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## SSW Returns To Rehearsals For Their 2022-2023 Season!

Finally, after a long hiatus due to the COVID19 pandemic, the Sacramento Symphonic Winds is set to resume rehearsals and formal performances for the 2022-2023 season. Much has happened for SSW since March of 2020, when SSW was forced to cancel their spring performance at El Camino High School Center For The Arts.

The ensemble is now under the direction of the new Artistic and Music Director, Dr. Matthew Morse. Dr. Morse comes to SSW with a varied background as a music educator and conductor, and 25 years of experience with United States Army and Military bands. He is also the Director of Bands and Assistant Professor of Conducting in the School of Music at California State University, Sacramento.



Sacramento Symphonic Winds At The 2022 Carmichael Park Band Festival *Photo Courtesy of Musical Images, Sacramento* 

Another change for SSW is a new rehearsal venue at Tim's Music store in Carmichael. The facility at Tim's offers the ensemble a large meeting space, music stands and chairs, convenient parking, and no conflicts for the band's regular Tuesday night rehearsals. With the move to Tim's Music, SSW has initiated a capital campaign to purchase \$27,000 worth of new concert percussion instruments that are required for the music the band rehearses and performs. SSW is seeking donations in any amount to help meet their percussion needs. For information on the capital campaign or to make a donation, please contact SSW Board President, Kevin Glaser, at kzglaser@gmail.com or visit the SSW website at www.sacwinds.org. SSW is a 501c3 nonprofit entity, so all contributions are tax deductible!

SSW performs its formal concerts on Sunday afternoons at 2:30pm. Performances are held at the El Camino High School Center For The Arts in the San Juan Unified School District. El Camino High School is located at 4300 El Camino Avenue. The Center For The Arts is along the Eastern Avenue side of the campus and has convenient free parking, including disabled spaces on both sides of the theatre.

## 2022-2023 SSW Performance Calendar

Sunday, October 9, 2022. 2:30pm at the El Camino High School Center For The Arts Sunday, December 11, 2022. 2:30pm at the El Camino High School Center For The Arts Sunday, March (TBA), 2023. 2:30pm at the El Camino High School Center For The Arts Sunday, May (TBA), 2023. 2:30pm at the El Camino High School Center For The Arts Saturday or Sunday, June 3 or 4, 2023. Time TBA. Carmichael Park Community Band Festival

## MUSICIAN IN THE SPOTLIGHT

Husband and wife team David and Anne Katz have been core members of the Sacramento Symphonic Winds since its inception in 2002. The two met while playing in a brass quintet in college and that's where their relationship began. David and Anne recently celebrated their 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.

Dave and Anne are each outstanding musicians and raise the level of excellence in the ensemble through skills, disciplined practice, dedication to the group, and high degree of professionalism.





Anne Katz – French Horn

David Katz - Tuba

David is a retired family physician who has been playing the tuba for the past 60 years. He enjoys listening to nearly all types of music, including classical, Latin, Broadway, jazz, and folk. He also enjoys performing in wind ensembles and brass chamber groups. David feels, "There is a special benefit in the joy of making beautiful sounds together with a community of inspired fellow musicians."

Anne is a retired math instructor and has been playing French Horn since high school. She enjoys both listening to and playing all types of music and participates in several small ensembles locally as well as the Sacramento Symphonic Winds. She says "Besides the musical performance itself I greatly enjoy the social and artistic camaraderie of the group. Together we create something much more than we can individually."

## **SSW Percussion Capital Campaign**

Since its founding in 2002, SSW has rehearsed at various public school music rooms. The larger percussion instruments that are essential to the music SSW rehearses and performs was acquired through borrowing or renting.

SSW is now faced with purchasing their own concert percussion equipment, including timpani, mallet instruments, cymbals, and various drums. The total cost for the needed equipment is \$27,000.

A "Capital Campaign" has been established to raise funds for this tremendous endeavor and SSW is actively seeking donations in any amount to support the campaign. If you would like more information about the campaign and the instruments SSW is in need of, please contact SSW Board President, Kevin Glaser at <u>kzglaser@gmail.com</u> Donations can be made by credit card via the SSW website (<u>www.sacwinds.org</u>) under the link "Contact Us". Donations may also be mailed to the Sacramento Symphonic Winds at PO Box 1503, Carmichael, CA 95609. All donations are tax deductable!



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