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# competition program

**RG Hardie & Co. and MHAF  
United States Gold Medal  
Piobaireachd Championship**

**McCallum Bagpipes & MWPBA  
United States Silver Medal  
Piobaireachd Championship**

**MHAF  
North American Amateur  
Piobaireachd Championships**  
Presented by The Tone Protector by BagpipeLessons.com

**Henderson's Pipe & Drum Supply and MHAF  
North American Professional  
Ceol Beag Competition**

**MHAF  
North American Silver Medal  
Ceol Beag Championship**  
Sponsored by The Midwest Pipe Band Association;  
Presented by Roddy MacLeod Bagpipes

**Tartantown and MHAF  
North American Amateur  
Ceol Beag Championships**  
Presented by Lee & Sons Bagpipes

**Henderson's Pipe & Drum Supply and MHAF  
North American Gold Medal  
Snare Drumming Championship**  
Presented by Andante Drums and Percussion, and Pearl Drums

**Custom Drum Sound Inc.  
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Snare Drumming Championships**  
Presented by Andante Drums and Percussion, and Pearl Drums

**MHAF  
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Tenor Drumming Championship**  
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# piping competitions

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The United States Gold Medal  
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**Piobaireachd Competition**

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UNITED STATES GOLD MEDAL

# Piobaireachd Championship

## JUDGES:



## JACK LEE

In the Pipe Band world: Jack is the Pipe Sergeant and co-founder of the Simon Fraser University Pipe Band. The band has won six World Championships. It has also been an extremely consistent prizewinner at the World Championships during the past 30 years, having won either 1st or 2nd on fifteen occasions. Their youth band (Robert Malcolm Memorial) has won the World Juvenile Championships on four occasions.

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On a personal level: Jack, and his brother Terry, were both awarded the Meritorious Service Medal by the Governor General of Canada in 1999 and honorary doctorate degrees from Simon Fraser University. Jack and his sons (Andrew, Colin, and John) operate their family business making bagpipes, pipe bags and chanter reeds. In addition, Jack has made over 7,000 tunes from his own recording archives available on their website – [Bagpipemusic.com](http://Bagpipemusic.com).

## ORDER OF PLAY

### COMPETITORS:

1. Matt Pantaleoni
2. Derek Midgley
3. Edward McIlwaine
4. Daniel Carr
5. Alastair Lee
6. Andrew Carlisle
7. Ian K. MacDonald
8. Kenneth Sutherland
9. Craig Muirhead
10. Matt MacIsaac
11. Ben McClamrock
12. Andrew Donlon
13. Nick Hudson
14. Andrew Lewis
15. Zephan Knichel

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UNITED STATES GOLD MEDAL

# Piobaireachd Championship

## JUDGES:



## FRED MORRISON

Fred Morrison has carved an international reputation with a highly improvisational style, combining the Gaelic piping tradition with contemporary and eclectic influences. One of the few pipers achieving success in both the competitive piping and folk music scenes, Fred is a master of the Highland pipes and the bellows-blown Lowland or Border pipes, as well as playing Irish uilleann pipes and low whistle. His prowess on the Great Highland Bagpipe gained him honors in the exacting Scottish competition piping circuit, including the Gold Medals at Oban and Inverness, while he has taken the prestigious Macallan trophy at Brittany's Lorient Celtic Festival seven times.

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**R.G. Hardie & Co. – Midwest Highland Arts Fund**

**UNITED STATES GOLD MEDAL**

# Piobaireachd Championship

## ABOUT THE GOLD MEDAL

The Eighteenth Annual R.G. Hardie & Co. – Midwest Highland Arts Fund United States Gold Medal Piobaireachd Championship will be held January 13, 2023, at the Marriott – Country Club Plaza, in Kansas City.

The R.G. Hardie & Co. – Midwest Highland Arts Fund Gold Medal (USA), 2.5 inches (6.5 cm) in diameter of gold-plated silver featuring the MHAF logo on the obverse, will be awarded to the day's Champion in Piobaireachd. Prize moneys include First winning USD \$750, Second \$500, and Third \$250. R.G. Hardie & Co. will also present prizes to the runners-up. Competitors must be eligible to apply for the Gold Medal competitions at Oban or Inverness, or be prior winners of the McCallum Bagpipes-MWPBA Silver Medal. Competitors must submit four tunes of their own choice. Competitors will be notified of the selected tune prior to entering the final tuning-room.

The contest will be held just before the 20th Annual MHAF Winter Storm Weekend, January 12 – 15, and that Saturday evening's WINTER STORM 2023: The Pipes & Drums Concert, performed by the workshop faculty.

The aggregate winner of the United States Gold Medal Piobaireachd Championship and the United States Gold Medal Ceol Beag Championship will be awarded up to \$1,500 USD for travel to Scotland to participate in professional solo events, or to travel back to Kansas City to compete at Winter Storm 2024. In the event of a tie, the United States Gold Medal Piobaireachd Championship will govern.

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R. G. Hardie & Co. are manufacturers and suppliers of Highland Bagpipes, Piping Accessories, and Pipe Band Highland wear. R. G. Hardie was formed in 1950, since 1972 incorporating Peter Henderson, Ltd. (established 1868); over 100 years have been dedicated to making the finest highland bagpipes in the world.

In 2015 R.G. Hardie & Co. and Gaelic Themes merged to become trading divisions of St. Kilda Holdings Ltd. The company now employs 50 people selling bagpipes and highland wear around the world.

Since 2005 R.G. Hardie & Co. has sponsored Field Marshal Montgomery Pipe Band and during this period, the band has seen more success on the competitive circuit than ever before in its history. The band assists R.G. Hardie in developing products for the pipe band market and almost half the pipe corps play bagpipes crafted by the company.

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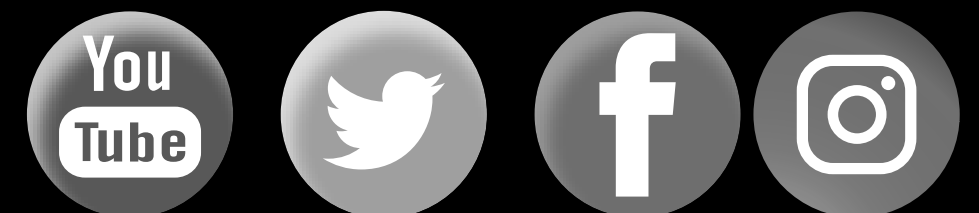
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**Piobaireachd  
Championship**

**JUDGES:**



**CALLUM BEAUMONT**

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**JUDGES:**



**JORI CHISHOLM**

Jori is an inventor who lives in Seattle, Washington, USA. Jori is a successful solo competitor winning prizes including the MHAF Gold Medal for Piobaireachd four times and many top awards around the world including at Scotland's Argyllshire Gathering, Northern Meeting, Cowal Highland Gathering, Royal Braemar Gathering, and other competitions. Jori was a member of the Simon Fraser University Pipe Band for 19 years and played with the band when they won the Grade One World Pipe Band Championships three times and performed at the Sydney Opera House, Glasgow Royal Concert Hall, and at New York's Lincoln Center. Jori founded his pioneering website BagpipeLessons.com in 1999 with the goal of providing high-quality information for anyone wanting to learn the pipes.

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**JUDGES:**



**RODDY MACLEOD, MBE**

Roddy MacLeod, MBE is the former Principal of The National Piping Centre. One of the world's most accomplished competitive solo pipers, he has won all of solo piping's most coveted awards, many of them several times over. He was Pipe Major of the Grade 1 Scottish Power Pipe Band from 1995 - 2005 during which time he led them to over forty-five Grade 1 major championship prizes. In 2008 he led the Spirit of Scotland Pipe Band to the final of Grade 1 at the World Pipe Band Championships. Roddy helped start Piping Live!, Glasgow's International Piping Festival.

