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Band Camp Returns to KW this Summer

Kitchener-Waterloo, Ontario, April 18, 2023 – Young music students looking to make some noise this summer now have somewhere to go that not only enjoys music but actively encourages it. Bandology is pleased to announce that they will be returning to Kitchener-Waterloo for their second annual Band Camp in the region, which will run July 24-28.

At Band Camp, teens play in a concert band setting under the guidance of experienced professionals, culminating in a concert on the final day. Band Camp Junior, for kids in grades 2-6, focuses on hands-on introductory workshops on a variety of musical instruments and styles. Both camps feature special guests and performers, as well as games, activities and plenty of outdoor time.

“Camp is a place to grow, make friends and have a blast,” says Sandy Wright, Education Manager at Bandology. “Making music helps kids do all three, and they also get to learn something new! They develop so much during the week, it’s always impressive.”

Marcia Connolly will serve as Music Director for Band Camp. Connolly has been teaching in the Waterloo region for over a decade and is currently the Head of Music at Bluevale Collegiate Institute. She has performed with the Wellington Winds and the Age of Majority Singers.

Previously, she served in the Canadian Armed Forces where she was a member of the Band of the Ceremonial Guard in Ottawa as well as the Royal Hamilton Light Infantry. Connolly has conducted both instrumental and choral ensembles and is passionate about the role of music in creating positive spaces in the community.



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This is the seventh year that Bandology is hosting Band Camp. With more and more music classes returning to concert band instruments this past year, Bandology is eager to bring more of this type of programming to students in the area who miss music making during the summer.

“Band camp is a fun, safe and educational experience.” says Ryan MacKinnon, Community Programs Manager at Bandology. “Music is a challenging yet fun way to step out of your comfort zone and learn skills that will last a lifetime.”

Registration is now open for kids in grades 2-12 at bandology.ca. Parents are encouraged to reach out with any questions about camp. The location of Band Camp Grand River will be confirmed closer to the date.

Band Camp is also offered in north Oakville during the week of July 10-14 and in Guelph from July 17-21.

Bandology is a Canadian non-profit dedicated to more music for more kids via education, collaboration and community. Based in Oakville, Ontario, it provides young musicians with more opportunities to play, learn and be inspired. Learn more about Bandology’s programs and services at bandology.ca.

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