



DUBLIN COMMUNITY BANDS

How We Started, Where We Stand, and What We Aspire To

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DUBLIN CORNET BAND, 1879 - 1929



DUBLIN CORNET BAND

1904



July 3, 2010



Also in 2010: 501(c)(3) designation, formation of Board of Directors



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ELEVEN YEARS OLD AND GETTING STRONGER!



First Meeting: June 15, 2010,
12 people

Director: originally Tim Jameson,
now Patrick Herak

Ensemble: Brass Ensemble

Members: 12-15

Format: Invitation

Performances: 9-10 per year,
indoor and outdoor

Audiences: depends on venue

Locations: Dublin Community
Bands Joint Performances
(DSHS), Dublin Irish Festival,
parks, parades, retirement
homes, *opened for Kenny
Loggins on July 3, 2010!*



First Meeting: September 12, 2010
30 people

Director: Tim Jameson

Ensemble: British Brass Band

Members: 32

Format: Invitation/audition

Performances, audiences, locations:
more to come



First Organizational Meeting:
October 15, 2010

First Rehearsal: January 31, 2011,
70 people

Director: Jeff Chesser

Members: >100

Ensemble: Wind/Concert Band

Format: Open to all

Performances: 9-10 per year,
indoor and outdoor

Audiences: typically 300-400

Locations: Self-produced concerts
(DSHS), Dublin Community
Bands Joint Performances
(DSHS), various middle schools,
parks, retirement homes



First Meeting: Existed pre-DCB

Director: Tom Carr

Members: 25

Ensemble: Jazz Band

Format: Invitation

Performances: 15-20 per year,
indoor and outdoor

Audiences: depends on venue

Locations: Emerald City Ballroom,
Dublin Community Bands Joint
Performances (DSHS), various
Dublin schools, parks,
retirement homes



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First Courses: 2012-2013 school year;
16 students

Directors: Diana Herak, Patrick Herak, Bob
Munson, Amy Bliss

Ensemble: British Brass Band

Members: 20-25

Format: Application for seasonal courses.
Middle school and high school aged
students from local schools (DCS focus)

Performances: Joint performances with
Dublin Silver Band; Ohio Brass Arts
Festival

*For the first few years the experience was a
weekend (Thu-Sun) course, twice a year.
Going forward, the intention is to have a six-
month-per year band.*



First Meeting: December 29, 2018;
30 people

Directors: William Ballenger, Kevin Wallick,
Bob Munson

Ensemble: British Brass Band

Members: 30

Format: Open to all (subject to
instrumentation limitations)

Performances: Dublin Festival of Brass;
North American Brass Band Association
(NABBA) Championships

*Inaugural season (2019) was January
through April. 2022 operation intended to be
January through June.*



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DUBLIN SILVER BAND

2019 1ST SECTION NORTH AMERICAN CHAMPIONS AND OBAF CUP CHAMPIONS



2008



2010



2011



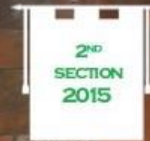
2012



2013



2014



2ND
SECTION
2015



2015



2015



2017



2017



2018



2018



1ST
SECTION
2019



2019



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DUBLIN SILVER BAND

Origin



2008

Dr. Paul Droste and Patrick Herak
Became Dublin Silver Band in 2010

Membership

- 32 (brass band instrumentation)
- By invitation or audition only
- Current members from Dublin, Columbus, Westerville, Hilliard, Lewis Center, Gahanna, Newark, Circleville, Springfield, Yellow Springs, Fairfield.

Performances

Self-produced concerts, Dublin
Community Bands Joint
Performances (DSHS), churches,
concert series (Bellevue, Delphos, Mansfield, Marion, Marysville, Mt. Vernon, Zanesville),
Ohio Brass Arts Festival, Dublin
Festival of Brass.

International performances in
Dublin, Ireland; Bowburn, England;
Gateshead, England; Skegness,
England.