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UNITED STATES SILVER MEDAL  
**Piobaireachd  
Championship**

### ABOUT THE SILVER MEDAL

The Nineteenth Annual McCallum Bagpipes & MidWest Pipe Band Association United States Silver Medal Piobaireachd Championship will be held January 13, 2022, at the Marriott-Country Club Plaza, in Kansas City. The contest will begin at approximately 8:00 a.m.

The McCallum & MWPBA Silver Medal (USA), 2.5 inches (6.5 cm) in diameter featuring the ancient MacCrimmon piper and "MidWest Pipe Band Association" on the obverse, and the Mhaf logo on the reverse, will be awarded to the day's champion in Piobaireachd. Prize moneys include First winning USD \$750 through Third \$250. The Silver Medal Champion will also be awarded a set of Duncan MacRae Bagpipes (developed by Stuart Liddell and McCallum Bagpipes), courtesy of Kenny MacLeod and McCallum Bagpipes, with runners-up receiving McCallum McC<sup>2</sup> pipe chanters. Open to pipers professional/open by their regional pipe band associations, the piper must submit four tunes of their own choice; Competitors will be notified of the selected tune prior to entering the final tuning room.

The contest, unique in North America, will be held just before the 20th Annual Mhaf Winter Storm Weekend, January 12 – 15, and that Saturday evening's WINTER STORM 2023: The Pipes & Drums Concert, performed by the workshop faculty.

### ABOUT MCCALLUM BAGPIPES

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MidWest Pipe Band Association formed in 1964 with ten pipe bands; membership currently covers fifteen states, with over 50 bands and 300 solo pipers and drummers. Committed to consistency and excellence in grading standards, MWPBA fosters piping by overseeing a dozen sanctioned games in the Midwest yearly.

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**JUDGES (GRADE 1):**



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**COMPETITORS  
(GRADE 1):**

1. Michael Trenor
2. Calum MacNeill
3. Malachi Johannsen
4. Ben Elliot
5. Thomas Cangelosi
6. Cameron Bonar
7. Mason Parsons
8. Jennifer Westphal
9. Karen MacLean
10. Colin Forrest
11. Jason Marchand
12. Duncan Winters
13. Kayleigh Johnstone
14. Tak Tang
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NORTH AMERICAN AMATEUR

# Piobaireachd Championships

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## JUDGES (GRADE 1):



## BOB WORRALL

Bob Worrall is one of North America's leading teachers, adjudicators and performers. Bob is a respected composer, having published three successful collections of bagpipe music. He is featured on three solo piping recordings and was a member of the folk group "Scantly Plaid".

After a piping career with a number of Ontario's leading pipe bands, including the City of Toronto Pipe Band and the General Motors Pipe Band, Bob retired from competitive piping in 1983. His solo accomplishments were extensive, both in North America and Scotland. He won the North American Professional Championship an unprecedented 7 times and the Ontario Professional Championship Supreme title for 12 of his 13 years in the professional class. He was also the 1977 winner of the March and Strathspey/Reel events in Inverness. He was a pupil of Bill Millar, Willie Connell and the late John Wilson.

## ORDER OF PLAY

### COMPETITORS (GRADE 1):

1. Michael Trenor
2. Calum MacNeill
3. Malachi Johannsen
4. Ben Elliot
5. Thomas Cangelosi
6. Cameron Bonar
7. Mason Parsons
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NORTH AMERICAN AMATEUR

# Piobaireachd Championships

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## JUDGES (GRADE 2):



## JACK LEE

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## ORDER OF PLAY

### COMPETITORS (GRADE 2):

1. Jack Martin
2. James Piccione
3. Ray Flanagan
4. Allison Jackson
5. Calum MacKinnon
6. Bridget Englebretson
7. Cristopher Rodriguez
8. Matthew Launer
9. Paul Mackay
10. Matt Davis
11. Luke Ashton
12. Emily Feeney
13. Andrew Buchanan
14. Brandon Ward
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17. Kim Greeley

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**JUDGES (GRADE 2):**



**WILLIE MCCALLUM**

Willie is a native of Campbeltown, Kintyre, where he learned piping from his uncles Ronald and Hugh. Willie also came under the guidance of P/M Ronald McCallum MBE, his father's cousin.

He has won almost every prize available including both Gold Medals, Former Winners MSR at Oban five times and Inverness four times, the Senior Piobaireachd at Oban three times, Silver Chanter three times, Bratach Gorm four times and the Glenfiddich Championship nine times.

Willie runs his own piping business, Willie McCallum Piping, which has a broad range of activities including performing, teaching, as well as selling bagpipes and acting as a consultant to McCallum Bagpipes.

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NORTH AMERICAN AMATEUR

# Piobaireachd Championships

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## JUDGES (GRADE 3):



## CALLUM BEAUMONT

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## ORDER OF PLAY

### COMPETITORS (GRADE 3):

1. Melanie Brown
2. Brenda Wilson
3. Lou Lanaro
4. Kevin Glynn
5. Courtney schnee
6. Lawrence Selden
7. Ignacio Solis
8. Killian Smith
9. Chris Spreen
10. Andra Stoller
11. Cliff Ermatinger
12. Tamara Miceli
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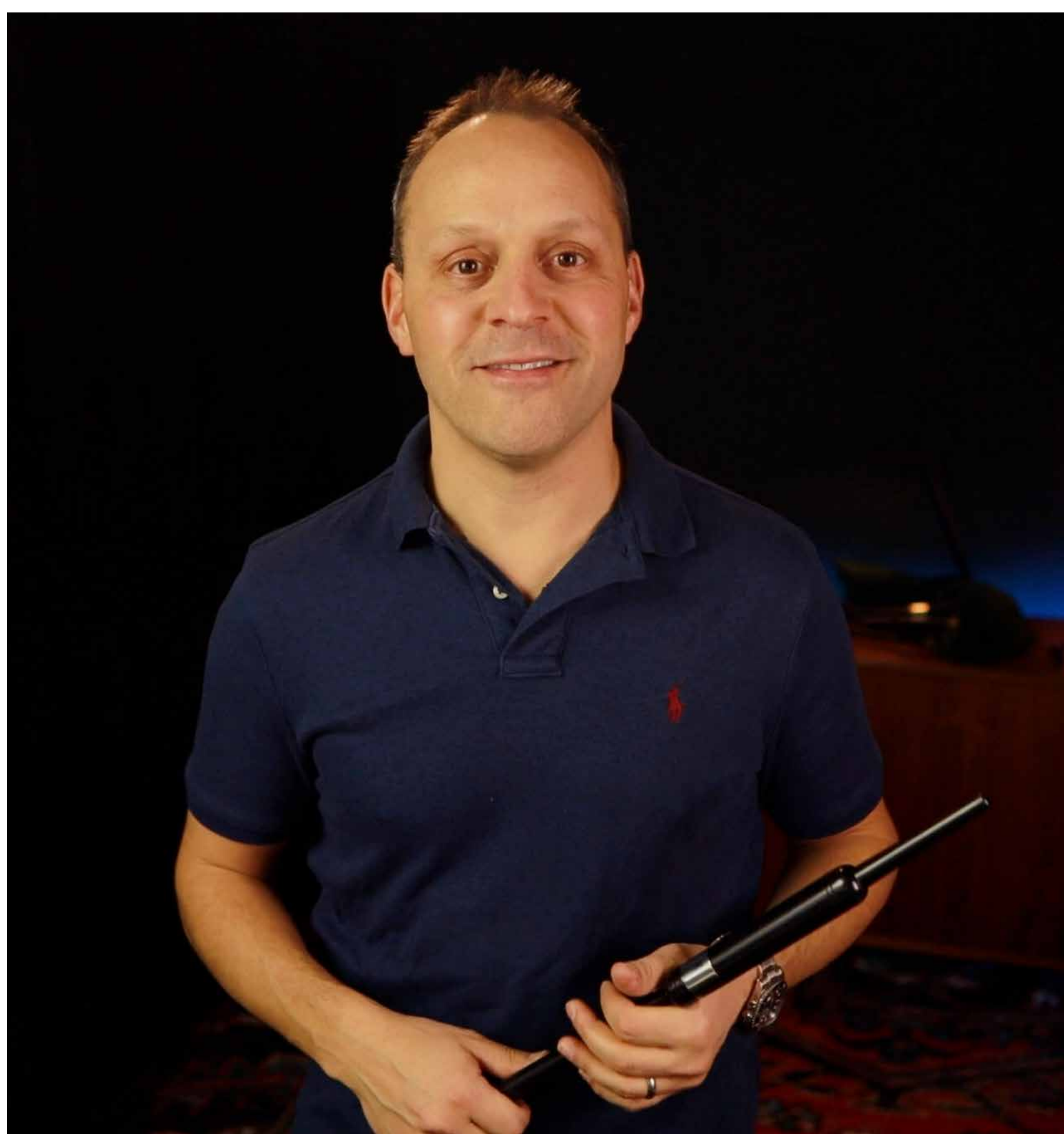




