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Not a day has gone by in the past 14 months that we haven't thought about you--brass fans extraordinaire, our family members who have made all things possible over our glorious 40-year history. We've taken great solace in the knowledge that you've been thinking of us too, cheering us on during livestream concerts, donating tickets from the spring of 2020, and providing critical financial support in the face of impossibly restrictive conditions. We've gone into each virtual concert envisioning your smiling faces before us, and we've counted the days until that vision becomes a reality. The time has finally come, and we pray it's all blue skies from here. If you're here in person, thank you for lighting up our lives! And if you're waiting a bit longer to take the exciting plunge into "Feeling the Sound," we promise you great rewards when that day comes!

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The success of any organization is dependent upon a group of believers who are willing to contribute their skills, visions, and observations in such a manner as to propel the organization toward continued growth, development, and excellence. The following persons have had such an impact on Denver Brass and have been named to the Denver Brass Hall of Fame.  
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The Denver Brass Presents

# A TIME OF REMEMBRANCE

with **Alan Hood - Trumpet** and **Steven Taylor - Baritone**

May 27 – 7:00PM

Bethany Lutheran Church

*Program will be chosen from:*

**America the Beautiful** Samuel Ward (1847-1903)  
*A gift from Doug & Maureen Miller* arr. Kaitlin McCarthy

**They Gave All** Andrew Wolfe (b. 1977)  
*Commissioned for the Opening of the  
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**The Impossible Dream from *Man of La Mancha*** Mitch Leigh & Joe Darion  
*A gift from the National Western Stock Show* arr. Kaitlin McCarthy

**Boogie Woogie Bugle Boy** H. Prince (1906–1960) & D. Raye (1909-1985)  
*A gift from Carl Finley* arr. Jack Fredericksen

**Tears in Heaven** Eric Clapton & Will Jennings  
*A gift from Matthew and Janet Walworth  
in Memory of Martin Walworth* arr. Kaitlin McCarthy

**Round Midnight** Thelonious Monk (1917-1982)  
arr. Veigar Margeirsson

**Armed Forces Medley** arr. TSGT KF Soper  
arr. Jeremy Van Hoy

**The Stars & Stripes Forever** John Phillip Sousa (1854-1932)  
arr. Kenneth Singleton

**Hope in Perilous Times** Andrew Wolfe (b. 1977)  
*A gift from the Max DiJulio Fund*

**What a Wonderful World** George David Weiss & Bob Thiele  
*A gift from the Max DiJulio Fund* arr. Jack Fredericksen

**Bugler's Holiday** Leroy Anderson (1908-1975)  
*A gift from Steve G. Morton* arr. Jeremy Van Hoy

**Golden Dream** R. Moline (1889-1979) & R. Bright (1938-1990)  
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**Sing, Sing, Sing!** Prima (1910-1978) & Mundy (1907-1983)  
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**Virtual concert will be available on YouTube until  
June 3, 2021 before being archived.**

# “IT IS BETTER TO LIGHT A CANDLE THAN CURSE THE DARKNESS.”

- Eleanor Roosevelt

This evening's candles are lit in tribute of loved ones, lost and living, so that we may all honor and remember the light they carry in our lives. This Memorial Day, we aim to honor those on the front lines of the pandemic as well as the armed forces. Our communities have been both mourning and healing in the wake of the last year. We present these names and candles in loving tribute to those forever in our hearts.

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The Denver Brass, presenting brass music of national and international renown, was formed in 1981 by Kathleen and Charles Brantigan. The organization was built on a vision of a one-of-a-kind professional chamber ensemble that would be at the forefront of brass performance, entertainment, original commissions, education, and community service.

Unique in the world, Denver Brass has set itself apart through its sound, original repertoire, and state-of-the-art multi-cultural show productions.

The elements of The Brass' trademark sound include more than 13 distinct instruments—including an array of rarely-used trumpets in various pitches—and the exceptional technical and expressive expertise of some of the nation's finest brass musicians. Together they produce a rainbow of timbre: not a band, not an orchestra, but an entirely new phenomenon. Exploration of fusions of music from diverse cultures and electronic and digital technology is central to groundbreaking artistic development. Today's Denver Brass is heard live by more than 40,000 persons at more than 130 season series, community, and educational events annually, as well as on popular social media platforms and 30+ acclaimed recordings.

