



Senior Commercial Band

Gresh B. Laing, Director

Live at Hub City Vinyl
Hagerstown, Maryland
March 15, 2026 | 2:00 pm



The Senior Commercial Band is an exciting small ensemble experience, bringing commercial/modern music to the All State level. The band is a flexibly instrumented emerging ensemble concept using music from a variety of genres. Working with industry professionals and rehearsing/performing in a live music venue gives these musicians the experience of a lifetime!

SET LIST

Title	Artist	Composition, Arrangement & Lyrics	Rights
Lettsanity	Lettuce	Adam Deitch, Rashawn Ross	Lettuce
Do I Do	Stevie Wonder	Stevie Wonder	Universal Music Group
Talk It Up	Sammy Rae & The Friends	Sammy Rae, C-Bass Chiriboga, Will Leet, James Quinlan, Kellon Reese, Debbie Tjong, Max Zooi	Network Music Group
Man I Need	Olivia Dean	Olivia Dean, Tobias Jesso Jr., Zach Nahome	Universal Music Group
Something to Talk About	Bonnie Raitt	Shirley Eikhard	Capitol Records, LLC
Blame it on the Boogie	The Jackson 5	Dave Jackson, Mick Jackson, Elmar Krohn	Epic Records
Sorry	Justin Bieber	Justin Bieber, BloodPop, Julia Michaels, Skrillex, Justin Tranter (arr. Audrey Couch)	Def Jam Recordings
I Just Might	Bruno Mars	Bruno Mars, Christopher Brody Brown, Dernst "D'Mile" Emile II, Philip Lawrence (arr. Audrey Couch)	Atlantic Recording
Maneater	Hall & Oates	John Oates (arr. Miley Cyrus)	RCA Records
Smooth	Carlos Santana & Rob Thomas	Itaal Shur, Rob Thomas	Arista Records/BMG
Proud Mary	Tina Turner	John Fogerty	Liberty Records
Hey Jude	The Beatles	Paul McCartney	Paul McCartney

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VOCALS

Makenzee Adams	Annapolis High School - Apex Arts	Anne Arundel
Nyima Zember	Barbara Ingram School for the Arts	Washington
Julian Rey Maring	DeMatha Catholic High School	Private School
Kathleen Werth	Walt Whitman High School	Montgomery
Hannah-Lydia Tieyap Kamseuh	Barbara Ingram School for the Arts	Washington

ELECTRIC GUITAR

Ben Anastasio	Towson High School	Baltimore County
Émile I. Meléndez Santiago	Bethesda-Chevy Chase High School	Montgomery

ELECTRIC BASS

Alexander Eloff	Old Mill High School	Anne Arundel
Gideon Berland	Wilde Lake High School	Howard

KEYBOARD

Ryan Barrett	Barbara Ingram School for the Arts	Washington
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DRUMS

Derrin Brown Jr.	Broadneck High School - Apex Arts	Anne Arundel
Noah Rivera	Wilde Lake High School	Howard

ALTO SAXOPHONE

Max Balto	Loyola Blakefield	Private School
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TENOR SAXOPHONE

Ariel Greenberg	Walt Whitman High School	Montgomery
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TRUMPET

Angela Aparicio	Barbara Ingram School for the Arts	Washington
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VIOLIN

Alice Bradley	Walter Johnson High School	Montgomery
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CELLO

Brianna Price	Barbara Ingram School for the Arts	Washington
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Gresh B. Laing - Director

Master Chief Musician (USN., Ret.) Gresh Laing is thrilled to serve as the 2026 Maryland All State Senior Commercial Band Director. With 25 years of experience in music education and performance, Laing is an accomplished saxophonist and educator, currently serving as an Instructional Systems Specialist at the Center for Service Support in Newport, Rhode Island. Holding a Master's in Human Relations from the University of Oklahoma and a Master's in Education from American Intercontinental University, he brings a wealth of expertise to music instruction. As Senior Instructor at the US Navy School of Music in Virginia Beach, Virginia, Laing was named Senior Instructor of the Year for training dozens of Navy and Marine Corps rehearsal directors and hundreds of accession-level trainees in contemporary music, concert

band, marching band, and chamber ensembles. A specialist in jazz, funk, and cover band music, he excels at replicating iconic saxophone lines, transcribed solos, and style-appropriate improvisation. While at the Navy School of Music, Laing also facilitated the Tom Jackson live performance method workshop, enhancing musicians' stage presence, audience interaction, and show preparation. His conducting philosophy centers on immersing performers in the original music, mastering its essence, and curating setlists using the Tom Jackson energy method to captivate audiences. At the 2026 Festival, Laing aims to inspire Maryland's young musicians to personify their music, engage audiences, and create powerful moments. He is dedicated to fostering an inclusive, dynamic environment where students deliver unforgettable performances.

MMEA would like to thank the Maryland Band Directors Association (MBDA) and the board, staff, and volunteers for making this event possible!

MBDA Leadership

President: Scott C. Engel
President-Elect: Dr. Susan Eckerle

Ensemble Co-Managers: Scott Benford and
Jennifer Rivera
Ensemble Chaperone: Han Flach-Goff

Equipment Manager: Arielle Miller

MMEA Leadership

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Communications Manager: Kayde Deardorff

MMEA would also like to thank our contracted on-call medical support staff, Milo Taylor.

MMEA/MBDA wishes to congratulate and thank the Music Educators of the above students for their commitment and dedication. In addition, appreciation is also given to the All State audition judges and volunteers for their time and support of our Maryland music education community.



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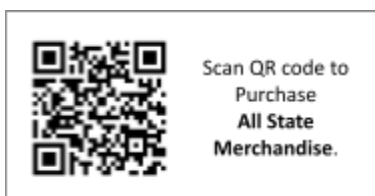


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