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**JUDGES (GRADE 3):**



**JORI CHISHOLM**

Jori is an inventor who lives in Seattle, Washington, USA. Jori is a successful solo competitor winning prizes including the MHAF Gold Medal for Piobaireachd four times and many top awards around the world including at Scotland's Argyllshire Gathering, Northern Meeting, Cowal Highland Gathering, Royal Braemar Gathering, and other competitions. Jori was a member of the Simon Fraser University Pipe Band for 19 years and played with the band when they won the Grade One World Pipe Band Championships three times and performed at the Sydney Opera House, Glasgow Royal Concert Hall, and at New York's Lincoln Center. Jori founded his pioneering website BagpipeLessons.com in 1999 with the goal of providing high-quality information for anyone wanting to learn the pipes.

ORDER OF PLAY

**COMPETITORS  
(GRADE 3):**

1. Melanie Brown
2. Brenda Wilson
3. Lou Lanaro
4. Kevin Glynn
5. Courtney schnee
6. Lawrence Selden
7. Ignacio Solis
8. Killian Smith
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### **ABOUT THE AMATEUR PIOBAIREACHD CHAMPIONSHIPS**

The Midwest Highland Arts Fund North American Amateur Piobaireachd Championships will be held January 12, 2023 at the Marriott – Country Club Plaza, in Kansas City. The age of the Competitor in Amateur Grades 1, 2, and 3 will not be restricted. Depending upon the grade, the Competitor must submit one, two, or three tunes. Pipers placing First through Third in the three grades will win the MHAF North American Amateur Medal. Minted with the Gold Medal, the bronze medals are 2.5 inches (6.5 cm) in diameter, featuring the MHAF logo. In addition, pipers placing First through Third in the three grades will be awarded prizes from Tone Protector.

The contests will be held just before the 20th Annual MHAF Winter Storm Weekend, January 12–15 and that Saturday evening's WINTER STORM 2023: The Pipes & Drums Concert, performed by the workshop faculty.

### **ABOUT TONE PROTECTOR**

The Tone Protector is the world's first digital chanter cap with two-way humidity control. It's a patent pending product from Jori Chisholm and BagpipeLessons.com. The Tone Protector keeps your chanter reed at a precisely-controlled, constant humidity level to ensure consistent, optimal reed performance, improved tone, shorter tune up times, and reeds that last 3-4x longer. The Tone Protector has quickly become one of the world's most successful and popular piping products and has been played at competitions around the world and the results have been incredible - winning top prizes at some of the world's most elite competitions.

## ORDER OF PLAY

### **COMPETITORS (GRADE 1):**

1. Michael Trenor
2. Calum MacNeill
3. Malachi Johannsen
4. Ben Elliot
5. Thomas Cangelosi
6. Cameron Bonar
7. Mason Parsons
8. Jennifer Westphal
9. Karen MacLean
10. Colin Forrest
11. Jason Marchand
12. Duncan Winters
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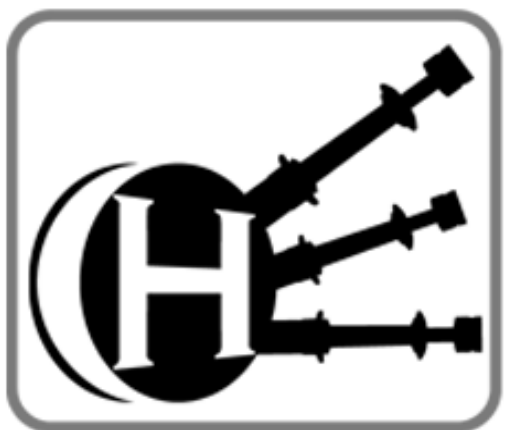


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# Ceol Beag Competition

## JUDGES:



## JACK LEE

In the Pipe Band world: Jack is the Pipe Sergeant and co-founder of the Simon Fraser University Pipe Band. The band has won six World Championships. It has also been an extremely consistent prizewinner at the World Championships during the past 30 years, having won either 1st or 2nd on fifteen occasions. Their youth band (Robert Malcolm Memorial) has won the World Juvenile Championships on four occasions.

As a Teacher: Jack's dedicates many hours per week to private instruction at home and online around the world via Skype. Several of Jack's students have gone on to win major solo prizes in Scotland.

On a personal level: Jack, and his brother Terry, were both awarded the Meritorious Service Medal by the Governor General of Canada in 1999 and honorary doctorate degrees from Simon Fraser University. Jack and his sons (Andrew, Colin, and John) operate their family business making bagpipes, pipe bags and chanter reeds. In addition, Jack has made over 7,000 tunes from his own recording archives available on their website – [Bagpipemusic.com](http://Bagpipemusic.com).

## ORDER OF PLAY

### COMPETITORS:

1. Andrew Carlisle
2. Daniel Carr
3. Ian K. MacDonald
4. Alastair Lee
5. Alastair Murray
6. Austin Graydon Diepenhorst
7. Derek Midgley
9. Andrew Donlon
10. Matt Wilson
11. Craig Muirhead
12. Matt MacIsaac
13. Ben McClamrock
14. Nick Hudson
15. Jack Williamson

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# Ceol Beag Competition

## JUDGES:



## BOB WORRALL

Bob Worrall is one of North America's leading teachers, adjudicators and performers. Bob is a respected composer, having published three successful collections of bagpipe music. He is featured on three solo piping recordings and was a member of the folk group "Scantly Plaid".

After a piping career with a number of Ontario's leading pipe bands, including the City of Toronto Pipe Band and the General Motors Pipe Band, Bob retired from competitive piping in 1983. His solo accomplishments were extensive, both in North America and Scotland. He won the North American Professional Championship an unprecedented 7 times and the Ontario Professional Championship Supreme title for 12 of his 13 years in the professional class. He was also the 1977 winner of the March and Strathspey/Reel events in Inverness. He was a pupil of Bill Millar, Willie Connell and the late John Wilson.

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# Ceol Beag Competition

## ABOUT THE CEOL BEAG PROFESSIONAL COMPETITION

The Fifteenth Annual Henderson's Pipe & Drum Supply – Midwest Highland Arts Fund North American Professional Ceol Beag Championship will be held January 13, 2023, at the Marriott – Country Club Plaza, in Kansas City. The contest will begin at approximately 2:00 p.m.

