

# 2025 NYSBDA Symposium Schedule

## Building Community Through Band

### DoubleTree Carrier Circle, Syracuse, New York

#### Friday, March 7, 2025

10:00 a.m.	Registration OPENS
10:30-11:30	<i>Clinic Session TBD</i>
12:00-1:00 p.m.	<i>Score Study vs Rehearsal Plan</i> , Mike Struzik, clinician
1:00-5:00 p.m.	NYSSMA Manual on Display
1:15 -2:15 p.m.	<i>Using Sign Language in Band</i> , Amy Hoxie, clinician
2:30-3:30 p.m.	<i>Jazz for the Students in the Room</i> , Dan Shaut, clinician
3:45-4:45 p.m.	<i>Restorative Practices in Schools and Our Music Classrooms</i> , Mr. Zachary Arenz, clinician
5:00-6:00 p.m.	<i>What Does That Thing Do? Handy Repair Tools for the Band Room and How to Use Them</i> , Mr. Miles DeCastro, clinician
6:00p.m.	Dinner Break
6:00-8:00 p.m.	Executive Board Dinner
8:00 p.m.	Concert Hour- <i>Binghamton University Harpur Jazz Ensemble</i> , Mr. Greg Evans, conductor

#### Saturday, March 8, 2025

7:30 a.m.	Registration- Lobby
8:00-5:00 p.m	NYSSMA Manual on Display
8:00- 9:00 a.m.	<i>Clinic Session TBD</i>
9:15- 10:15 a.m	<i>The Keys to Unlocking Your Brass Chops</i> , Allyson Keyser, clinician
10:30-11:30 a.m.	<i>Performance Session, Building an Ensemble Culture of Joy</i> , <i>Syracuse Youth Wind Symphony</i> , Ms. Erin Althen & Mr. Greg Borsz

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#### **Saturday, March 8, 2025** *continued*

- 11:30-12:30 p.m.      **LUNCH BREAK**
- 12:30-1:30 p.m.      ***Back and Forth: Rhythm and Pulse through Movement,***  
Emma Gierszal, clinician
- 1:35-1:50 p.m.      **NYSBDA General Membership Meeting**
- 2:00-3:00 p.m.      **Conference Keynote Speaker-** Mr. Zachary Arenz,  
***Passion in Education: The Power That Music Brings to our Schools***
- 3:15-4:15 p.m.      ***Middle School Band:It's Not Rocket Science...Or is it?,*** Kris Gilbert, clinician
- 4:30-5:30 p.m.      **Middle School Honor Band Concert,** Ms. Erin Cole Steele
- 5:30-6:30 p.m.      ***NYSBDA at the Collegiate Level, Teaching Through the Years,***  
Aidan Carney, clinician
- 8:00 p.m.              **Concert Hour- *Southern Tier Concert Band-***  
Mr. Robin Linaberry and Mr. Barry Peters, conductors

#### **Sunday, March 9, 2025**

- 9:00-10:15 a.m.      **Conducting Clinic,** Dr. Rodney Winther
- 10:30-11:45 a.m      **Interview with a Legend-** Dr. Andrew Pease, clinician
- 12:00 p.m.              **High School Honor Jazz Band Concert,** Mr. Steven Wilson, Conductor
- 1:00 p.m.                **High School Honor Band Concert,** Mr. James Dragovich, Conductor