

Sixteenth Avenues: Exploring Band and Jazz Methods

Queen Elizabeth II Music Building
Brandon University School of Music

Monday and Tuesday, August 25-26, 2025

Schedule of Events – *Subject to Change*

Monday, August 25, 2025

- 9:00 *Registration* (QEII Lobby)
Please bring primary and secondary instruments for active learning!
- 9:30-5:00 *Resource Room* Open (1-08, Board Room)
- 9:30-10:00 *Welcome, Announcements, and Opening Remarks*
Strengthening our Professional Learning Relationships
Dr. Wendy Zander and Janet Yochim (1-57)
(Submit orders for lunch on Tuesday.)
- 10:15-11:15 *Music and Global Competencies: Communicating with Stakeholders*
Rob Chrol (2-02)
OR
Different Strokes for Drumming Folks: Fundamentals of Stick Control and Technique
Professor Eric Platz (1-43)
- 11:30-12:30 *Repetition without Redundancy: Customizing and Expanding Classroom Routines for Warmups and Rehearsal*
Janet Yochim and Justine Burke (1-20)
OR
Advanced Rehearsal Techniques: Student Focus and Critical Thinking in High School Rehearsals
Dr. Wendy Zander (2-02)
- 12:40-2:00 *LUNCH* – Please join us for lunch at *Aalto's Garden Café* (piano area)
(Canad Inn 1125 – 18th Street)
- 2:00-3:00 *Building a Foundation: New Repertoire for Beginning Band*
Wendy Zander (2-02)
OR
Jazz Rhythm Section: Defining Roles, Creating Balance, & Managing Tone
Professor Diogo Peixoto (1-20)
- 3:00-3:15 Coffee and Resource Rooms
- 3:15-4:30 *Wellness, Mindfulness, and Resilience*
Dr. Sheila Scott (1-20)
- 4:30-6:20 DINNER

- 6:30-7:30 *The Clarinet Doctor: Learn How to Diagnose and Treat Common Clarinet-Playing Problems*
Dr. Catherine Wood (2-02)
OR
Jazz Improvisation
Anna Penno (1-20)
- 7:30-8:30 *Conducting: Designing Meaningful Gesture and Clarifying Purpose*
Dr. Wendy Zander (1-20)
- 8:45 Social Time at *The Dock* – Please join us! (1133 Princess Avenue)

Tuesday, August 26, 2025

- 9:00-5:00 *Resource Room* Open (1-43, Suzuki Room)
- 9:00-10:10 *Building Better Brass Players*
Dr. Nora Wilson (1-57)
OR
Communication: Building Positive Relationships with Administrators, Colleagues, and Community
Janet Yochim (2-02)
- 10:10-10:30 *Coffee and Resource Room*
- 10:30-11:45 *Wave of Light: The Power of Music*
Pete Meechan (1-20)
- 12:00-1:30 *LUNCH* - Please join us at *The Dock* (1133 Princess Avenue)
- 1:40-2:40 *Lessons from Mother Earth: Engaging Students and Exploring Indigenous Principles of Learning (Jodie Blackshaw and Elaine McLeod)*
Anna Penno (1-20)
OR
Trans Advocacy in the Music Classroom and Beyond
Dr. Nora Wilson (2-02)
- 2:30-3:00 *Coffee and Resource Room*
- 3:00-5:00 *New Music Session*
Trish Howe, Long & McQuade Music (2-02)
- 4:30 *Closing Remarks – Avenues – August 24-25, 2026*
Wendy Zander and Janet Yochim (1-20)

*Individualized Conducting and Score Study Sessions available upon request

Brandon University Faculty Professor Diogo Peixoto
 Professor Eric Platz
 Dr. Sheila Scott
 Dr. Catherine Wood
 Dr. Nora Wilson
 Dr. Wendy Zander

Presenters Justine Burke, Beautiful Plains School Division
 Rob Chrol, Pembina Trails School Division
 Trish Howe, Long & McQuade Music
 Dr. Pete Meechan, Composer
 Anna Penno, Brandon School Division
 Janet Yochim, Music Education Specialist