

Cereal City Concert Band

Dr. Stephen Wright, Director

10:30 a.m.

Program

Of Honor and Valor Eternal	Ayatey Shabazz
Destined to Fly	William Owens
Summerland	William Grant Still arr. Dane Teter
American Hymnsong Suite Mvt 1. Prelude on "Wondrous Love"	Dwayne S. Milburn
American Hymnsong Suite Mvt 2. Ballad on "Balm in Gilead" ...	arr. Joe Utterback trans. Dwayne S. Milburn
American Hymnsong Suite Mvt 3. Scherzo on "Nettleton" ...	arr. James Brooks Kuykendall trans. Dwayne S. Milburn

History

The Cereal City Concert Band (CCCB) is an all-volunteer, non-profit organization which consists of over 50 members, ranging from the ages of 17 to 82. The ensemble is comprised of musicians from the Battle Creek community and its surrounding areas. Membership is limited by instrumentation needed and by audition. Performances include a combination of both formal concerts and community service events. Throughout the years, CCCB has received funding from many state and local foundations, as well as many businesses and individual donors. We exist thanks to this support. The group was founded in December 1987 by 14 employees from various government agencies within the Battle Creek Federal Center, playing simple Christmas carols at lunchtime. The band grew and became known as *Uncle Sam's Band*.

In July 1992, the band reorganized as a 501(c)3 tax exempt (non-profit) organization, complete with a board of directors and band by-laws, and changed its name to focus on Battle Creek community service events. It was incorporated on September 16, 1992, as a Michigan nonprofit corporation.

The band is under the direction of Dr. Stephen G. White who earned his PhD in Music Education from Florida State University, Master of Music from Northwestern University, and Bachelor of Music from Michigan State University. He currently serves as Director of Music & Organist at St. Thomas Episcopal Church in Battle Creek, MI. He is also an adjudicator/consultant for the Michigan Competing Band Association (MCBA) and Michigan School Band & Orchestra Association (MSBOA) and is a member of the American Guild of Organists, the Association of Anglican Musicians, and the College Music Society.

The purpose of the Cereal City Concert Band is to provide Battle Creek and surrounding communities with quality band musical performances, to further the cultural growth of the community, to enhance the many ongoing activities in the Calhoun County area, to stimulate a continuing interest in instrumental music by offering post-secondary school opportunities for its performing members, and to foster the adult band movement in the Battle Creek area.

For more information, please visit our website at www.cerealcityconcertband.org or email us at cccb@cerealcityconcertband.org.