

TBA Legends

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LEGEND...Think back over the 75-year history of the Texas Bandmasters Association. Imagine getting to be a fly on the wall listening to the wealth of knowledge during 75 years of presentations, concerts, exhibit hall conversations, talking shop on the San Antonio Riverwalk, and learning from the band director LEGENDS that set the foundation for Texas bands.

Now picture who those band director LEGENDS are for you. We all have them in our minds even without saying a name. There are North Texas, East Texas, South Texas, West Texas, Central Texas band director LEGENDS for all of us. We live by their sound concepts, breathing concepts, articulation systems, rehearsal techniques, woodwind/brass/percussion pedagogy, community involvement, and work ethic that taught us to make a great Texas band program. In those 75 years of TBA, the LEGENDS shared their stories, journeys, triumphs, and challenges that got them there.

Joining our fraternity of band directors in July is your first step to taking your own legendary journey. **LEARN, EXPERIENCE, GIVE, EDUCATE, NOURISH,** and **DEDICATE** your own path for student success.

L **LEARN** from the best. Learn from your peers. Learn by observing demonstration groups. Learn beginning methods. Learn marching band techniques. Learn how to work with school administration. Learn concert band rehearsal strategies. Learn how

to have a successful first year or last year. Learn jazz improvisation. Learn the newest gadget on the Exhibit Hall floor. Learn about a mariachi rehearsal. Come **LEARN!**

E **EXPERIENCE** live music by our country's incredible military and community bands. Experience live music by a world class jazz artist. Experience a world class mariachi. Experience family events for all. Experience peer interaction. Experience new music in every genre.

G **GIVE** back to your profession by supporting TBA with your attendance. Give to your students by bringing them to Student Day. Give to your boosters by sharing our Booster Day and the resources that will help them support your students. Give to yourself the opportunity for professional growth and development specifically in your own field of expertise.

E **EDUCATE** yourself on the latest marching techniques whether teaching military style, small school band, big school band, battery percussion, or even color guard. Educate yourself on public relations for your program. Educate yourself on the newest technology for the band hall. Educate yourself on sustainability in our profession. Educate yourself on good health habits. Educate yourself on diversity in your program.

N **NOURISH** your musical ears and refresh with world class concerts. Nourish your conducting skills. Nourish your understanding of score study. Nourish and renew your friendships with Texas band directors

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your appetite with some great BBQ and San Antonio cuisine. Nourish your relationships with staff members on a great educational journey to San Antonio.

D **DEDICATE** yourself to professional development that ultimately will impact your students, and community. Dedicate the time and investment made by attending TBA realizing every experience will make you a stronger teacher for your students. Dedicate your time to TBA and take a few days from summer band to attend and grow...this is where LEGENDS are made.

You see over those 75 years of the Texas Bandmasters Association those people you pictured in your mind falling in that status of respect **LEARNED, EXPERIENCED, GAVE, EDUCATED, NOURISHED,** and **DEDICATED** their musical journey so their bands, students, and community would reap the rewards. Maybe 30 years from now when the same question is asked, a Texas band director will think of YOU because of the investment you made in yourself to become a Texas Band LEGEND!

On behalf of the Board of Directors and Executive Director Mike Brashear, I look forward to welcoming you to the 75th Texas Bandmasters Association Convention/Clinic in beautiful San Antonio Texas on July 21-23! Our featured clinician is Professor Eugene

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Migliaro Corporation and featured composer is Omar Thomas. Dr. Tim Lautzenheiser and Mariachi Sol de México will open the convention. **Live** Student Day and Booster Day returns. Featured concerts by the U.S. Navy Concert Band, U.S. Air Force Band of the West, Mariachi Sol de México, Cedar Park and El Paso Winds will be showcased throughout the convention. Composer Charles Booker Jr. will debut a commission honoring TBA's 75th Anniversary. World class jazz clarinetist Doreen Ketchens from New Orleans will perform and present a clinic. There are clinics for middle school directors, high school directors and all directors. Topics include personal growth, inspiration, jazz, mariachi, recruiting, retention, and technology. We will welcome everyone at our BBQ on Wednesday night that will include free boat rides along the San Antonio Riverwalk. DCI returns to the Alamodome on Saturday, the last day of the convention. We will honor our Meritorious

Award winners Beth Bronk, Sherry Poteet, and Susan Scarborough. Administrator honoree is Arturo Valdez III. Pyware will be recognized for the Industry Award along with band program honorees Tejada MS and Westlake HS. Our business luncheon will honor Texas Bandmaster of the Year Rey Meza. Don't forget about the TBA Academy for first year teachers and the TBA social events like the Golf Tournament, Fun Run, Tennis Tournament, and Washer Chunkin'. Jackie Sandoval and the Spouses Board have fantastic excursions and activities planned for families throughout the convention. TBA can be a family tradition!

All convention details and registration information can be found on the TBA website. We are also working on a 75th Anniversary memory book that will be posted on the website to reflect the amazing historical journey TBA has made for Texas bands.

See you soon...it is going to be **LEGENDARY!**