



Season Program
2010-2011

ZINA RICHARDSON
Music Director/Conductor, Boulder Concert Band

Zina Richardson, Founder and Conductor of the Denver Pops Orchestra (also known as the Mostly Strauss Orchestra), has been directing community orchestra programs in the Denver area for over thirty years. Much in demand as a conductor, clinician, performer, and adjudicator, she holds a Bachelor of Music Education from the University of Tulsa and a Master of Music Education with



emphasis on conducting from the University of Colorado. She recently retired from teaching music in the Boulder Valley School District, where she served as Supervisor of the Instrumental Music Council for six years. While her primary expertise is in instrumental music, her interests have led her to teach chorus and classical guitar as well. She has studied with such great conductors as Antonia Brico, Brian Priestman, Elizabeth Green, Jonathan Ebersole, and Alan McMurray. She has served as Music Director and Conductor of the Rocky Mountain Symphony (Lakewood Symphony), Associate Conductor of

the Brico Symphony (Denver Philharmonic), the Aurora Symphony, the Littleton Chorale, and has been guest conductor for many other groups including the Timberline Orchestra, Boulder Concert Band, Great River Symphony of Wisconsin, the American Symphony Orchestra, as well as many Honor Bands and Orchestras throughout Colorado. She has been active with the Colorado Music Educators as an adjudicator and has led many sessions at the annual CMEA convention, and annually directs the reading session for new orchestra music. She is a member of the Conductors Guild, American Symphony Orchestra League, SAI Alumnae and Phi Beta Mu, Honorary Band Directors Fraternity.



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THE BOULDER CONCERT BAND

Celebrating more than thirty seasons, the Boulder Concert Band has a glorious tradition. The first records of a performing band in the city of Boulder date back to 1870. Known as the ICC Silver Cornet Band, the group performed weekly concerts in the pioneer town of Boulder. In the spring of 1897 a larger ensemble, the Boulder Citizen's Band, was formed. This group was said to be the best of its type in Colorado. Several decades later, the Boulder Municipal Band became the first to include women musicians.

The Boulder Concert Band as we know it today was reorganized in 1978 by the late Hugh McMillen, former Director of Bands at the University of Colorado. Considered to be one of the premier adult community bands in the state, the current organization comprises more than 70 volunteer musicians. Its members are from the business, professional and educational communities of the Boulder and Denver metro areas.

The band was featured at the 2006 American School Band Directors Association annual convention in Colorado Springs, and at the 2003 Colorado Music Education Association convention.

The BCB provides our community with outstanding performances of traditional and new concert literature. During our indoor season audiences enjoy some of the classics of the concert band repertoire along with contributions from a variety of guest artists. On Monday nights during our summer season, we offer lighter fare suitable for family gatherings in Boulder's beautiful city parks. The Band's performances enrich the cultural experience of the audience and the musicians. We welcome you to today's program and hope you enjoy our performance.



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HISTORY OF THE BOULDER CONCERT BAND

- 1876 The "ICC Silver Cornet Band" is shown in a photograph taken by the *Daily Camera* of eight musicians on a wagon drawn by two oxen.
- 1898 The name "Boulder Citizen's Band" was first used.
- 1899-1919 The band was directed by Bill Swarts.
- 1919-1922 The band was directed by George Oles.
- 1922-1927 The band was directed by Eliesio Jacoe, an Italian trained conductor. This is the first conductor of record with training.
- 1928-1933 Horace Jones is the director.
- 1933-1935 Oles returns as director.
- 1936-1956 Hugh McMillen, Professor of Music at C.U. Boulder, conducted the band. Adults were paid \$2 per concert, university students 50¢, and high school students 25¢.
- 1939 The name was changed to "The Boulder Band."
- 1956 The band was discontinued due to "unruly" audiences and lack of financial support.
- 1978-1986 The "Boulder Concert Band" is reorganized by McMillen with enough support to enable the band to continue. During these years the band gave four concerts October to May, and four concerts in the summer. The name has remained unchanged since 1978. Since 1978, the band members receive no compensation.
- 1986-1991 Dick Culver became the conductor.
- 1992-1994 Cynthia Hutton is the conductor.
- 1994-1998 Thomas Caneva is the conductor. He was the Assistant Director of Bands at the University of Colorado.
- 1999-2000 Nathaniel Johnson is the conductor.
- 2000-2006 Brian Hopwood is the conductor.
- 2006-2009 Randall Coleman is the conductor.
- 2009 Zina Richardson is appointed Music Director and Conductor of the Boulder Concert Band.

Today the Boulder Concert Band presents four to six concerts from October to May. In the summer, we play eight concerts in various Boulder parks and in Louisville on the 4th of July and a special concert at the Frasier Meadows Manor Health Care Center. During the summer series we invite talented high school students to join the band. Today each band member is required to pay dues of \$60 per year.

Several of our musicians go into the public schools to present clinics, work with individual students, and help the music teacher in any way we can. We wish to expand this outreach program in the coming years. We have begun a Young Artist Competition, possibly the only one of its kind in the country: university conducting majors from around the state present an audition; the selected student performs as a guest conductor with the band and receives a cash prize.

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