## PROGRAM NOTES

### Hope in Perilous Times - WORLD PREMIERE

*A Gift from the Max DiJulio Fund*

The Denver Brass commissioned bass trombonist Andrew Wolfe to write a new work that would address the emotional impact of the COVID-19 pandemic. The result, *Hope in Perilous Times*, is a reflective, moving piece that takes the listener through the emotional cycle many of us felt during this period of time. From initial mystery, to ominous menace, on to anxiety, sorrow and grief, Andy captures the undulating sentiments of precarious times. The piece builds and builds, leading to what can be described as a sense of relief before launching into a reflective end, filled with hope, joy, and remembrance. Andy comments that "the music can mean something different to each person," a reflection of the fact that we all find ourselves with entirely different reactions to the pandemic and how we are all, ultimately, working to rediscover hope and joy at the end of this perilous time.

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## MEET OUR GUEST ARTISTS



### ALAN HOOD - TRUMPET

Alan Hood is one of today's most prominent trumpet performers and educators. He has served as Professor of Trumpet at the Lamont School of Music and performed with the Denver Brass since 1999. He is one of the rare trumpeters who is equally at home in both classical and jazz performance. Alan hails from upstate New York. He attended the University of Kentucky as an undergraduate, North Illinois and the University of Texas at Austin as a graduate student, and the University of Miami as a doctoral student. He has studied with many inspirational and highly regarded teachers including Vince DiMartino, Ron Modell, Ray Crisara and Gil Johnson. He has also performed with world-renowned musicians including Woody Herman, Glenn Miller, Harry James, Ray Charles, Natalie Cole, Manhattan Transfer, Arturo Sandoval and Wynton Marsalis, to name just a few. Alan has recorded extensively over his career, appearing on more than 50 albums, and it was his first solo CD release, *Just a Little Taste*, where he found his own voice in the world of trumpet virtuosos.



### STEVEN TAYLOR - BARITONE

Steven Taylor is known to audiences throughout the Rocky Mountain region both for his beautiful, expressive singing and his dramatic interpretations. His versatile singing career ranges from opera and oratorio to musical theatre, gospel, and Jazz. He has appeared onstage with Central City Opera, Opera Theatre of the Rockies, Boulder's Dinner Theatre, and Opera Colorado, and in concert with major symphonies and choral organizations throughout the west, including two soloist performances in Carnegie Hall. As a member of the internationally acclaimed Gospel Quartet LEGACY, Steven has performed concert tours in Australia, Canada, Cuba and South Korea. Often sought after as a teaching artist and narrator, Steven currently serves as Dean of the School of Music at Colorado Christian University.

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**Warren Deck, conductor** – Warren has had a long and illustrious career in music performance, education, instrument development, and recording production. The recipient of the International Tuba and Euphonium

Association's Lifetime Achievement Award, he served as Principal Tubist of the New York Philharmonic for 23 years. Warren made his solo debut with the New York Philharmonic performing the world premiere of Roger Kellaway's *Songs of Ascent* for Tuba and Orchestra, commissioned by the Philharmonic for Warren and conducted by Zubin Mehta. He has made numerous orchestral recordings under the leadership of such conductors as Leonard Bernstein, Zubin Mehta, and Kurt Masur and in addition, made four recordings with The Canadian Brass. Warren collaborated with the Meini Weston Company of Germany on three models of tubas that are currently being sold. He works as a tonemeister/producer for both solo and ensemble recordings in a wide variety of genres and has traveled as a clinician throughout the world. Warren teaches at the University of Denver's Lamont School of Music and the Aspen Music Festival.



**David Artley, trumpet** – Formerly a member and soloist of the United States Army Field Band and later the United States Army Band, "Pershing's Own,"

David has performed live for 7 former U.S. Presidents. You may also have unknowingly seen and heard David at the White House or one of many major United States ceremonies as a member of the U.S. Army Herald Trumpets. In 2014, David brought his talents to the Denver Brass where he now sits in front of 7 different pitched trumpets that give the Denver Brass its unique one-of-a-kind sound. David is passionate about writing, reading, photography and history. He can be found hiking, scuba diving, and/or maintaining the family farm in Iowa, owned by his family since 1877, with his wife Andrea and daughters Sophia and Elisabeth.



