# CLARENCE CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

# MUSIC DEPARTMENT

## 2024-2025

# CONCERT PROGRAM

# Why Music?

## Music is a Science

It is exact, specific; and, it demands exact acoustics. A conductor's full score is a chart, a graph which indicates frequencies, intensities, volume changes, melody, and harmony all at once and with the most exact control of time.

## Music is Mathematical

It is rhythmically based on the subdivisions of time into fractions which must be done instantaneously, not worked out on paper.

## Music is a Foreign Language

Most of the terms are in Italian, German, or French; and the notation is certainly not English, but a highly developed kind of shorthand that uses symbols to represent ideas. The semantics of music is the most complete and universal language.

## Music is History

Music usually reflects the environment and times of its creation, often even the country and/or racial feeling.

## Music is Physical Education

It requires fantastic coordination of fingers, hands, arms, lip, cheek, and facial muscles, in addition to extraordinary control of the diaphragmatic, back, stomach, and chest muscles, which respond instantly to the sound the ear hears and the mind interprets.

## Music is all these things, but most of all, Music is ART

It allows a human being to take all these dry, technically boring (but difficult) techniques and use them to create emotion. That is one thing science cannot duplicate: humanism, feeling, emotion, call it what you will.

## That is why we teach music!

Not because we expect you to major in music;
not because we expect you to play or sing all your life.
But so you will be human,
so you will recognize beauty,
so you will have something to cling to,
so you will have more love, more compassion, more gentleness,
more good – in short, more life.

**~ Stephen Melillo**

# CLARENCE MIDDLE SCHOOL
## MUSIC DEPARTMENT PRESENTS

## Grades 7 & 8 Chorus
## *with* Mixed Show Choir *and*
## Symphonic Orchestra

**December 11, 2024**

**CMS Auditorium, 7:00 PM**

*Accompanist, Dr. Lorraine Abbott*



# Concert Etiquette

**Please follow these guidelines for appropriate concert behavior:**

**1. Arrive on time.**
If you are late, please wait until the end of the selection before entering the hall so that latecomers trying to find a seat will not distract the performers and other audience members.

**2. Listen quietly while the performance is taking place.**
Performers and audience members should never be distracted by unnecessary talking and movement.

**3. Applause at the end of a performance.**
Applause should be used only at the completion of a piece of music and that is generally indicated when the conductor's arms are dropped to the side.

**4. Please do not wave or call out to performers.**
Students have worked hard for weeks to prepare for performances. Please do not distract them with improper concert behavior. Applause, as noted above, is the best way to thank the performers.

**5. Stay for the entire performance and wait until the end of the selection to leave.**
If there is an emergency and you must leave before the final performance, please wait until there is a break in the program.

