

KU BANDS

The University of Kansas

Wind Ensemble

Matt Smith, conductor

Josie Jones, guest conductor

Esteban Batallán, trumpet

SONSAX

Javier Valerio, soprano saxophone

Harold Guillén, alto saxophone

Arturo Castro, tenor saxophone

Pablo Sandi, baritone saxophone

Manrique Méndez, percussion

November 18, 2025, 7:30 p.m.

Lied Center of Kansas

Program

Suite for Saxophone Quartet (2012)

Nelson Ramírez Díaz (b. 1982)

I. Allegro (Allemande – Bolero chá)

II. Lento (Courante – Tambito)

III. Scherzo (Sarabanda – Guanguancó)

IV. Danza (Gigue – Merengue)

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Arturo Castro, tenor saxophone; Pablo Sandi, baritone saxophone;

Manrique Méndez, percussion

Intermission

Splinter (2019)

Holly Harrison (b. 1988)

Josie Jones, guest conductor

Concerto for Trumpet (1950/1990)

Alexander Arutiunian (1920-2012)

trans. Guy M. Duker

Esteban Batallán, trumpet

Bob and Becky Foster Trumpet Artist in Residence



Program Notes

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Flute

Abigail Short *Greenwood, AR*
 Peder Thomas *Shawnee, KS*
 To-Yao Hsu, picc *Kaohsiung, Taiwan*
 Kayleigh Churchett *Austin, TX*
 Elena Straus *Overland Park, KS*
 Kathryn Pittman *Manhattan, KS*

Oboe

Chelsea Kanicsar *Knoxville, KS*
 Larissa Coughlin *Olathe, KS*
 Alec Black, Eng horn *Bonne Terre, MO*

Bassoon

Luke Frith *Columbia, MO*
 Jordan Kitch *Colorado Springs, CO*

Clarinet

Elliott Koger *Lawrence, KS*
 Luke Rogers *Lawrence, KS*
 Taewon Choi *Seoul, South Korea*
 Addison Bond *Spring Hill, KS*
 Kate Crisler, E-flat *Wichita, KS*
 Liam Ellis *Perry, KS*
 Sydney Watson, bass *Olathe, KS*
 Ceci Eversole *Monument, CO*

Saxophone

Dylan Matheny *Tulsa, OK*
 Mattie Atkins, tenor *Basehor, KS*
 Gentry Gardner *Shawnee, KS*
 Ethan Gaul, bari *Kansas City, MO*

Trumpet

Armando Gutierrez *Rogers, AR*
 Keith Popiel *Lawrence, KS*
 Zach Church *Lee's Summit, MO*
 Cole Bichelmeyer *Lenexa, KS*
 D Snyder *Wichita, KS*
 Roy Rivera *Kansas City, KS*

Horn

Casey Chlappek *Liberty, MO*
 Brooklynne McGonagle *Melbourne, FL*
 Liam Courson *Olathe, KS*
 Zachary Nicholas *Leawood, KS*
 Mallory Rogers *Tonganoxie, KS*

Trombone

Brent Mead *Olathe, KS*
 Aidan Hamer *Lenexa, KS*
 Kate Lockhart *Overland Park, KS*
 Maddie Lauffer *Olathe, KS*
 José Arrieta-Renteria, bass *Salina, KS*

Euphonium

Jess Payne *North Olmsted, OH*
 Jack Stutler *Lawrence, KS*

Tuba

Josh Westcott *Binghamton, NY*
 Douglas Olenik *Creston, OH*
 Adrian Gutierrez Jr. *Miami, FL*

Percussion

Isaiah Sterling *Leavenworth, KS*
 Ryne Poindexter *Overland Park, KS*
 Ben Willems *Lawrence, KS*
 Alan Villarreal Wong *Chiapas, Mexico*
 Wilson Geiler *Omaha, NE*
 Simone Ross *Tulsa, OK*
 Tom Corbridge *Lawrence, KS*

String Bass

Noah Tucker *Lenexa, KS*

Harp

Emory Thurmond *Lee's Summit, MO*

Graduate Conducting Assistants

Eric Tinkler *Rose Hill, KS*
 Jesse Deese *Keokuk, IA*

Upcoming KU Band Events

Symphonic Band & University Band
 November 20, 7:30 p.m.
 Lied Center of Kansas

Jazz Ensembles I, II, III
 November 21, 7:30 p.m.
 Lied Center of Kansas

Wind Ensemble,
 Crossroads Wind Symphony,
 & Prairie Winds Festival Band
 February 7, 7:30 p.m.
 Lied Center of Kansas

Wind Ensemble & Wind Symphony
 February 19, 7:30 p.m.
 Lied Center of Kansas

Wind Ensemble @ KMEA
 February 26, 8:00 p.m.
 Century II Concert Hall, Wichita

Symphonic Band & University Band
 March 9, 7:30 p.m.
 Lied Center of Kansas

Wind Symphony
 March 25, 7:30 p.m.
 Swarthout Recital Hall

Wind Ensemble
 April 9, 7:30 p.m.
 Lied Center of Kansas

Wind Symphony & Symphonic Band
 April 27, 7:30 p.m.
 Lied Center of Kansas

Wind Ensemble
 April 29, 7:30 p.m.
 Lied Center of Kansas

University Band &
 Jazz Ensembles II & III
 May 6, 7:30 p.m.
 Lied Center of Kansas