestinian composer Kareem Roustom, and also includes David Maslanka’s *Requiem*, a poignant work that reflects on the horrors of the holocaust. Jennifer Jolley’s *March!* was written as a commentary on “dictatorships and backsliding democracies [that] embrace repression, ethno-nationalism, and brutality to thunderous cheers and fanfare”, while Karel Husa’s epic *Music for Prague 1968* serves as a masterful commentary on political oppression and resistance. Through these

thought-provoking works, “Invisible Lines” presents a musical statement on the cost of division and the hope for unity, inviting audiences to reflect on the past and envision a more peaceful future.

**PROGRAM:**

*Dabke* by Kareem Roustom

*Requiem* by David Maslanka

*March!* by Jennifer Jolley

*Music for Prague 1968* by Karel Husa

SJSU Wind Ensemble

Dr. David Vickerman, conductor





Mar. 9-15

## Mountain West Basketball Tournament

Las Vegas, NV

**Spartan Pep Band** will be playing at all Men's and Women's Basketball games

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Thurs. Mar. 20

## CONCERT: SJSU Symphonic Band

### *Symphonic Band*

School of Music Building - San José, CA

7:30pm

- Tickets available via SJSU (Check [LinkTree](#))

### **DESCRIPTION:**

TBD

### **PROGRAM:**

TBD

SJSU Symphonic Band

Dr. James Long, conductor



**Mon. Apr. 14**

**CONCERT: Mark Lee, graduate conducting recital**

***Wind Ensemble***

School of Music Concert Hall - San José, CA

7:30pm

- Tickets available via SJSU (Check [LinkTree](#))

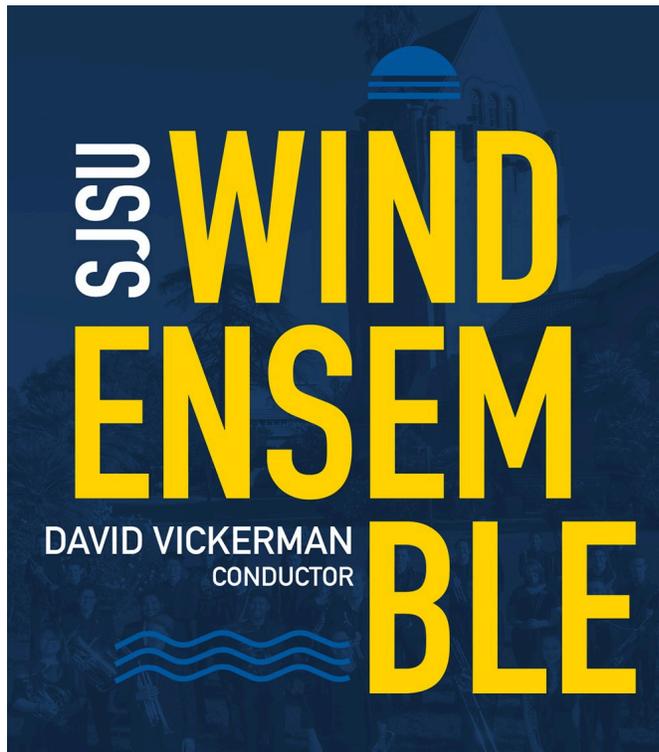
**DESCRIPTION:**

In partial fulfillment of the Master's Degree in Instrumental Conducting, Mark Lee presents this final concert as a culmination of his studies

**PROGRAM: TBD**

SJSU Wind Ensemble

Mark Lee, conductor



Fri. May 2

CONCERT: Bells for Stokowski

***Wind Ensemble***

***Symphonic Band***

School of Music Concert Hall - San José, CA

7:30pm

- Tickets available via SJSU (Check [LinkTree](#))

**DESCRIPTION:**

Concluding our concert season in style, join the SJSU Wind Ensemble under Dr. David Vickerman and the SJSU Symphonic Band under Dr. James Long in “Bells for Stokowski.” This special evening begins with Gabriela Ortiz's *Kauyumari*, a piece inspired by a symbolic spiritual journey of the Huichol culture. The program continues with Howard Hanson's *Chorale and Alleluia*, a standard of the wind band repertoire and Wayne Oquin's *Affirmation*, which presents "a meditation on resilience and hope." Finally, Michael

Daugherty's epic *Bells for Stokowski* serves as a tribute to the iconic conductor, filled with "towering bell sounds" and celebrating Stokowski's transformative impact on orchestral music. This season finale promises an evening of awe and celebration, a fitting close to a year of remarkable performances!

**PROGRAM:**

*TBD*

SJSU Symphonic Band

Dr. James Long, conductor

INTERMISSION

*Kauyumari* by Gabriela Ortiz

*Caccia and Chorale* by Clifton Williams

Patricia Danielidis, graduate assistant  
conductor

*Affirmation* by Wayne Oquin

*Bells for Stokowski* by Michael Daugherty

SJSU Wind Ensemble

Dr. David Vickerman, conductor



Thu. May 22  
School of Music Commencement  
Ceremony

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July 6-11

San Jose Wind Conducting Symposium

**2025 Featured Faculty Artists:**

Cynthia Johnston Turner, David Vickerman and  
Alexandra Beller