The Henderson's Pipe & Drum Supply – Midwest Highland Arts Fund Gold Medal (USA), 2.5 inches (6.5 cm) in diameter of gold plated silver featuring the Henderson logo on the obverse, and the MHAF logo on the reverse, will be awarded to the day's Champion. Prize moneys include First winning USD \$750, Second \$500, and Third \$250. The event is open to pipers eligible to compete for the A Grade or Premier Grade medal competitions at Oban or Inverness. The Judges will choose a march, a strathspey, and a reel from five submitted by the Competitor, with the three highest scores determining prize placing.

The contest will be held just before the 20th Annual MHAF Winter Storm Weekend, January 12 – 15, and that Saturday evening's WINTER STORM 2023: The Pipes & Drums Concert, performed by the workshop faculty.

The aggregate winner of the United States Gold Medal Piobaireachd Championship and the United States Gold Medal Ceol Beag Championship will be awarded up to \$1,500 USD for travel to Scotland to participate in professional solo events, or to travel back to Kansas City to compete at Winter Storm 2024. In the event of a tie, the United States Gold Medal Piobaireachd Championship will govern.

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## ORDER OF PLAY

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# Ceol Beag Championship

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## JUDGES:



## KEN ELLER

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4. Kevin Darmadi
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7. Tony Adkins
8. Joseph Stewart
9. Sean Patrick Regan
10. Ross Barker
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13. Zephan Knichel
14. Ed McIlwaine
15. Dan Lyden
16. Jamie Cuthill
17. Mary Wallace
18. Blaise Theriault
19. Bobby Durning
20. Stanton Man
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NORTH AMERICAN SILVER MEDAL  
**Ceol Beag  
Championship**

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**JUDGES:**



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NORTH AMERICAN SILVER MEDAL

# Ceol Beag Championship

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## JUDGES:



## TERRY LEE

Pipe-Major Dr. Terry Lee is one of the most prominent and successful pipe band leaders in the world. Under his direction, the SFU Pipe Band captured the World Pipe Band Championship six times (1995, 1996, 1999, 2001, 2008 and 2009), and is one of only two bands in history to win both the Medley and MSR events at the World Championships more than once (MSR five times, Medley five times). Terry is also one of only seven Pipe Majors to win the World Championship more than twice.

His ability to produce superb band performances in both the contemporary and traditional style, and to significantly enhance the musicality and technique of his players is respected worldwide.

He has been the leader and musical director at the band's concerts in many of the world's most well-known venues including Carnegie Hall and the Lincoln Centre in New York City, the Sydney Opera House, the Royal Glasgow Concert Hall, the Mormon Tabernacle in Salt Lake City, and many others.

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NORTH AMERICAN SILVER MEDAL

# Ceol Beag Championship

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## ABOUT THE CEOL BEAG SILVER MEDAL COMPETITION

The First Annual North American Silver Medal Ceol Beag Championship will be held January 13, 2023, at the Marriott – Country Club Plaza, in Kansas City. The contest will begin at 8:00 a.m.

The North American Silver Medal Ceol Beag Silver Medal, 2.5 inches (6.5 cm) featuring the MHAF logo will be awarded to the day's Champion. Prize moneys include First winning USD \$750, Second \$500, and Third \$250. Roddy MacLeod Bagpipes will also present prizes to the runners-up. Pipers graded Open/Professional by their Pipe Band Association are eligible to compete. The Judges will choose a march, a strathspey, and a reel from four submitted by the Competitor, with the three highest scores determining prize placing.

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7. Cameron Bonar
8. Brennan Foley
9. Jason Marchand
10. Malachi Johannsen
11. Max Rae
12. Karen MacLean
13. Adam Blaine
14. Connor Eckert
15. Thomas Cangelosi
16. Colin Forrest
17. Michael Trenor
18. Ryan Parker

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3. Bridget Englebretson
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5. Jack Martin
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7. Ray Flanagan
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**JUDGES (GRADE 3):**



**CALLUM BEAUMONT**

Callum Beaumont has won almost every major soloist prize and recently became the youngest piper in history to win the Clasp, most recently in 2019. He has also earned both Highland Society of London Gold Medals, and was the champion piper at the 2019 London events. Callum lives in Linlithgow, West Lothian and is a piping instructor at Dollar Academy. In addition to his solo piping success, Callum has won the World Pipe Band Championships with Inveraray & District Pipe Band, Simon Fraser University Pipe Band, and Shotts & Dykehead Pipe Band.

ORDER OF PLAY

**COMPETITORS  
(GRADE 3):**

1. Matthew Turley
2. Daelen McCumber
3. Michael Swan
4. James Douglas
5. Lawrence Selden
6. Hunter Nichols
7. Andra Stoller
8. Michael Saxer
9. Lou Lanaro
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**JUDGES (GRADE3):**



**FRED MORRISON**

Fred Morrison has carved an international reputation with a highly improvisational style, combining the Gaelic piping tradition with contemporary and eclectic influences. One of the few pipers achieving success in both the competitive piping and folk music scenes, Fred is a master of the Highland pipes and the bellows-blown Lowland or Border pipes, as well as playing Irish uilleann pipes and low whistle. His prowess on the Great Highland Bagpipe gained him honors in the exacting Scottish competition piping circuit, including the Gold Medals at Oban and Inverness, while he has taken the prestigious Macallan trophy at Brittany's Lorient Celtic Festival seven times.

