

# *Revolutions*

Featuring  
*Southern Winds*  
Conducted by Dr. Thomas Staples

MAY  
**19**  
7:30 PM

SOUTHMINSTER  
UNITED CHURCH  
(1011 4 AVE S)

TICKETS  
**\$15**

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# *Southern Winds*

## A New Wind Ensemble

**Southern Winds**, Lethbridge's newest wind ensemble, is made up of professional musicians from Southern Alberta and based in Lethbridge. The ensemble will perform their inaugural concert in May 2018, featuring monumental works that span generations, from military band beginnings to modern musical grandeur.

The musicians for the ensemble are drawn from the many stellar musicians from the Lethbridge region, but also Medicine Hat, Calgary, Edmonton, and Victoria. The professional musicians perform with a number of local ensembles and perform frequently in the region.

*Patron*  
\$250

8 tickets to concert, reserved in VIP section

Invitation for 2 to the musician luncheon on Saturday, May 19

Logo recognition on website, posters, programs, social media, and tickets

Quarter page ad in program

Recognition from the podium

# The Leadership Team

## *Dr. Thomas Staples*

Thomas Staples is Professor of Music and Director of Bands Emeritus at the University of Lethbridge. Retiring in 2015, he taught the conducting program, topics courses in wind instrument history and literature, and in music technology. In addition to regular performances as a horn soloist at the University of Lethbridge, he has been featured as a soloist with several bands and orchestras in Western Canada, most recently as a horn soloist with the Lethbridge Symphony Orchestra, and at The Call Of The Wild Horn Festival.

An advocate of music for brass ensembles, Staples has a lengthy background with chamber brass groups throughout North America and is hornist with the Aeris Brass Quintet.



Dr. Staples holds degrees from the University of Iowa, James Madison University, and the University of Saskatchewan.

## *Nick Sullivan*

After beginning his musical education in Lethbridge, Alberta, Nick Sullivan received a fellowship to undertake graduate studies at the University of Victoria. Unable to escape the lure of the Canadian West Coast, Nick returned to B.C. in 2013 to continue his studies at the University

of British Columbia, pursuing a Doctor of Musical Arts degree. Currently, Nick is on faculty at the University of Lethbridge in the Department of Music.

As a soloist, Nick enjoys searching for and commissioning new music for bass

trombone, and has a keen interest in vocal works transcribed for low brass. Nick regularly performs as a recitalist throughout Western Canada, and has been featured as a soloist with a number of local ensembles.

Active as an orchestral musician, Nick has worked with several orchestras across Canada, such as the Vancouver Symphony Orchestra and the Calgary Philharmonic Orchestra, and presently performs with the Lethbridge Symphony Orchestra.

Away from his trombone, Nick is an avid runner and can also be found working away in his garden or tending to his collection of Bonsai trees. Years of counting rests in the trombone section have given him a reserve of patience required to care for his miniature trees!



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## Dawn Leite

Dawn Leite is the Assistant to the Executive Director at the Allied Arts Council. It is with the Allied Arts Council that Dawn is able to provide a significant contribution to the Lethbridge arts community. She is a passionate advocate for the Performing Arts Center which she sees as a necessary step for Lethbridge to foster the music and theatre communities.

While teaching in the Lethbridge area, Dawn began work with the Lethbridge Symphony Orchestra in the capacity of Board member, later taking on paid positions including Orchestra Personnel Manager, Equipment/Stage Manager

and General Manager/Executive Director.

Dawn has served on many committees in Lethbridge and is currently the Chair of the Heart of Our City committee.



She lives with her husband Gregg (himself a tuba player) and their two canine children, Samson and Xander. Dawn can often be found playing clarinet with the Lethbridge Community Gold Band, the Polkaholix and teaching clarinet clinics.

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