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**Celebrating
Diversity**

Saturday September 29, 2007

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MISSION STATEMENT

- To advocate for the GLBT community by promoting knowledge and understanding through music.
- To provide opportunities for high caliber musical performances for the GLBT community and beyond.
- To provide a welcoming and comfortable musical outlet for GLBT and GLBT-friendly wind, brass and percussion players.
- To support and raise awareness for causes which are important to the GLBT community.

MEMBERSHIP

The Houston Pride Band is open to all brass, woodwind, and percussion players. We welcome musicians of all skill levels. If you are interested in joining us, please give us a call or email us so that we can get your complete contact information and make arrangements to have music ready for you when you arrive.

REHEARSALS

The band rehearses on Wednesday evenings from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. at Resurrection MCC, 2025 West 11th Street.

Easy Ways to Help the Houston Pride Band

DONATE a new or used instrument, sheet music or other band-related items.

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Or JOIN the band as a musician or band aide!



A Message from Our President

Good Evening and welcome to the first concert of the Houston Pride Band's 30th Anniversary season. It's a wonderful time to look back at where we have been, where we are, and where we will go in the future.

Looking Back

Locally, the Houston Pride Band has been an active part of the Houston GLBT community. We have been a staple of the pride parade since 1978 and have performed everywhere from the patio at EJ's to Jones Hall.

As the second oldest gay and lesbian band in the US and a founding member of the Lesbian and Gay Band Association, members of HPB have performed at presidential inaugurations, Gay Games, Marches on Washington, and conferences around the world in such prestigious venues as Liberty Hall in Washington DC and the Hollywood Bowl in California.

A Resurgence

Today, the Houston Pride Band is stronger than ever. Our membership and musicality have been steadily growing - a fact we hope you have noticed! A testament to this can be seen through the growth of our audience and recognition throughout the city. Just this past year, HPB was awarded the Judy Garland Award for outstanding performance in the Houston Pride Parade as well as a generous grant

from the City of Houston through the Houston Arts Alliance.

A Recommitment to our Community

The theme of our 2007-2008 season is Celebration, and what better way to celebrate than to give back to our community! This season, proceeds from each of our three subscription concerts will benefit a different organization.

Our first concert, Celebrating Diversity, features music from a wide range of composers, styles, and time periods. We hope you will enjoy the music that we bring you. This concert's beneficiary is AssistHers, a volunteer organization that provides non-medical home support and care to lesbians with illnesses such as cancer, fibromyalgia, HIV/AIDS and multiple sclerosis. Volunteers work together to provide transportation and care to help clients remain in their own homes.

As an added tribute to Diversity, we have offered community organizations to participate in our after concert reception. We hope you will come to the activity center, have some great refreshments, mingle, and get some important information about the many facets of our community.

Again, thanks for attending tonight. We hope you will join us throughout the year as we celebrate a wonderful 30 years.



About Our Artistic Director

Jason Stephens is a graduate from Lamar University in Beaumont, Texas, where he received a Bachelor of Music in 2003. He studied Conducting with Travis Albany and Dr. Barry Johnson and attended a Conducting Symposium under the direction of Craig Kirchoff. After moving to Houston, he joined the Houston Pride Band as a bassoonist in 2005. He was named Interim Artistic Director in early 2006 and appointed as permanent Artistic Director in November 2006.

Jason works for the Houston Public Library and plans to pursue his Masters degree in Library Sciences from the University of North Texas. He is also the music librarian for the River Oaks Chamber Orchestra and occasionally substitutes in with the Houston Civic Symphony.

Program Notes

Claude Thomas Smith (1932-1987) was a prolific composer, having completed over 110 compositions for band, twelve orchestral works, and fifteen choral pieces. His music was described by one critic as “contemporary romantic.”

One of his most popular works for band is **Emperata Overture**, which was featured at the 1964 Mid-West Band and Orchestra Clinic. Smith is perhaps best known for his rhythmic practice, particularly introducing asymmetrical meters into the band idiom with the 7/8 and oddly subdivided 9/8 measures of **Emperata Overture**.

François-Joseph Gossec (1734-1829) was born in the south of the Netherlands and went to Paris in 1751. His life was greatly influenced by the French Revolution; today he is remembered for the “civic music” he composed, beginning in 1789 – songs, choruses, marches, wind symphonies - all performed outdoors with massed forces of performers.

Gossec was an important developer of the early symphony in France during the time of the revolution, and his **Military Symphony in F** is a perfect example of the early French Symphonic form. He was little

known outside France, and though overshadowed by more famous composers, he was an inspiration to many and powerfully stimulated the revival of instrumental music.

Anne McGinty (b. 1945) is the most prolific woman composer in the field of concert band literature. Her many compositions and arrangements (over 150 titles), all of which have been published, extend from the elementary through the college level with more than 30 of these commissioned from bands in the United States.

'**Tis a Gift** is based on the Shaker melody "Simple Gifts" and is a celebration of life and the eternal spirit of humanity. Lighthearted and joyous, simple yet powerful, this piece is a tribute to the three band members from Montoursville, Pennsylvania, Area High School who tragically lost their lives aboard TWA Flight 800, with the composer's royalties donated to the band's 'Tis A Scholarship Fund for music education.

A descendent of three generations of Italian organists, **Norman Dello Joio** (b. 1913) grew up in New York City surrounded by musicians and music in his home. He began working as a church organist and choirmaster at the age of 12 and later studied at Juilliard, Tanglewood and the Yale School of Music. Besides teaching, he is a prolific composer, with works for chorus, orchestra and band. He won the Pulitzer Prize in 1957 and an Emmy Award for *The Louvre* in 1965.