ORDER OF PLAY

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## ORDER OF PLAY

### **COMPETITORS (GRADE 1):**

1. Ben Elliot
2. Mason Parsons
3. Claum MacNeil
4. Kayleigh Johnstone
5. Duncan Winters
6. Jennifer Westphal
7. Cameron Bonar
8. Brennan Foley
9. Jason Marchand
10. Malachi Johannsen
11. Max Rae
12. Karen MacLean
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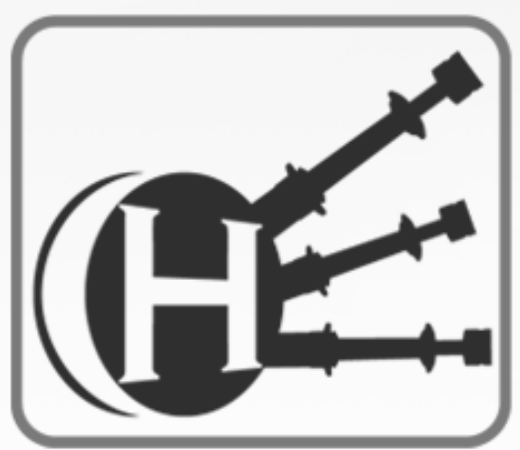
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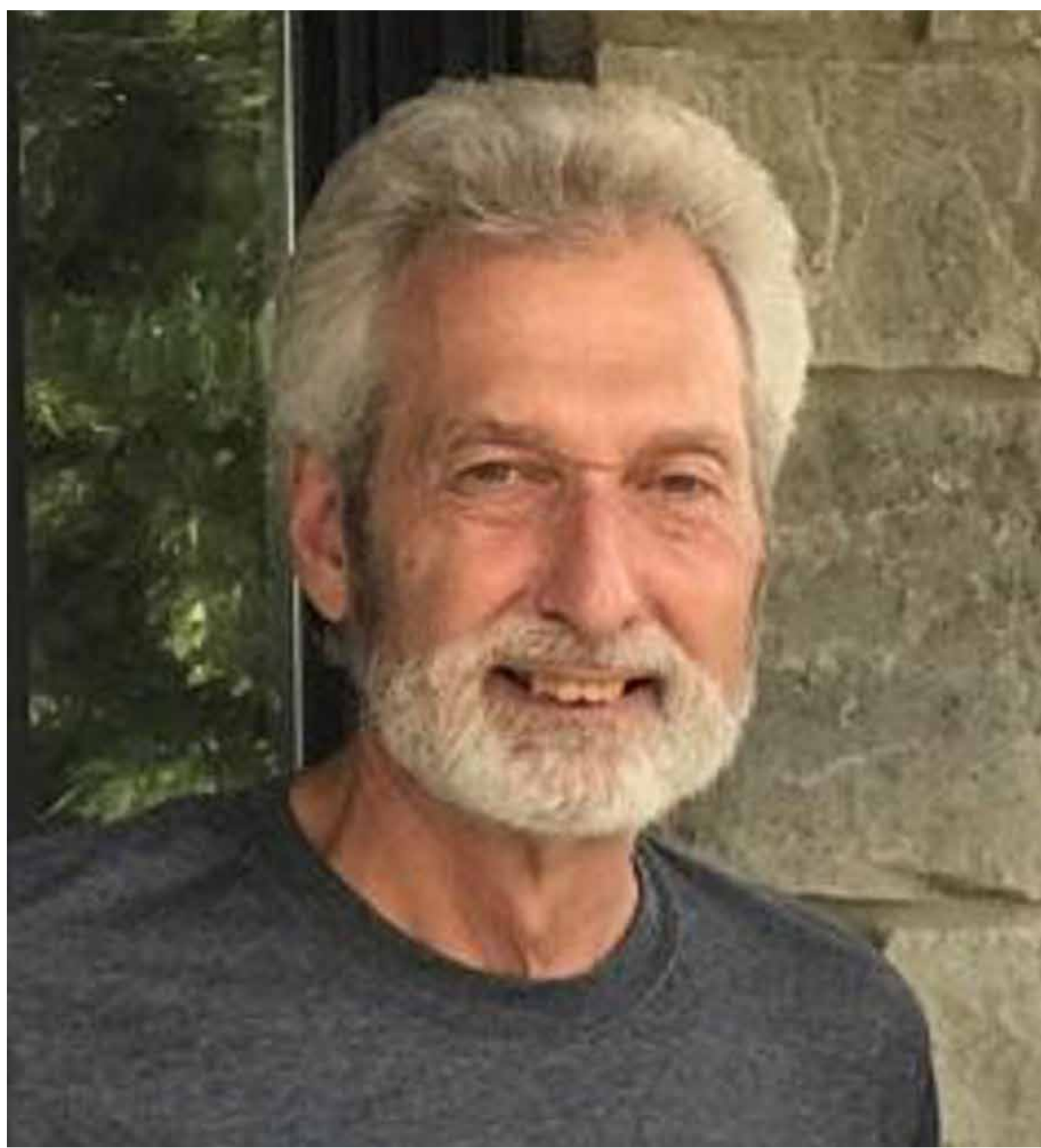
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### **ABOUT THE GOLD MEDAL DRUMMING CHAMPIONSHIP**

The Henderson's Pipe & Drum Supply – Midwest Highland Arts Fund North American Gold Medal Drumming Championship will be held January 13, 2023 at the Marriott – Country Club Plaza in Kansas City.

The North American Gold Medal, 2.5 inches (6.5 cm) in diameter of gold-plated solid silver, featuring the MHAF logo on the obverse, and the Henderson's Pipe & Drum Supply logo on the reverse, will be awarded to the Winner in Scottish snare drumming. Prize moneys include First USD \$750, Second \$500, and Third \$250. MHAF will supplement the First Prize to include up to \$1,500 USD for air travel from North America for the Champion and his/her piper to compete in the World Solo Drumming Championships in October 2023, or to travel back to Kansas City to compete at Winter Storm 2024. The North American Gold Medal Champion will choose his/her prize snare drum from an array of Andante and Pearl drums.

Each Competitor, a drummer graded Open/professional or Grade One, will submit one each MSR set. The aggregate scores of the MSR qualifier will determine the order of play for the final round. The three highest scores in the final round will determine the final placing for prizes.

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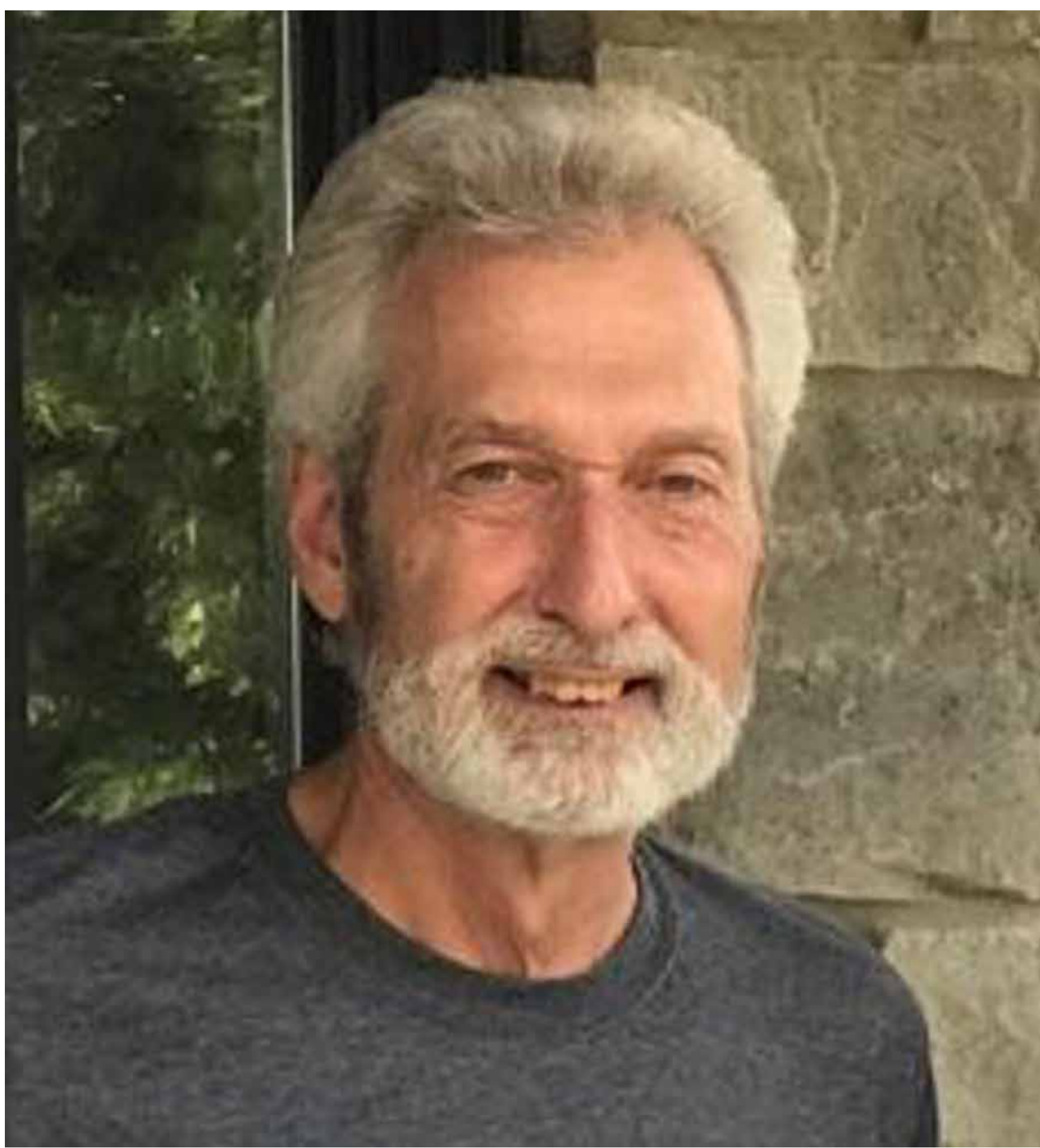
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**JUDGES:**



**J. REID MAXWELL (GRADES 2 & 3)**

J. Reid Maxwell is certainly one of today's most decorated drummers. When the SFU Pipe Band captured the Worlds in 1995, Reid became the first person in history to lead the drum corps of two different bands to be named World Pipe Band Champions (his other victory being in 1987 with Toronto's 78th Fraser Highlanders, also the 1987 World Drum Corps Champions). And all this was preceded by two World Pipe Band Championships and four World Drum Corps Championships as a member of Scotland's Dysart & Dundonald Pipe Band.