Competition

North American Brass Band Association Championships

First Place (2nd Section): 2015
Third Place (1st Section): 2016
Third Place (1st Section): 2018
First Place (1st Section): 2019 (Current
North American Champions)

U.S. Open Brass Band Championships Chicago, Illinois

First Place: 2015
Second Place: 2011, 2012, 2014, 2018
Most Entertaining Band: 2008, 2010,
2011, 2012, 2014, 2015, 2018
Best Cornet: 2008, 2009
Best Featured Soloist: 2018
Best Percussion Section: 2008, 2010
Best Performance of a March: 2011
Best New Composition or
Arrangement: 2012, 2014, 2016,
2017, 2018

Brass in Concert Gateshead, England

12th Place: 2016

Ohio Brass Arts Festival Columbus, Ohio

OBAF Cup (Champion): 2013, 2017,
2018, 2019

Dublin Festival of Brass Dublin, Ohio

Droste Shield (Champion): 2017
Runner-Up: 2019
Best Soprano Cornet: 2017
Best Horn: 2017, 2019
Best Baritone: 2019
Best Euphonium: 2017, 2019
Best Bass Section: 2018
Best Percussion Section: 2017, 2018

Gateway British Brass Band Festival St. Louis, Missouri

Third Place: 2019
Best Cornet Section: 2019
Best Baritone/Euphonium Section:
2019
Best Trombone Section: 2019

Butlins International Championships Skegness, England

4th Place (1st Section): 2020



IN ONLY ELEVEN YEARS...

- From no community instrumental music organization to thriving, largest-in-Ohio organization
- Six ensembles involving over 250 area residents and providing over 60 free-of-charge performances per year
- Outstanding member engagement and retention, indicating strong culture and member experiences
- Strong reputation for quality of musical performances and strength of parent organization
- Growing youth band and educational outreach programs, including Youth Solo Competition for area middle and high school students
- Annual Dublin Festival of Brass (brass band invitational competition) has drawn participating bands from as far away as Delaware (state) and Chicago, bringing 200+ participants, their families, and audiences to Dublin
- Commissions of compositions which go on to publication and world-wide availability
- International recognition and reputation for the Dublin Silver Band



HOW HAVE WE DONE IT?

People

To get us started: Board of Advisors

Dr. David Guion	Mike Trego	Richard Taylor
Cathy Boring	Dr. Jeff Keller	Mike Collins
Alison LeRoy	Gary Hodges	Jon Waters
Sandra Puskarcik	Frank Willson	Dr. Paul Droste
Gayle Holton	Jack Pigman	Dr. Patrick Herak
Herb Jones	Bill Faust	Jim Rupp
Leona Jones	Jenny Tour	Tim Rettig
Scott Jones	Dave Alspach	Dr. Oliver McGee

To guide us: Our current Board of Directors

Jon Waters, <i>President</i>	Randy Luikart, <i>Treasurer</i>	Steve Hoying
Dr. Patrick Herak, <i>Vice-President</i>	Jeff Chesser	Tim Jameson
	John Draper	Kathryn Liddle
		Mike Lowe
		Steve Vrooman

To sustain us: Our musicians and musical leadership (all are volunteers)

Support

Grants

- Dublin Historical Society and City Bed Tax Bicentennial Fund: Start up
- Dublin Arts Council Annual Grants:
 - Youth Programs – Youth Brass Band, Youth Solo Competition (soloists, clinicians, judges, etc.)
 - Events – guest soloists, Dublin Festival of Brass
 - Commissions of musical compositions
 - Instruments, music, space rental, recording services

Private Donations

Member Dues

Corporate and In-Kind Support

Kroger Community Rewards/Amazon Smile



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CHALLENGES

1. Financial sustainability
2. Publicity and marketing
3. “Home” performance venue
 - Indoors
 - Outdoors
4. Rehearsal/storage facilities
 - Can threaten our existence
 - Virtual meeting with David Guion & Katy Marque (Dublin Arts Council)
 - Exchanged e-mails with Alison LeRoy & Lori Gishel (Dublin Community Events)
 - Next step: include Matt Earman (Director of Parks and Recreation)
 - Some specific possible locations have been discussed.
 - Need a climate-controlled, acoustically treated, secure space about 100’ X 125’



THANK YOU!



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