**Tim Allums, trumpet** – Tim Allums comes to the Denver Brass from many years of service to his country with the United States Air Force as a member of the U.S. Air Force Academy Band, where he was a member of the famed "Stellar

Brass." Formally trained in music and trumpet performance at the University of Oregon, Tim is a born entertainer. He also performed in the Air Force Academy concert band and renowned "Falconaires" jazz band. Equally at home in all genres of music, Tim has performed with rock and salsa bands as well as symphony orchestras, and now, The Denver Brass. Tim can be found woodworking, deck building, and at the gym. He spends his time with his wife Melanie, son Matthew, dogs Max and Bella, and goldfish, Bubbles.



**Sam Oatts, trumpet** – A seasoned professional, Sam is currently teaching and completing his Doctoral degree at Arizona State University. A Broadway show musician for more than 15 years, Sam has

performed in over 40 countries and 49 of our 50 states. Few people know that in the 90s, Sam played punk rock bass and was a solo vocalist and songwriter under the name "Hudson Hank"! Sam tied the knot this past August with bride Caity. Their family includes cats Sammy Jr and Frank (after Davis Jr and Sinatra; the "Cat" Pack).



**Susan McCullough, horn** – Susan has been playing horn with the Denver Brass since its first concert in 1981. Her formal training began at Emporia State University after which she served our nation as a member

of the U.S. Air Force Academy Band. Susan is the number one freelance horn player in the region. She's played with the Colorado Springs Philharmonic, Inside the Orchestra, Colorado Opera Festival, Denver Center for the Performing Arts, and has toured the U.S. and Japan with the Aries Brass Quintet. When not playing horn, Susan's husband, children and grandchildren occupy most of her free time. Her son Jesse is also a professional horn player in the Cleveland Orchestra.





**Lauren Varley, horn** – Lauren Varley, a native of Pennsylvania, received her B.M. from Boyer College of music at Temple University and M.M. from San Francisco Conservatory of music. Previously, she performed professionally throughout the

country with memorable performances at the Hollywood Bowl and with the San Francisco Symphony. She is currently a member of the Fresno Philharmonic in California, Greeley Philharmonic, Ft. Collins Symphony and Opera Colorado, and has performed with other local ensembles including Boulder Philharmonic, Colorado Springs Philharmonic and the Colorado Ballet. Lauren lives in Colorado with her husband, Jubal Fulks, and three sons and daughter. Lauren loves spending as much time in the mountains with her crew of boys and spends a great amount of time advocating for disability awareness.



**Joseph Martin, trombone** – Joe has performed with Aries Brass Quintet and Denver Brass since 1991. Joe hails from northern California where he received his B.M. degree in trombone and euphonium performance

from California State University, Northridge. He received his M.M. and D.A. degrees from University of Northern Colorado, and he is Associate Professor at the Lamont School of Music, University of Denver, where he conducts the Lamont Wind Ensemble. A highly sought after freelance player, Joe has played with every major ensemble and venue in the region. As a member of the Aries Brass Quintet, Joe has traveled throughout the world on concert tours. Joe and his wife Lisa, have two beautiful daughters, Chloe and Gracie, and two dogs, Sophie and Jesper. Joe is an avid runner competes in triathlons during the summers.



**Jeff Craig, trombone** – A Colorado native, Jeff attended Mesa State, Colorado State University, University of Denver and University of Colorado. He is a very active freelance trombonist, and in addition

to being a prominent member of the Denver Brass, performs regularly with Central City Opera, Inside the Orchestra, Apollo Chamber Brass, and Colorado Springs Philharmonic, as

well as a former member of the Fort Collins Symphony and Cheyenne Symphony. Jeff serves as Director of Publications and Librarian of the Denver Brass. Jeff has a great love for woodworking. He and his wife, Heidi, became famous when they were chosen to appear on “Wheel of Fortune,” where they won a beach vacation.