**Please silence your cell phones.**



# Program

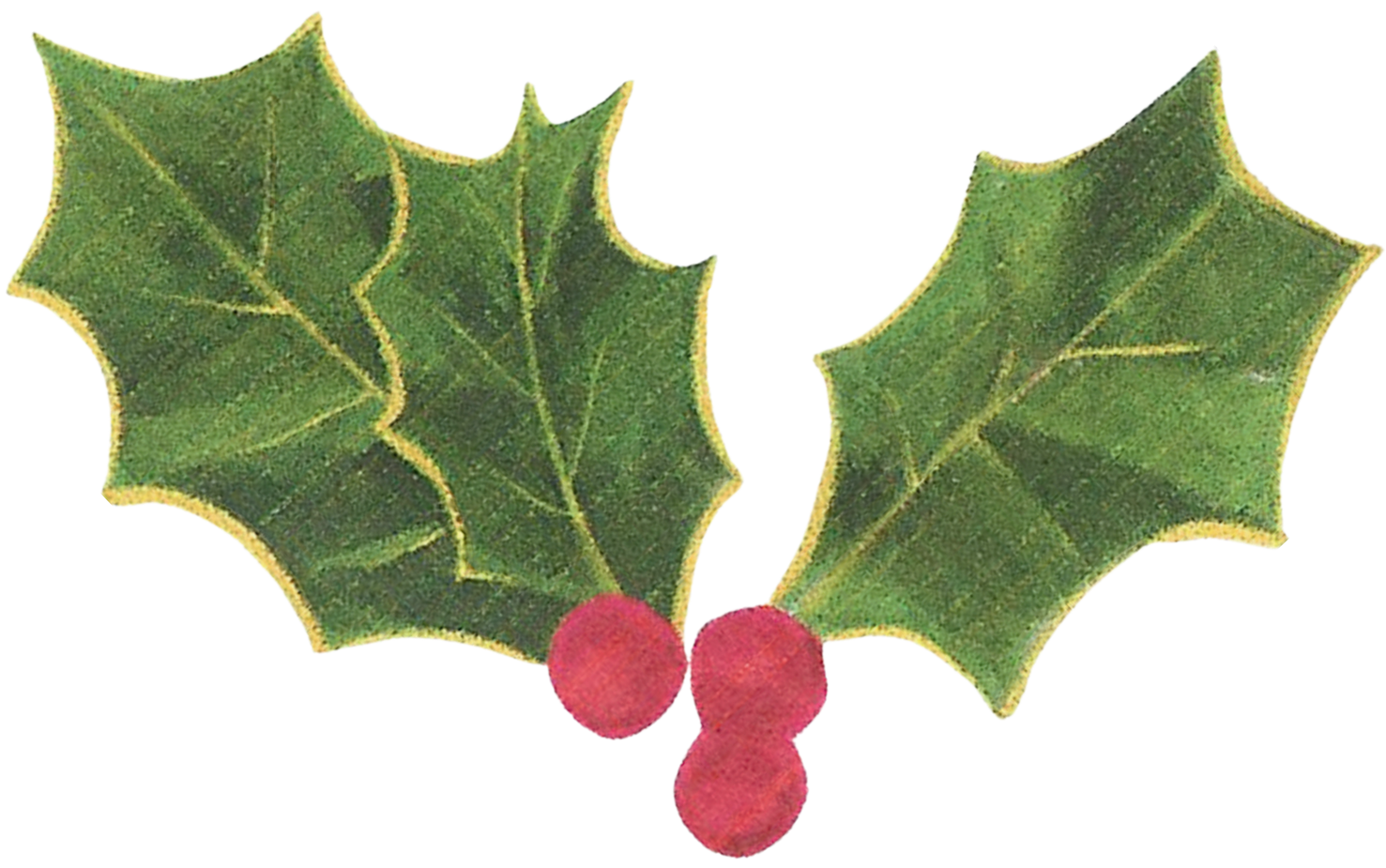
## MIXED SHOW CHOIR

**Heidi Kohler, Director**

***Grinch! A Christmas Choral Medley*** ..... *arr. Andy Beck*

**Soloists:**

Addison Long, Jack Story, Zach Thompson



## SEVENTH GRADE CHORUS

**Erin Alexander, Director**

**Lori Abbott, Accompanist**

***Canta Una Canción*** ..... Words and Music by Victor C. Johnson

***December's Keep*** ..... Frederic Chopin
arr. Greg Gilpin

***Square Root of Possible from Jingle Jangle*** .... Words and Music by
Michael Diskint, Philip Lawrence, and Davy Nathan
arr. Roger Emerson

***Soloists:***

Carmella Jefferson and Audriana Kagels

# Program

## EIGHTH GRADE CHORUS

**Heidi Kohler, Director**

***In Flander's Fields*** ..... Poem by John McCrae
arr. Roger Emerson

***Go! Said the Star*** ..... Ryan Main

***Into the Unknown*** ..... Kristen Anderson-Lopez and Robert Lopez
arr. Roger Emerson



## SYMPHONIC ORCHESTRA WITH COMBINED SEVENTH AND EIGHTH GRADE CHOIRS

***Hallelujah, from The Messiah*** ..... G.F. Handel
arr. Liebergen
Orchestral arr. by Nancy Benz

# Mixed Show Choir

## SOPRANOS

Elizabeth Weiss
Ellie Fortunato
Lily Abdelwahab
Lauren Engler
Adriana Castellani
Addison Long
Aurora Forstadt
Brynn Mack
Carmella Jefferson
Alexandra Holmes
Abigail Luk
Maggie Goulet

## BARITENORS

Jack Story
Zachary Thompson
Cooper Barrett
Benjamin Annunziato
Moses Williams
Noah Munn
Aden Majewski
Andrew LaPaglia
Emilio Salerno
Tegan Hunt
Grayson Ehre
Gabriel Koehler

## ALTOS

Madelyn Randolph
Kara Bullard
Molly Ramirez
Angeline Korn
Zoey Zulick
Phoebe Lagowski
Robyn Scherer
Madelyn Zwolinski
Sydney Chenevert
Hayden Scrivani
Alison Davignon

