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Halton Music Educators Join Band Camp to Support Local Youth

Oakville, Ontario, July 27, 2026 – This summer Bandology will be featuring several local musicians and educators at their tenth annual Band Camp Halton, running from August 10-14. 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.

Laurissa Chitty holds a Masters in Music from the University of Ottawa and Bachelor of Music from Wilfrid Laurier. Chitty has performed as the second violinist of the Saint John String Quartet and the Principal, Second Violinist for Symphony New Brunswick. Chitty currently plays with the Oakville Symphony Orchestra and has enjoyed a career in private teaching.

Madison Deppe is an experienced flautist who performs in solo, chamber and orchestral settings all across Ontario. Holding an Honours Bachelor of Music in Flute Performance from Western University, she now performs as the Principal Flute with the Sinfornia Ancaster and performs regularly with a number of symphony orchestras. Outside of performing, Deppe is also an educator who maintains a large private flute and piano studio and is a flute instructor at Redeemer University. Deppe has a long history of helping others to develop their skills having frequently led sectional rehearsals and workshops.



Cindy Gollinger has an extensive history in performance starting with learning to play piano when she was eight. Since then, Gollinger has learned how to play the flute, saxophone, clarinet and oboe; and has gone as far as playing each one in orchestra pits. Gollinger performed with the Northdale Concert Band and the Toronto Wind Orchestra for 25 years and has been teaching in her private studio for even longer. Having majored in Music Education at Western University and then completing a Bachelor of Education at Windsor, Gollinger is proud to have taught piano, saxophone and clarinet in her private studio for more than thirty years. Currently, Gollinger has set her musical sights on the clarinet and will be joining us at Band Camp as our reeds clinician.

Lorenzo Guggenheim began his career as an orchestra conductor at the age of 23 when he was chosen to conduct at the world-renowned Teatro Colón and immediately afterward conducted the National Symphony of Chile. Since arriving in Canada in 2018, Guggenheim has served as the Music Director of the Oakville Symphony and the University of Toronto Campus Philharmonic Orchestra; the latter of which he founded. Guggenheim also founded the Canadian Studio Symphony during the height of the pandemic which he then recorded the album Evocations by Felipe Téllez. Guggenheim has received enormous critical acclaim for his conducting and will serve as Band Camp's guest conductor.

Andrew Thies is a multi-instrumentalist, clinician and composer, who completed his Bachelor of Music at McMaster University and a degree in Music at Mohawk College. Thies now runs his own recording studio and teaches for the Halton District School Board as well as serving as a drumline instructor.

Andrew Quinn will act as the Music Director for this year's Band Camp. He holds a Bachelor of Music with an Honors specialization in Music Education

from the University of Western. There, Quinn participated in the Young Winds Program where he helped to provide students from his community with quality instrumental music education. Quinn then earned a Bachelor of Education from York University. Inspired by his passion for community-focused music, he is now a dedicated music educator within the Halton District School Board.

Bandology's Band Camp runs in Oakville from August 10-14 at King's Christian Collegiate. This will be their tenth annual Band Camp in Oakville. Registration is open for kids in grades 1-12 at bandology.ca and there are still spots open.

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.

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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