With the band's capture of the 2008 and 2009 World Pipe Band Championship and World Drum Corps Championships, Reid obtained his 18th World Championship title, an amazing feat by any standard. Reid's ability to produce exceptional drum corps and his dedication to the instruction of young drummers is held in high regard worldwide. In 2015, Reid was awarded the BC Community Achievement Award for services to pipe band drumming in British Columbia.

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## JUDGES:



## CHRISTINA HENRY

Christina joined the Manchester Pipe Band in the late 90's as a tenor drummer, and in the fall of 2001 became the bass drummer for the Grade 2 Oran Mor Pipe Band. Christina continued with Oran Mor on bass up through Grade 2 and into the 2011 Grade 1 World Pipe Band Championship finals.

In 2013, Christina joined the 78th Fraser Highlanders as a tenor drummer and became one of very few players in the world to compete in the Grade 1 World Pipe Band Championship finals as both a bass and tenor drummer. As member of the 78th Frasers, Christina was part of three Grade 1 North American Championship victories and four finishes in the top 12 at the World Pipe Band Championships. Currently, Christina is the bass drummer of the Grade 1 City of Dunedin Pipe Band out of Dunedin, FL. As a solo competitor, Christina is an active professional bass and tenor competitor, having won the North American championships as a bass drummer.

She is a certified Bass and Tenor Adjudicator with the Eastern United States Pipe Band Association. With over 20 years of competitive experience, she is highly sought after as an instructor.

## ORDER OF PLAY

### GOLD MEDAL COMPETITORS:

1. Brianna McDonald
2. Louise Augaitis
3. Danielle Hamilton Cooper
4. Kathryn Byzewski
5. Courtney Green
6. Shanna McDonald
7. Whitney Glenn
8. Jensen McConnell
9. Andrew Elliott
10. Kelsey Drummond

### AMATEUR COMPETITORS:

1. Seton Helwig
2. Ainsley MacDonald
3. Mitchell Olding
4. Madeline Spears
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7. Alexander Kuldell
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## SIMON HODGETT

Simon Hodgett hails from Blackskull, Northern Ireland. He began playing the snare drum at age 10, being tutored for numerous years by ex-Field Marshal Montgomery drummer Keith Gourley. During that same timeframe Simon was introduced to a pair of tenor sticks by pure chance, and it's been a passion and obsession for him ever since.

In 2013 Simon joined St. Laurence O'Toole Pipe Band, this after a two year stint with the Northern Ireland band Seven Towers Pipe Band. Prior to Seven Towers, Simon played snare, tenor, and eventually bass drum for Banbridge Pipe Band.

"I'm very lucky to have been offered the opportunity to play under my drumming idols John Dunne and Stephen Creighton," states Simon. With their excellent leadership he's enjoyed successes in over 20 RSPBA & IPBA Major titles including four World Drumming Champion titles, and three Champion of Champion Grade 1 Drumming titles. In Northern Ireland & Ireland Simon continues to coordinate and instruct several bass sections and solo players.

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## ABOUT GOLD MEDAL AND AMATEUR TENOR DRUMMING CHAMPIONSHIPS

The Seventeenth Annual Midwest Highland Arts Fund Gold Medal and Amateur Tenor Drumming Championships will be held January 12 - 13, 2023, at the Marriott – Country Club Plaza in Kansas City.

The age of the Competitor in Amateur Grades 1, 2, and 3 will not be restricted. All Competitors must submit a MSR, and be accompanied by a piper. Drummers placing First through Third in the three grades will win the North American Amateur Medal. Minted with the Gold Medal, the bronze replica is 2.5 inches (6.5 cm) in diameter, featuring the MHAF logo on the obverse, and the Cameron logo on the reverse. The Champion in each grade will choose his/her prize snare drum from an array of Andante and Pearl drums.

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Prize moneys include First winning USD \$750, Second \$500, and Third \$250. In addition, the Champion will be awarded a tenor drum supplied by Andante Percussion and Pearl Drums. The contest will be held just before the 20th Annual MHAF Winter Storm Weekend, January 12 – 15, and that Saturday evening's WINTER STORM 2023: The Pipes & Drums Concert, performed by the workshop faculty.

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## ORDER OF PLAY

### GOLD MEDAL COMPETITORS:

1. Brianna McDonald
2. Louise Augaitis
3. Danielle Hamilton Cooper
4. Kathryn Byzewski
5. Courtney Green
6. Shanna McDonald
7. Whitney Glenn
8. Jensen McConnell
9. Andrew Elliott
10. Kelsey Drummond

### AMATEUR COMPETITORS:

1. Seton Helwig
2. Ainsley MacDonald
3. Mitchell Olding
4. Madeline Spears
5. Allison Hildebrand
6. Celeste Neary
7. Alexander Kuldell
8. Lindsay MacGregor
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12. Anna Irvine

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**CHRISTINA HENRY**

Christina joined the Manchester Pipe Band in the late 90's as a tenor drummer, and in the fall of 2001 became the bass drummer for the Grade 2 Oran Mor Pipe Band. Christina continued with Oran Mor on bass up through Grade 2 and into the 2011 Grade 1 World Pipe Band Championship finals.

In 2013, Christina joined the 78th Fraser Highlanders as a tenor drummer and became one of very few players in the world to compete in the Grade 1 World Pipe Band Championship finals as both a bass and tenor drummer. As member of the 78th Frasers, Christina was part of three Grade 1 North American Championship victories and four finishes in the top 12 at the World Pipe Band Championships. Currently, Christina is the bass drummer of the Grade 1 City of Dunedin Pipe Band out of Dunedin, FL. As a solo competitor, Christina is an active professional bass and tenor competitor, having won the North American championships as a bass drummer.

She is a certified Bass and Tenor Adjudicator with the Eastern United States Pipe Band Association. With over 20 years of competitive experience, she is highly sought after as an instructor.

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1. Mary Thrasher
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**SIMON HODGETT**

Simon Hodgett hails from Blackskull, Northern Ireland. He began playing the snare drum at age 10, being tutored for numerous years by ex-Field Marshal Montgomery drummer Keith Gourley. During that same timeframe Simon was introduced to a pair of tenor sticks by pure chance, and it's been a passion and obsession for him ever since.

In 2013 Simon joined St. Laurence O'Toole Pipe Band, this after a two year stint with the Northern Ireland band Seven Towers Pipe Band. Prior to Seven Towers, Simon played snare, tenor, and eventually bass drum for Banbridge Pipe Band.

"I'm very lucky to have been offered the opportunity to play under my drumming idols John Dunne and Stephen Creighton," states Simon. With their excellent leadership he's enjoyed successes in over 20 RSPBA & IPBA Major titles including four World Drumming Champion titles, and three Champion of Champion Grade 1 Drumming titles. In Northern Ireland & Ireland Simon continues to coordinate and instruct several bass sections and solo players.