# Seventh Grade Chorus

Shaheer Ahmed
Aiema Ali
Nathan Bandelian
Rosabella Barns
Cooper Barrett
Matthew Baumann
Ryan Boesl
Ethan Brungard
Alec Buccilli
Adriana Butler
Liam Cahalan
Savannah Campbell
Isabella Cieslewicz
Alexander Clark
Devin Colby
Jozie Colwell
Evelyn Cooper
Angelo Costanzo
Cole Costanzo
Olivia Cox
Derek Crawford
Daisy Dawson
Nathalie De Almeida
Lucy DiLauro
Teagan Dicey
Baya Dodd
Arianna Downing
Grayson Ehre
Olivia Farley
John Ford
Vivienne Ford
Gabriella Forrestel
Cooper Fuchs

Sienna Geasling
Bella Giglio
Jade Gonsowski
Emily Gordon
Maggie Goulette
Nora Green
Sydney Herman
Drew Hoddick
Justin Jakson
Carmella Jefferson
Audriana Kagels
Bailynn Kasprzak
Grace Keeton
Nolan Kent
Ayesha Khan
Lyla Kinney
Gia Klentos
Ella Kress
Wesley Kwiatek
Sophia LaBarge
Amelia Lapp
Piper Lauer
Andrew Lincoln
Dominic Loschiavo
Nathan Lowe
Evan Lowe
Abigail Lynch
Brynn Mack
Alexandra Mambretti
Lillian Marshall
Olivia Martell
Lena McCrea
Jackson Meiler

Milana Miller
Adalyn Misinec
Angelina Morgante
Lillian Mulhisen
Alessia Mullett
Adalynn Norris
Landon Parks
Elle Peffer
Charles Procopio
Ashlyn Rajput
Lilly Reitmeier
McKenzee Rust
Sydney Ryan
Madeline Sabedra
Gregory Sakocius
Addison Schieder
Kaydence Schutt
Reagan Spear
Sophia Stegman
Sydney Stokes
Jensen Strobele
Marion Sumbrum
Addison Sunshine
Muskan Thind
Willow Tolbert-Brown-Ward
Elizabeth Vallon
Sophia Vilagy
Charles Vullo
Arsh Walia
Abigail Way
Ella Wood
Reagan Zogaria
Madelyn Zwolinski
Dante Zych

# Eighth Grade Chorus

Darwun Amin
Zachary Ball
Ava Brainard
Chiara Carlino
Sydney Chenevert
Alivia Cline
Connor Cole
Izzabella Colwell
Arianna Correa-Burgio
Adrianna Danielson
Evan DiPasquale
Giuliana DeStafano
Lauren Engler
Emery Fancher
Aurora Forstadt
Gianna Garigol
Eliot Graffam
Myles Groff
Brady Harding
Madison Hartnett
Louise Harvey
Mary Harvey
Ella Healy
Morgan Hubacker
Tegan Hunt
Jibran Hussain
MIranda Kamuda
Taylor Kloc
Teagan Kwiatkowski
Abigail Kozak
Alivia Marrano
Alexandra McKernan
Lillian Muntz
Avianna Oaks
Olivia Paresi
Maci Pask
Shawn Peterson
Armani Pirela
Jason Poliukhovych
Ryleigh Rabin
Abigail Rae
Madelyn Randolph
Hayden Scrivani
Enaya Siam
Madelynn Smith
Anna Sorensen
Orrin Tauriello
Elizabeth Weiss*
Zoey Zulick

# Symphonic Orchestra

**Violin 1**

Lily Abdelwahab
Emily Au
Kara Bullard
Gabriella Crocker
Simone Groff
Arianna Hartman
Victoria Kiener
Aden Majewski
Kayla Matuszak
Lilly Panchal
Jackson Payne
Brinley Stevens

**Violin 2**

Mohammad Ahmad
Laurel Arlington
Ava Belz
Jaxson Betts
Sophia Cleary
Alexandria Dietz
Molly Frank
Gavin Gawron
Sophia Guida
Addison Long
Aubrey McGrath
Aarav Ramachandran
Arunas Selvadurai
Ella Stanley

**Viola**

Benjamin Annunziato
Braiden Calarco
Aiden Fermo
Ellie Fortunato
Adaline Siimmons

**Cello**

Lukas Chirayath
Regina Moon
Robyn Scherer
Thomas Selig
Read Showalter
Calista Viljoen
Moses Williams

**Bass**

Adam Bunk
Hunter Denison
Saifan Faizan
Ed Pearce



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# Acknowledgements

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**Mrs. Alicia Braaten** ..... Program Copies

**Rachel Welton** ..... Middle School Senior Custodian

*Thank You* for sharing our music with us this evening.

We gratefully thank those members of the faculty, staff, and administration who have contributed to the success of this performance. We also extend our warmest thanks to the students for their dedication, as well as parents & guardians for their continued encouragement, interest, and support.

