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Band Camp Hits the Right Notes with Kids this Summer

Oakville, Ontario, March 29, 2022 – After two years without instruments, Bandology's Band Camp for teens is back this summer with a return to concert band. Their sixth annual Band Camp for teens, a week-long music day camp, runs July 11-15 in north Oakville, alongside Band Camp Junior for kids ages 6-12.

With health regulations changing, Bandology is pleased to return to a concert band-style music camp this year which includes wind blowing instruments, based on the music curriculum campers learn in Halton area schools. There is also a parallel music stream for campers interested in other forms of music.

Campers play in a concert band setting with other kids their age under the guidance of experienced professionals, resulting in a concert on the final day. Band Camp features special guests and performers, as well as games, activities and plenty of outdoor time. Most importantly, campers will have the opportunity to socialize with other young musicians, providing valuable social and mental health interactions.

"It's been a tough couple of years for kids when it comes to music," says Lisa Michaels, co-founder of Bandology. "Camp is always a fun and safe place to express yourself and we are delighted that kids can finally pick up an instrument and play together."

A second week of Band Camp is being offered in the Kitchener/Waterloo and Guelph areas during the week of July 18-22.

Should provincial regulations regarding COVID-19 change, Bandology will adjust their performance and safety protocols and pivot to a music camp with reduced aerosol risk.

Registration is now open for kids in grades 1-12 at www.bandology.ca. Parents are encouraged to reach out to ask questions about the camp. Band Camp takes place in the music room at King's Christian Collegiate in north Oakville. The Grand River area camp is held at St. John's-Kilmarnock School located between Waterloo and Guelph.

Bandology provides other opportunities for young musicians to play, including the Play A Gig program, which connects young musicians with performance opportunities in the

community and online. Bandology also works to promote and advocate for the long-term value of music education. More information can be found at www.bandology.ca.

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