

Joy ReSOUNDing!

Phillip Clements, 2021-22 TBA Past President

Joy! This seemed to be the common expression on people's faces at this year's TBA Convention/Clinic. What an unbelievable experience it was to reunite with friends and colleagues and be reminded of what talented and dedicated band directors we have in our state. We were again reminded that we are not alone, but we are one of many music educators who work diligently on behalf of students. As members of this connected community, we are each stronger!

As you continue through the year, please hold onto this feeling. Reach out to your fellow directors, mentors, and colleagues when you need help, encouragement, and support and to provide encouragement and assistance for them. It is important to be a point of joy for your students, and I encourage you to find ways to recharge and reignite your passion so that you can share that with your students every day. We all know that challenges still lay ahead, but we must remind students of what is good in the world. Meet them where they are, help them improve, and then praise that improvement at every opportunity. By doing this, you will again arrive at the level of performance and musicianship that you desire for your ensembles and students. Be patient with your students and with yourself and continue to move forward. The path may be longer than you would wish, but a day spent making music is a good day!

As I reflect on the convention, I must take time to thank all the people who made this year's convention such a success and one of our most highly attended TBA conventions

ever. The combined efforts of the TBA Board of Directors, Spouses Board, TBA Executive Director, Mike Brashear and Office Administrator and Exhibit Manager, Robin Williams, were inspiring to watch. In addition, the convention staff of Priscilla Brashear, Charlie Munsell, Chuck and Sue Kuentz, Baylor Herrera, and Michelle Gordon deserve our appreciation for their selfless dedication to the organization. A special thanks to Richard Herrera for coordinating our Academy for New Teachers and to Frank Troyka for coordinating our Virtual Student Day.

I would be remiss if I didn't thank our business partners, exhibitors, and sponsors who re-joined us this year to make the convention a success.

On a personal note, I want to say that it has been one of the highest honors of my career to serve this organization as President for the past two years.

I want officially to welcome Jennifer and Jerriald Dillard to the TBA Board of Directors and say a special thank you to outgoing Board Member John Morrison and his wife, Dena, for their friendship and eight years of dedicated service to TBA.

I am already looking forward to the TBA 75th anniversary convention in 2022 and know that you all will want to be with us as we celebrate 75 years of TBA next July. My best wishes to you all for a safe, productive, and rewarding year.



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