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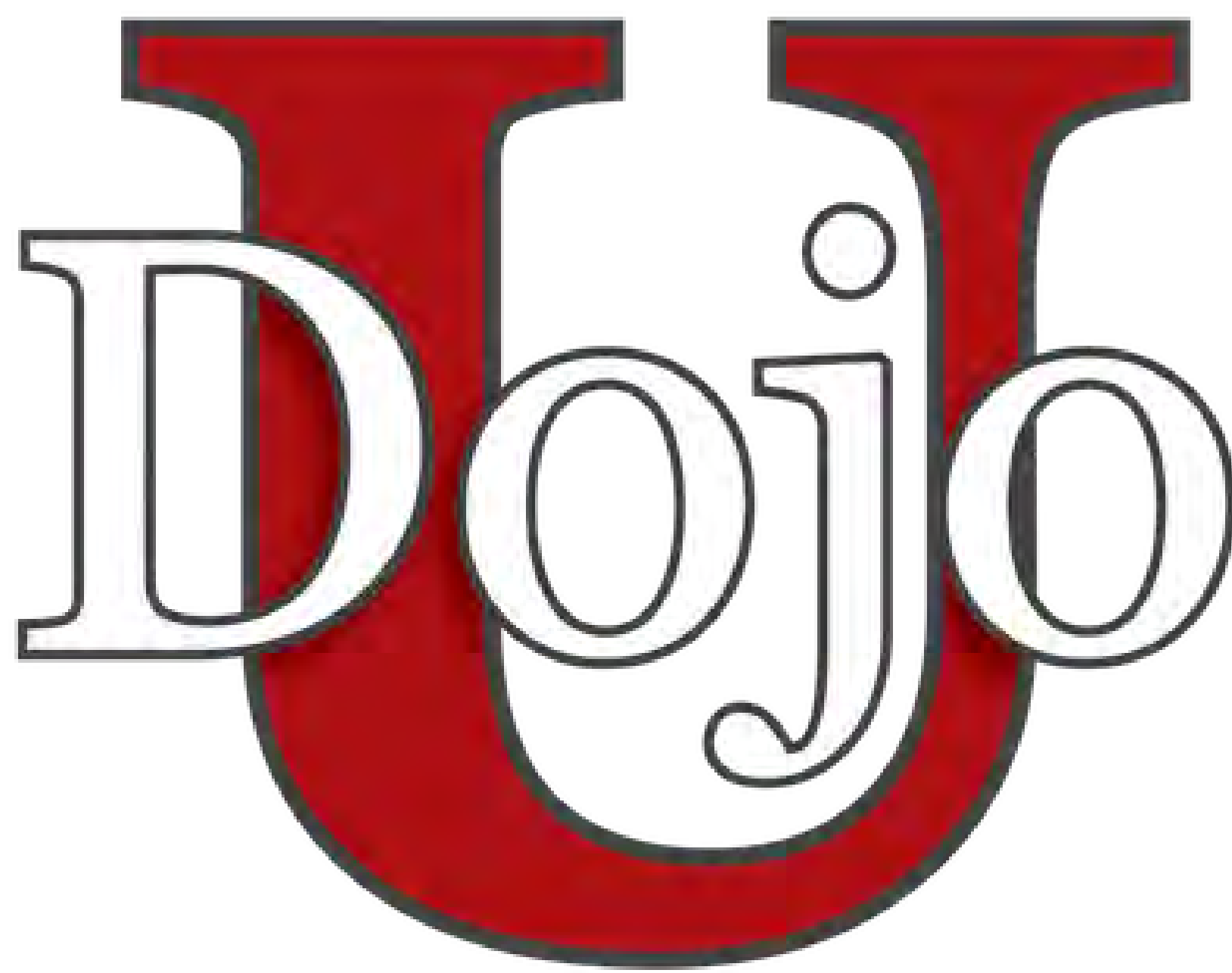
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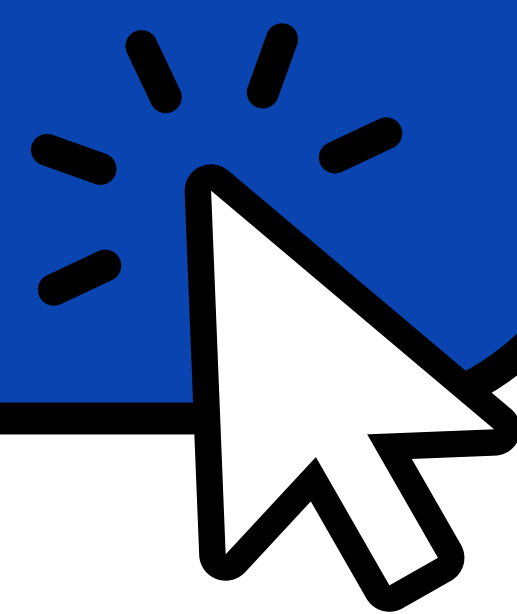
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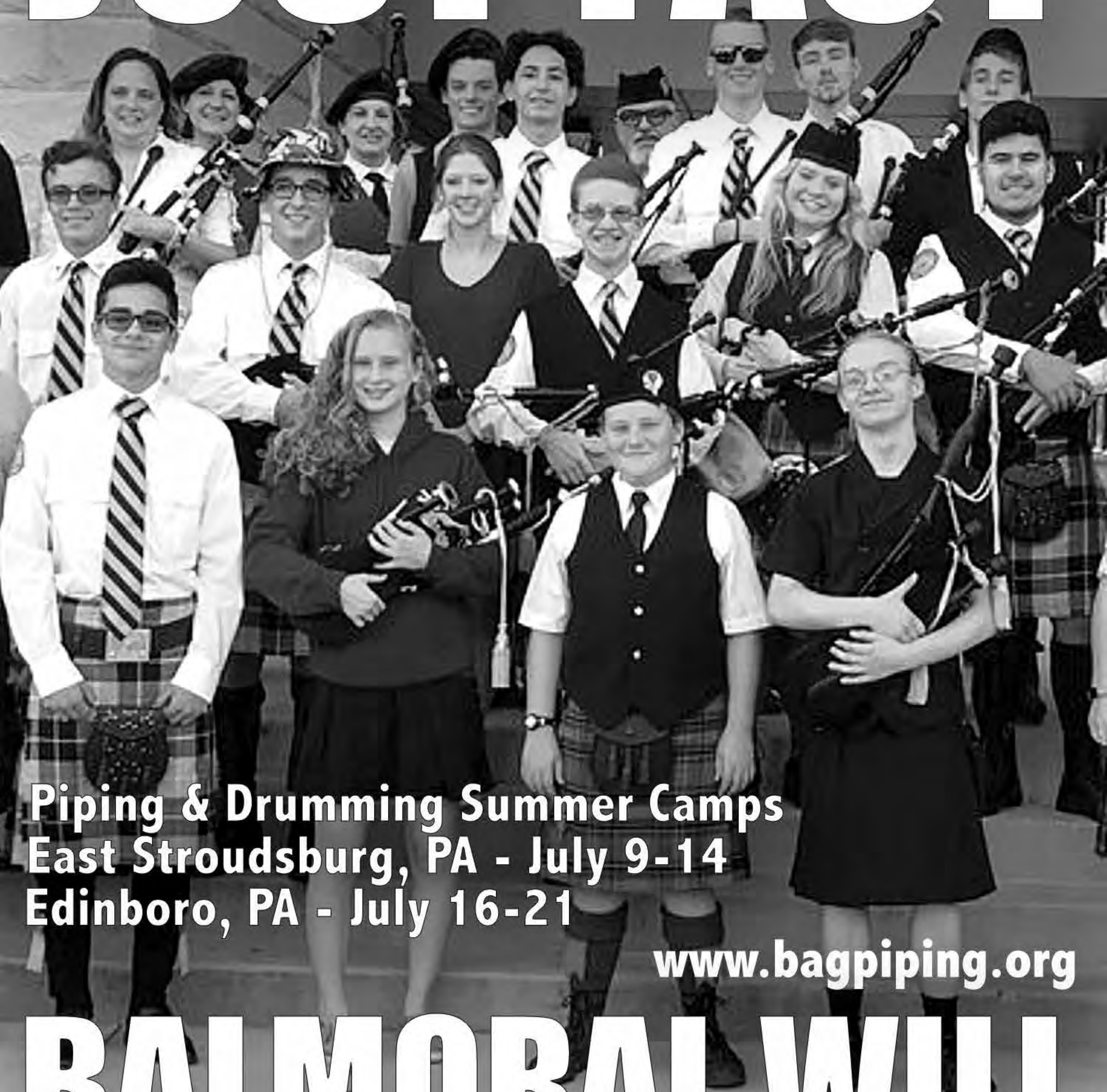
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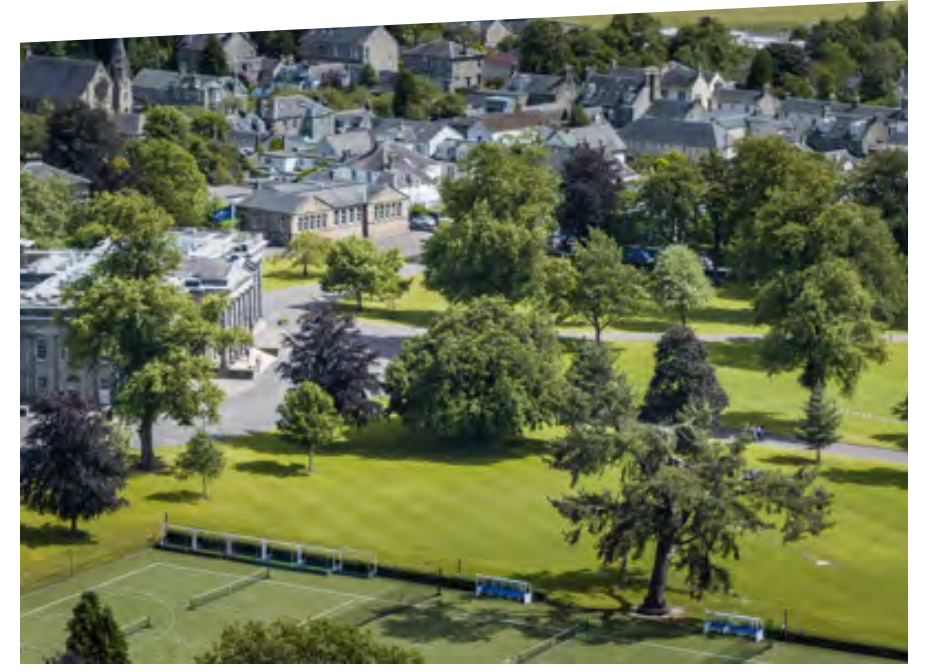
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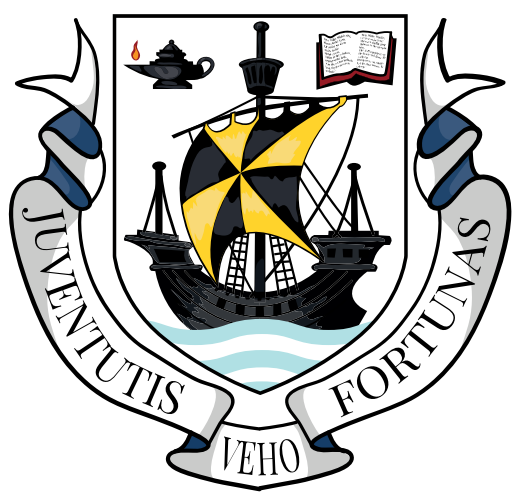


