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Band Camp Invites Kitchener-Waterloo Music Educators to Support Local Youth

Kitchener-Waterloo, Ontario, June 24, 2026 – Bandology is featuring several local musicians and educators to participate in their upcoming Band Camp Kitchener-Waterloo, taking place July 6-10. These clinicians will work with young campers to develop their knowledge and experience in music.

Band Camp, for campers in grades 7-12, offers the chance to play in a concert band setting with like minded teens their age. With Band Camp Junior, those in grades 1-6 can explore their love of music through games and hands-on demonstrations. Both groups of campers get the opportunity to benefit from the guidance of experienced music professionals.

Michael Kallinis is a recent graduate of Wilfrid Laurier University's Faculty of Music where he studied the tuba. He has served as assistant conductor to the Kitchener Waterloo Youth Orchestra and the Laurier Academy of Musical Arts's Next-Gen Youth Orchestra. Kallinis completed a directed study in Wind Band Conducting with Dr. Leah McGray and conducted the Laurier Wind Orchestra twice in concert.

Paula Kokot is a saxophone teacher based out of Stratford. She holds a Master's Degree in Performance and Literature from Western University as well as a Bachelor of Music from Wilfrid Laurier University. Kokot is a member of the Szivi Saxophone Quartet as well as the Wellington Wind Symphony and the Stratford Concert Band.



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Max Lindsay is a graduate from Wilfrid Laurier University, an emerging percussionist, improviser and progressive thinker. Lindsay has worked with several different music organizations around Kitchener-Waterloo such as Kitchener-Waterloo Symphony Orchestra, Kitchener-Waterloo Chamber Orchestra and Open Ears Festival. Lindsay has a passion for the integration of interdisciplinary arts in common practice and helping the arts thrive together through these challenging past few years.

Dr. Leah McGray will act as Music Director for Band Camp. She is the conductor of the Wind Orchestra at Wilfrid Laurier University. In addition to her work as conductor, clinician and adjudicator, McGray has also developed research into non-verbal leadership, and wind ensemble repertoire by traditionally underrepresented composers.

Dr. Jonathan Roswell has a Doctor of Musical Arts in tuba performance from the University of Toronto and plays tuba with the Stratford Festival. In addition to his role as musician, he is an educator, clinician and composer who performs throughout Ontario with groups including the Trillium Brass Quintet, Kitchener-Waterloo Symphony, Canadian Opera Company Orchestra and the National Ballet of Canada Orchestra.

Trevor Wagler is the owner and Director of Premier School of the Arts as well as a freelance French horn player, conductor, composer and clinician. As well as being the conductor of the Waterloo Concert Band, Wagler founded the Kitchener-Waterloo Youth Concert Band.

Wendy Wagler is Principal Flute with the Kitchener-Waterloo Chamber Orchestra and an active freelancer with many other ensembles. She maintains the largest flute teaching student base within Waterloo region in addition to her roles within the KW Woodwind Quintet, Anemoi Flute Quartet and the Phoenix Trio.



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Bandology's Band Camp runs in Kitchener-Waterloo from July 6-10 at Rockway Mennonite Collegiate in Kitchener. This will be their fifth year running camps in the Waterloo Region. Registration is open for kids in grades 1-12 at bandology.ca. There are still very limited spots open for Band Camp.

For campers and their families who face financial difficulties, subsidies of up to 90% are available as are free instrument loans from Bandology's Instrument Lending Library. Parents are encouraged to reach out to camp@bandology.ca for more information.

Band Camp is also offered in Halton from July 20-24 and August 10-14, and in Guelph from July 27-31.

[Bandology](http://bandology.ca) 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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