**Andy Wolfe, trombone** – A virtuoso on both tenor and bass trombones, Andy is best known for playing the bass trombone as both an ensemble member and soloist for Denver Brass. Also a Colorado native, Andy received

his B.M. and M.M. degrees from the University of Northern Colorado, where he studied with Buddy Baker and Nat Wickham. Andy has arranged over 50 pieces and composed over 15 original compositions for Denver Brass. Andy enjoys swimming and hiking. The love of his life is his wife, Jennie, and their six children, Sam, Mia, Ali, Weston, Grace and Chris.



**Michael Dunn, tuba** – Mike received his training at Tennessee Tech University and Arizona State University. His expertise has been shaped by years of performing with the Maryland Symphony Orchestra,

the United States Marine Band, Dallas Brass and Fortress Brass. Professor of Tuba at the University of Colorado, a little known fact about Mike is that on the side, he is Batman! We don't know the full story yet, but it is sure to be revealed soon. Stay tuned! Outside of the tuba, Mike's life revolves around his wife Jennifer and their three daughters. He's also an avid backpacker and hiker- good for the lung power!



**Emanuel Jester III, tuba** – Originally from Orlando, FL, Emanuel Jester III attended the University of South Florida. His primary teachers include Jay Hunsberger, Willie Clark, and Gail Robertson. He has

performed with numerous groups at Walt Disney in Florida & California, The Florida Orchestra, San Antonio Symphony, and The US Air Force Academy Band. In his spare time, Emanuel can be found training for his next triathlon, cooking, or spending time with his family.



**Jason Rodon, percussion**

– Jason completed his undergraduate with Pavel Burda at University of Wisconsin – Milwaukee, and his graduate degree at the University of Denver, Lamont School of

Music with percussion teacher John Kinzie. Jason has kept the beat for the Denver Brass since 1998. He is also a longtime member of the contemporary music ensemble, The Playground. Jason has his own woodworking construction company in Breckenridge, along with several interesting avocations including remote airplane flying, handmade drone building/flying and teaching yoga at his own studio. You can find Jason biking, skiing and skateboarding after which he retreats to his wood-fired sauna. Sanity comes from his wife Leslie, and his cats, Little Man and Herman.

**Harold Summey, percussion** – The Denver Brass welcomes Harold!

personality. Chuck Brantigan is her tuba mate in the Denver Brass as well as marriage. Outside her love of music, Kathy loves Victorian houses, narrow gauge steam trains, skiing, traveling, partying, her four sons, daughters-in-law, and grandchildren!

**Becky Wilkins, Executive Director** - Becky joined the Denver Brass team in 2010 and was appointed Executive Director in 2015. In 2012, she was selected Conference Director of the prestigious

international Rafael Méndez Brass Institute. Becky holds an MBA with specialization in Sports & Entertainment Management from the University of Colorado Denver, and an undergraduate degree from the University of Denver's Lamont School of Music, with minors in business and leadership studies. Becky is proud to be contributing to the growth and development of music and the arts in the Denver-metro region. She lives in Georgetown with her husband, Scott, and spends the little free time she has skiing, biking, quilting and practicing her horn and hammered dulcimer.

**Kelly Rigolini, Public & Patron Relations Director** - Kelly is excited to join Denver Brass. She has spent the past few years working in marketing, digital media, and communications for nonprofits. In those roles she reported on human rights issues, promoted arts education, and helped send medical supplies to vulnerable populations all over the world. She earned an MBA from Hult International Business School and a BA in International Studies and French Studies from American University. Throughout her life Kelly has studied dance, drama, and music and has experience as a teacher and choreographer. She enjoys playing her violin and double second steel drum when she has time. Kelly lives in Centennial with her husband Chris, son Rory, and dog Lucy.

**Kathy Brantigan, Artistic Director**

- Founder, tubist and fearless leader of Denver Brass, Kathy is a pioneer in the world of professional female tubists and an early soloist at the International Women's Brass

Conference. University of Michigan graduate, Kathy has single-handedly revolutionized the concept of brass ensembles in the 21st century. Under her leadership, Denver Brass has commissioned over 900 original compositions and arrangements for the ensemble's unique instrumentation. As a tubist, Kathy performed with the Central City Opera, Colorado Ballet, The King's Brass, Aries Brass Quintet and Hudson Valley Philharmonic. She has produced over 35 CDs - most prominently the Denver Brass and Aries Brass Quintet. Kathy's successful career has been a result of her tenacity, good humor and gregarious



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