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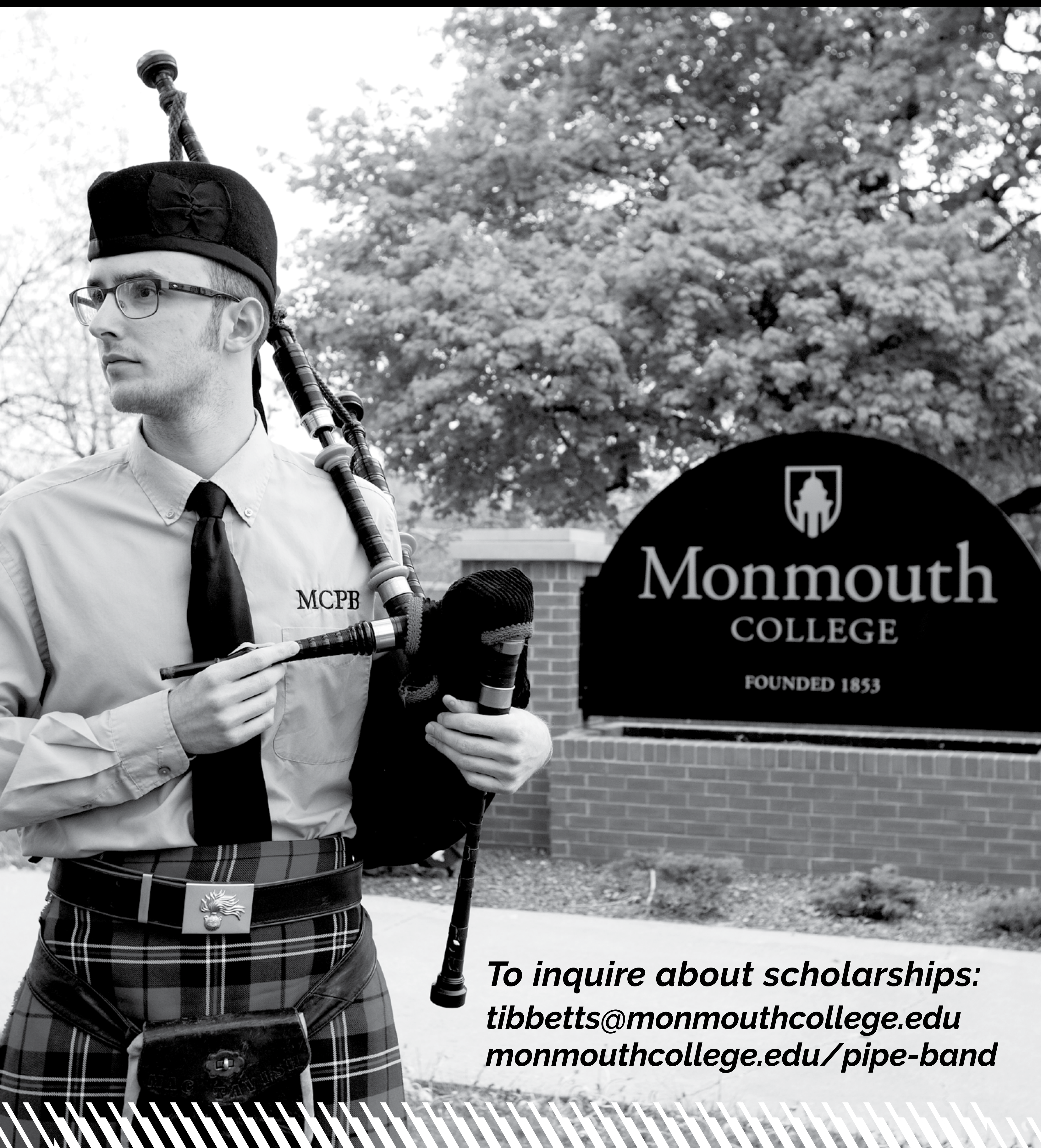
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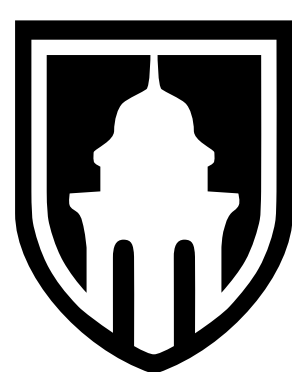


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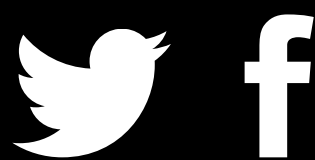
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