



**PALMETTO CONCERT BAND TO PERFORM
TWO CONCERTS THIS FEBRUARY**

COLUMBIA, SC (January 29, 2016) — The Palmetto Concert Band is pleased to present two concerts this February in the Columbia metro. The band's first February performance, presented as part of the South Carolina Music Educators Association 2017 Conference, will take place at the University of South Carolina Alumni Center in Columbia, SC at 2:00 PM on Saturday, February 4, 2017. The second concert, presented as part of the University of South Carolina Band Clinic, will take place at the Koger Center for the Arts in Columbia, SC at 7:30 PM on Saturday, February 11, 2017. Seating for both concerts is General Admission; no tickets are required.

Program to include:

Overture to "Candide" - Leonard Bernstein (trans. Grundman)

Trittico - Valclav Nelhybel

Lincolnshire Posy - Percy Aldridge Grainger

Russian Christmas Music - Alfred Reed

About the Palmetto Concert Band

The Palmetto Concert Band was founded in 1999 by James K. Copenhaver and William J. Moody, and is comprised of professional and semi-professional musicians. A large majority of the ensemble's members are alumni of the University of South Carolina's School of Music, and more than half are public school band directors. These experienced performers, who receive no compensation for participating, choose to play with the ensemble because of their passion for making music and performing outstanding repertoire composed or transcribed for the wind band.

Now in its seventeenth season, the Palmetto Concert Band performs under the direction of Scott Weiss, Director of Bands at the University of South Carolina. In addition to performing a season of free concerts in the Columbia area, the ensemble has also been featured on the international stage, including invitations to perform at the 1999, 2008, and 2016 Midwest International Band and Orchestra Clinic in Chicago, Illinois; the South Carolina Music Educators Convention in Charleston, SC in February 2005; the American Bandmasters Association's 76th Annual Convention in Charleston, SC in March 2010; the North Carolina Music Educators Convention in Winston-Salem, NC in November 2011; and gave the finale concert at the 2016 National Band Association Convention in February 2016.

For more information about the Palmetto Concert Band and their upcoming performances, please visit www.PalmettoConcertBand.com.

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