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2020 BAND-O-RAMA TICKETS NOW ON SALE

KENOSHA, Wis. (Monday, Jan. 13, 2020) – The Kenosha Unified School District's 63rd annual Band-O-Rama will take place at Indian Trail High School and Academy, 6800 60th St., on Saturday, Feb. 1, at 6:30 p.m. and Sunday, Feb. 2, at 1:30 p.m. This event will showcase nearly 1,800 students from KUSD's elementary, middle, high and charter schools.

Tickets are available online at kusd.edu/finearts. All seats are reserved. Patrons can choose between the fieldhouse performance venue for Saturday or Sunday (\$10 for Adults, \$8 for Students/Staff/Seniors), or live-feed video auditorium seating on Saturday night only (\$4 for all). The Saturday performance also will be shown live on Channel 20 and the KUSD YouTube stream. These events traditionally sell out, and tickets cannot be guaranteed at the door.

The year's guest conductor is Dr. John Climer, director of bands at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee. Climer will visit each of the secondary schools on Thursday, Jan. 30, and Friday, Jan. 31, to present clinics and offer feedback to students in preparation for the event. Climer will conduct the both the eighth-grade and high school concerts, while KUSD directors will conduct the remaining middle and elementary groups. Nearly 400 elementary students from more than 20 elementary schools also will merge for this event, which will be the first public performance for the 2019-2020 fifth-grade band members.

Keeping with tradition, the event will open with a mass performance of the "Star Spangled Banner" by all students in grades seven through twelve and will close with a performance of "The Stars and Stripes Forever." Both mass performances will include the presentation of colors and salutes by the KUSD summer band color guards.

Participating directors and their schools are Karl Mueller, Bradford High School; Zachary Hamilton, Harborside Academy; Jeremy Kriedeman, Indian Trail High School and Academy; Kathy Ripley, Tremper High School; Angela Barone, The Brompton School; Katie Poole, Bullen Middle School; Geoff Poole, Dimensions of Learning Academy; Leslie Cook, Kenosha School Technology Enhanced Curriculum; Matt Maccari, Lance Middle School; Randy Rovik, Lincoln Middle School; Michael Monk, Mahone Middle School; Lucas Dickinson, Washington Middle School; and elementary directors Kristie Kruse, Will Obst, Geoff Poole and Brittany Teschler. Scott Plank, coordinator of fine arts, will serve as Master of Ceremonies.

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