

## PRESS RELEASE

Stambaugh Youth Concert Band opens 2017-2018 season with Fall concert

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For Immediate Release:

The Stambaugh Youth Concert Band (SYCB) will open the 2017-2018 season with their Fall concert on Tuesday, November 14<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm. Tickets are available beginning Monday, October 2<sup>nd</sup> at 10:00 am through the Florence and Ward Beecher Box Office at Stambaugh Auditorium.

The tentative repertoire for this November's performance will include:

- Festal Scenes by Yasuhide Ito
- *Rhosymedre* by Vaughan Williams
- The Gallant Seventh by John Philip Sousa
- Seis Manuel by Shelley Hanson
- The Ascension by Robert W. Smith

The SYCB is comprised of the top high school musicians from Northeast Ohio and Western Pennsylvania. The ensemble is currently under the direction of conductors, Dr. John Veneskey and Dr. Brandt Payne, and percussion instructor, Tyler Husosky.

The band rehearses weekly at Stambaugh Auditorium from September through April and presents two concerts per year. The Spring Concert traditionally features senior soloists, who are chosen through an audition process, as well as awarding the Barbara Armstrong Memorial Youth Band Scholarship to a senior musician.

If you wish to support the SYCB, contact the Administrative Office at Stambaugh Auditorium at 330-747-5175 for more information. For tickets to the November 14<sup>th</sup> performance, contact the Florence and Ward Beecher Box Office at 330-259-0555 or visit stambaughauditorium.com. The Florence and Ward Beecher Box Office is open Monday through Friday, 9am-6pm.

About Stambaugh Auditorium:

Stambaugh Auditorium is a non-profit public auditorium which opened in 1926 through the generous gift of Youngstown area businessman Henry H. Stambaugh. The centerpiece of the complex is the Concert Hall which has a seating capacity of 2,553 and is renowned for its near perfect acoustics. The auditorium also features a 9,700-square-foot ballroom (Jeanne D. Tyler Grand Ballroom), a recital hall (Anne K. Christman Memorial Hall), and a formal garden at the southern end of the building, all of which can be rented for public, business, or private functions. The venue welcomes national and international performers on a regular basis while also hosting local and regional events many of which use the Florence and Ward Beecher Box Office to sell and distribute tickets. Stambaugh Auditorium was listed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1984.