*Happy Holidays*



# Coming Soon!

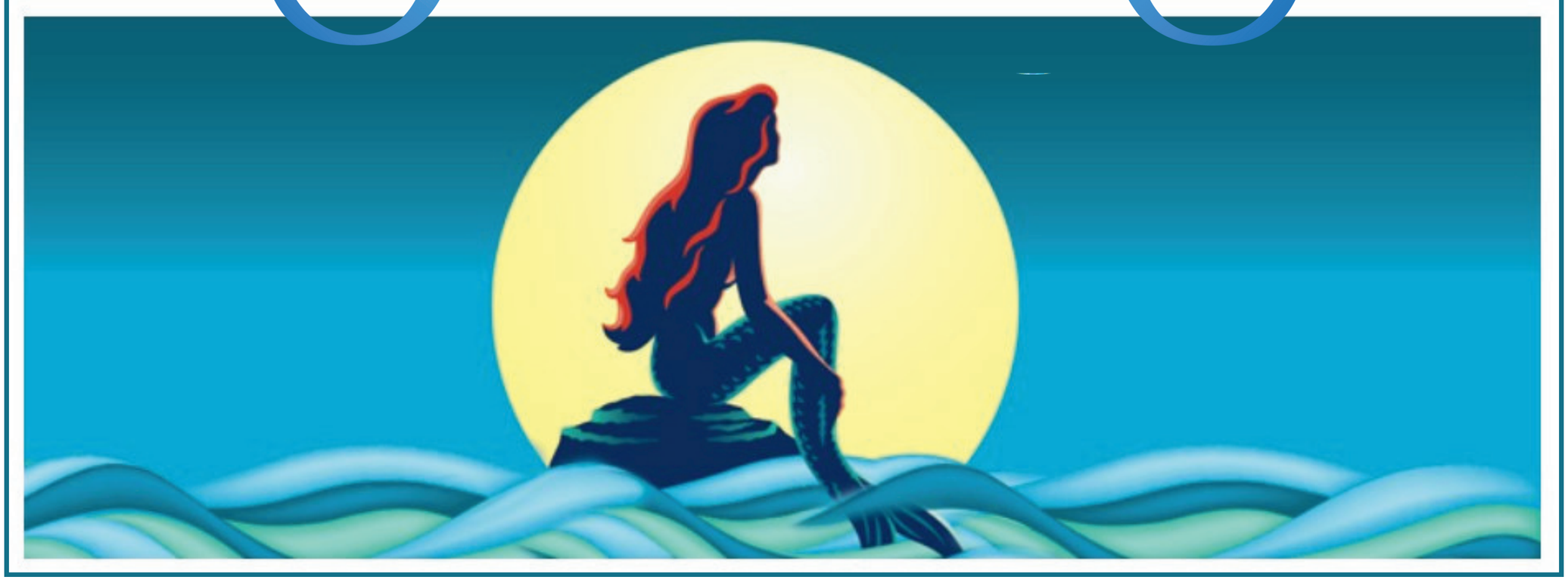
## February 6-8, 2025

## Clarence Middle School

## Presents

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# LITTLE Mermaid

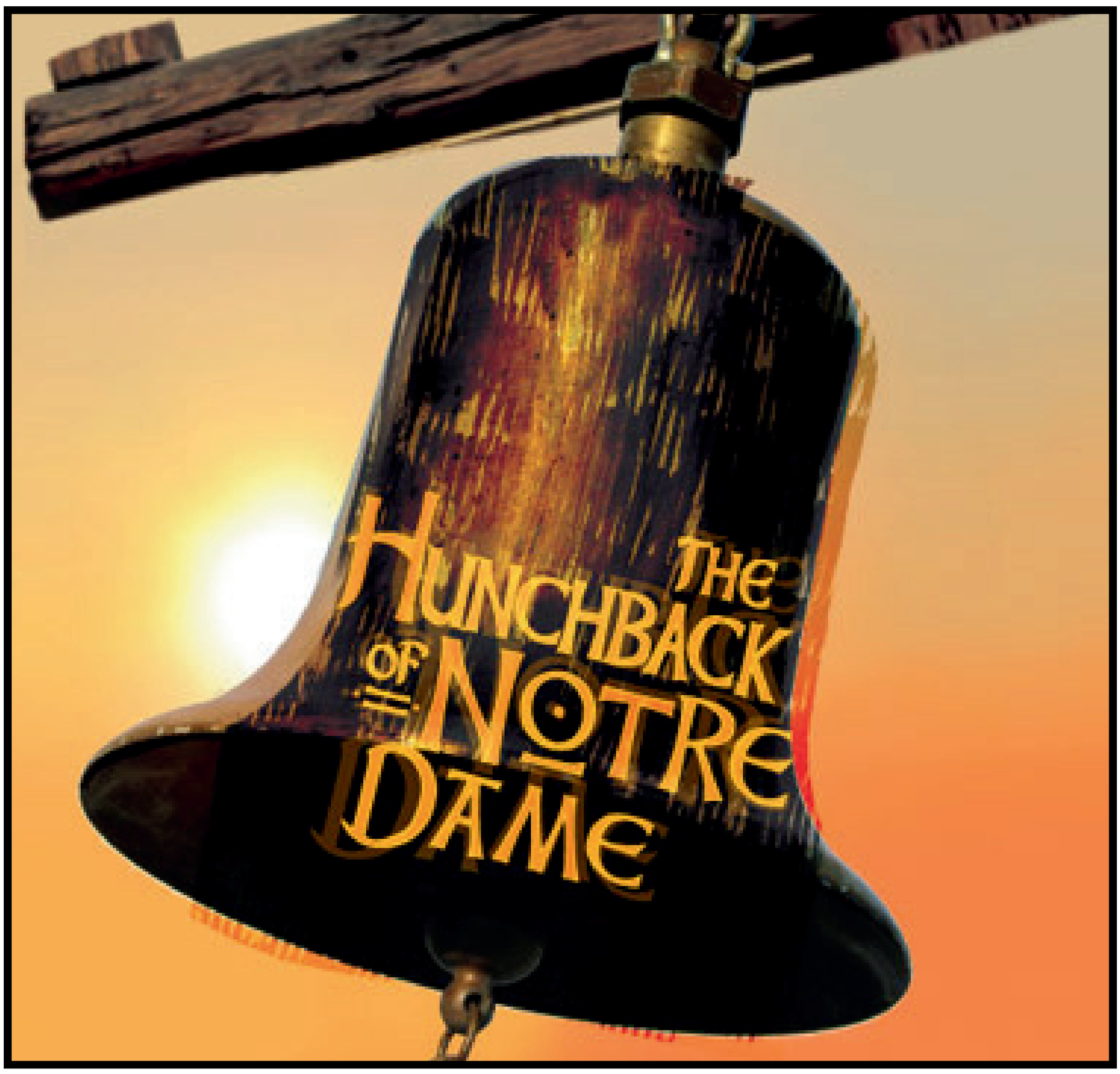


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## March 13-15, 2025

## CHS Drama Club

## Presents




## Ticketing information

**will be available on the Music News page 2-weeks prior:**

https://www.clarenceschools.org/music/music-news

# 2025 Upcoming Events

**See the Clarence Music Department web page for:**

Music NEWS, a complete list of upcoming concerts and events,
and to view and save the concert programs (keepsakes) online in COLOR!

**January 11, 2025**

All County Junior High North Vocal Auditions

**February 6-8, 2025 - 7:00pm**

CMS Musical - The Little Mermaid

**March 7-8, 2025**

Junior High North SSA Chorus All-County Rehearsals & Concert

**March 12, 2025 - 7:30pm**

CMS 7th Grade Chorus & Orchestra Concert

**March 17-20, 2025 and March 24-28, 2025**

CHS Choral Auditions for 2025-2026 Ensembles

**March 18, 2025 - 7:30pm**

CMS 6th Grade Chorus & Orchestra Concert