Scenes from 'The Louvre' is derived from the original score of an NBC television special about the museum that aired in 1964. It covers the period of the museum's development during the Renaissance, with each movement based on themes of Renaissance composers.

Klaus Badelt (b. 1968) is a German composer, best known for composing film scores. He started his musical career composing for many successful movies and commercials in his homeland. In 1998, Oscar-winning film composer Hans Zimmer invited Badelt to work at his studio. While collaborating with Zimmer, Badelt has contributed to the Oscar-nominated scores for *The Thin Red Line* and *The Prince of Egypt*, as well as working on a number of his own film and television projects and writing music for many well known directors.

The music from ***Pirates of the Caribbean: The Curse of the Black Pearl*** was composed in 2003 by Badelt with assistance from Hans Zimmer and a team of 15 composers to in order to finish quickly. This Symphonic Suite arranged by John Wasson compiles the most notable tracks from the movie: *The Medallion Calls*, *The Black Pearl*, *To the Pirate's Cove*, *One Last Shot*, and *He's a Pirate*.

Our Performers

Flute

Tom Perkinson

Oboe

Grant Louvier

Clarinet

Travis Arbing

Ron Louvier

Rudy Martinez

Michael Schirmacher

Kristin Theriot

Bassoon

David DiCamillo

Bass Clarinet

Melissa Thompson

Alto Saxophone

Connie Moore

Kevin Taylor

Tenor Saxophone

Lupe Ybarra

Baritone Saxophone

Lisa Mace

Trumpet

Arthur McGimsey

French Horn

Cary Byrd

Trombone

Trudy Allen

Kiyona Corpening

Noel Freeman

Tuba

Elroy Forbes

Joe Wiese

Percussion

Debbie Hunt

Pam Stephens

Debbie Holmes

Our Volunteers

Nancy Wintle

Georgette Monaghan

Stacy Spitzmueller

Jarrod Theriot

Butch Mayeux

Ken Reagan

Deborah Bradford

Michael Moore

Gary Larson

Lisa Coley

Our Planning Committee

Cary Byrd, Debbie Hunt, Ron Louvier, Art McGimsey, Connie Moore, Jason Stephens, Casey Sherrell, Kevin Taylor, Trudy Allen, Elroy Forbes
A special thanks to Russell Williams for his assistance on the program.

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Emperata Overture by Claude T. Smith

Military Symphony in F by François-Joseph Gossec
edited by Richard Franko Goldman
and Robert L. Leist

I. Allegro Maestoso

II. Larghetto

III. Allegro

'Tis a Gift by Anne McGinty

Intermission

Fanfare, Air, and Finale by Arthur Frackenpohl

Lupe Ybarra Soprano Saxophone, **Kevin Taylor** Alto Saxophone

Melissa Thompson Tenor Saxophone

Lisa Mace Baritone Saxophone

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Scenes from 'The Louvre' by Norman Dello Joio

I. The Portals

II. Children's Gallery

III. The Kings of France

IV. The Nativity Paintings

V. Finale

Pirates of the Caribbean (Symphonic Suite) by Klaus Badelt
arranged by John Wasson

The End

*Please join us in the gymnasium for refreshments and to visit
booths from some of our community organizations.*

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Stonewall Law Association of Greater Houston

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Out at the Opera

The Houston Pride Band is an active member of the Lesbian & Gay Band Association (LGBA), an international musical organization comprised of twenty-eight concert and marching bands from cities across America, Canada and Australia.

Member bands of LGBA have joined forces to perform for events such as the 1993 and 1997 Clinton Inaugural Parades, every March on Washington and at Gay Games Sports & Cultural Festivals around the world.

Ten members of the Houston Pride Band joined 240 other LGBA musicians at Gay Games VII in Chicago last summer. Massed band marching performances included Opening Ceremonies at Soldier Field and Closing Ceremonies at Wrigley Field, and a concert performance at the beautiful Jay Pritzker Pavilion in Millennium Park.

LGBA celebrates its 25th Anniversary during the annual LGBA conference in St. Louis, MO on October 4-7, 2007. Highlights of the four-day conference will be a music and leadership workshops, a concert with St. Louis' BandTogether and an anniversary gala (The Silver Ball) for LGBA members.

For more information about the Lesbian & Gay Band Association, visit their web site at www.gaybands.org.



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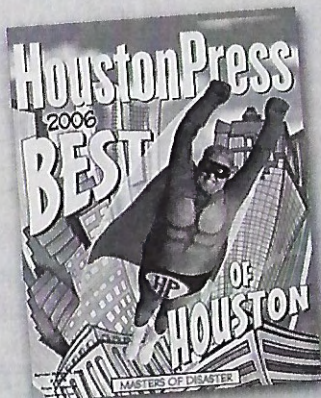
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If you have ANY stories that begin like this, we know you're a band geek! Do you miss the joy of playing your instrument in a group?

The Houston Pride band is actively seeking ALL levels of playing abilities.

Even if you don't have an instrument to play, we may have one in our closet for you to use. (that's about the only thing in our closet!)

Rehearsals are every Wednesday

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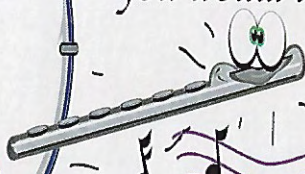
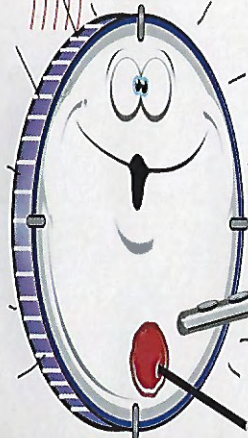
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