

“MUSIC FOR LIFE!”
AT
FERRIS STATE UNIVERSITY

Music performance opportunities at Ferris State University are designed to supplement and enrich the lives of students by assisting them in making the transition from the high school musical setting to the world of adult amateur musical ensembles. FSU students can continue to develop their musical skills and be prepared for a rewarding musical “life after college” by participating in Ferris’ musical ensembles that include both university students and members of the community – the format of the majority of community ensembles throughout the country. In this way, we aspire to *inspire* all FSU students to continue to enrich their lives and the lives of others as active performers of music – for life! Please Contact the FSU Music Center at (231) 591-2501 for more information.

THE FSU SYMPHONY BAND

The FSU Symphony Band is sponsored by Ferris State University as part of its *Music for Life!* initiative. The FSU Symphony Band presents a series of varied and diverse concerts throughout the year. It is comprised of Ferris State University students, adult community members, and talented young musicians from high school programs from throughout West Central Michigan. Ferris students can earn credit and scholarships for their participation in the FSU Symphony Band by enrolling in Music 160. Adult community members and qualified high school students recommended by their directors may participate free of charge. The band rehearses every Wednesday evening throughout school year. Every summer, the band presents an outdoor concert series on Thursday evenings for six weeks as the FSU Community Summer Band, which holds rehearsals on Monday evenings in the Music Center on FSU’s main campus. We encourage and invite all experienced players of brass, woodwind and percussion instruments to join the band. Please contact Scott Cohen at (231) 591-2484 or rscohen@ferris.edu to get signed up!

RICHARD SCOTT COHEN, MUSICAL DIRECTOR

Scott Cohen is Associate Professor and Director of Concert Instrumental Ensembles at Ferris State University. He is director of the FSU Symphony Band, the FSU West Central Concert Band, the FSU Community Summer Band, and the FSU West Central Chamber Orchestra, and he teaches courses in music appreciation. A native of Chicago, Cohen is a Phi Beta Kappa scholar from the University of Illinois, holds masters and doctorate degrees in conducting from Northwestern University, and is a former Fulbright Scholar to Spain. He is active as a conductor, trombonist, composer, arranger, music adjudicator, researcher, author and lecturer throughout the United States, Canada and Europe.

UPCOMING MUSICAL EVENTS
BY THE
FSU MUSIC CENTER ENSEMBLES
2008-09

NOVEMBER 16 (SU) **FALL ORCHESTRA CONCERT**
4:00 p.m. G. Mennen Williams Auditorium FSU West Central Chamber Orchestra

DECEMBER 4 (TH) **HOLIDAY JAZZ & CHORAL CONCERT**
8:00 p.m. Big Rapids High School Auditorium FSU Jazz Band & Choirs

DECEMBER 7 (SU) **SYMPHONIC SANTA SUNDAY**
4:00 p.m. G. Mennen Williams Auditorium FSU Concert Bands & Orchestra

FEBRUARY 24 (SU) **WINTER CONCERT**
4:00 p.m. G. Mennen Williams Auditorium FSU West Central Concert Band & FSU West Central Chamber Orchestra

MARCH 3 (TU) **JAZZ BAND & CHOIR CONCERT**
8:00 p.m. Big Rapids High School Auditorium FSU Jazz Band & Choirs

APRIL 21 (TU) **SPRING CHOIR CONCERT**
8:00 p.m. Rankin Center Dome Room FSU Choirs

APRIL 22 (WE) **SPRING BAND CONCERT**
4:00 p.m. G. Mennen Williams Auditorium FSU Symphony Band

APRIL 25 (SA) **SPRING JAZZ CONCERT**
8:00 p.m. G. Mennen Williams Auditorium FSU Jazz Band & FSU Alumni Jazz Band

APRIL 26 (SU) **SPRING BAND CONCERT**
4:00 p.m. G. Mennen Williams Auditorium FSU West Central Concert Band

MAY 3 (SU) **SPRING ORCHESTRA CONCERT**
4:00 p.m. G. Mennen Williams Auditorium FSU West Central Chamber Orchestra

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THE
FERRIS STATE UNIVERSITY
MUSIC CENTER

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The FSU Symphony Band

4th Concert Season • 2008-09

Dr. Richard Scott Cohen, Musical Director

FALL
BAND
CONCERT

8:00 p.m.
Wednesday • November 12, 2008

G. Mennen Williams Auditorium