**March 19, 2025 - 7:30pm**

CMS 8th Grade Chorus & Orchestra Concert

**April 9, 2025 - 7:00pm**

Choirs in the Rounds Concert

**April 28, 2025**

Summer Vocal, Band, & Orchestra Lesson Registration Opens
(Registration is now online)

**May 21, 2025 - 7:00pm**

CMS Choral Festival

**July 7, 2025**

Summer Lessons Begin

# Congratulations!

TO CHS ***ANGELINA FETTERLY*** & ***DAVID BROPHY*** FOR BEING SELECTED TO TAKE PART IN THE ASPIRING VOICES PROGRAM WITH THE BUFFALO PHILHARMONIC CHORUS! THEY WILL PERFORM IN

**JOANNE'S CLASSICAL CHRISTMAS**

**DECEMBER 13 & 14, 2024**




**https://bpchorus.org.**

**Tickets for performances with the Buffalo Philharmonic Orchestra are available at BPO.org**

Clarence Music

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Ronald Case (1941-2024)
Betty Lou Cranston
William Eicher
Jill Fitzgerald
Christopher Gawlak
Beverly Hurst (1939-2022)
William Lambert
Robert Lehner
William Rich
Michael Reid
Ronald Sutherland
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George Whittier

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Cassandra Fish

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