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Music Making Camp Set to Return this July

Oakville, Ontario, April 18, 2023 – Student musicians looking for an engaging and fun opportunity this summer will be excited to learn that Band Camp will be back again this July. Bandology's seventh annual Band Camp for teens, a week-long music day camp, runs July 10-14 in north Oakville, alongside Band Camp Junior for kids in grades 2-6.

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 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.

"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."

Colin Clarke, an accomplished conductor, clinician and composer, will serve as Music Director at Band Camp. Currently, Clarke serves as the Artistic Director for the Oakville Symphony Youth Orchestra and of the Oscar Peterson Program at the Royal Conservatory of Music, among other roles.

Clarke is best known for his position as the Artistic Director of the Toronto Youth Wind Orchestra (TYWO) which he founded when he was still a high school student. The TYWO is considered a leading Canadian performance ensemble and has won multiple awards for its hard work and dedication.

Bandology will also be running two additional camps this summer. A new location in Guelph runs July 17-21 and the second annual Band Camp for the Kitchener-Waterloo area takes place from July 24-28.



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“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.”

Registration is now open for kids in grades 2-12 at bandology.ca. Parents are encouraged to reach out with any questions about camp. Band Camp Halton is held at King’s Christian Collegiate in north Oakville.

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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