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**Absolute Music Presents:**

**The**

**2024**

**Reed Performance Clinic**

October 19<sup>th</sup>, 2024

Clinic 1:00pm - 3:00pm

Performances 5:00pm - 7:00pm

Edward C. Reed High School

Sparks, NV

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Absolute Music is proud to sponsor today's Marching Band Clinic. Music Education is extremely important to us, and it is a key part of our mission to promote quality experiences like this for students in our community. We welcome and congratulate each of the programs that have elected to participate today. We hope that it is a great day for everyone involved.

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## About the Director



**Ron Eichstedt** is a native of Southern California, growing up in the Inland Empire area. Mr. Eichstedt attended Etiwanda High School under the direction of Don Jaramillo and later worked at Etiwanda until 2009 as a staff member.

During this time Mr. Eichstedt was actively involved in performing ensembles at Riverside City College and Chaffey College. Mr. Eichstedt was a member of the Pacific Crest Drum and Bugle Corps in 2004 and 2005 playing Contra (Tuba), Mr. Eichstedt was a staff member with Pacific Crest in 2006 and 2007. In 2010 Mr. Eichstedt moved from Southern California and transferred to the University of Nevada, Reno where he graduated with a Bachelors in Music degree, with an emphasis in Music Education in 2014. In the Spring of 2021 Mr. Eichstedt completed his Masters of Music degree in Music Education at the University of Nevada, Reno. In 2024-2024 Mr. Eichstedt will serve on the Brass Staff for Pacific Crest Drum and Bugle Corps based out of Diamond Bar, California.

The 2024-2025 school year will be Mr. Eichstedt's 11th year at Edward C. Reed High School.

## **Special Thanks:**

Josh Rosenbloom – Principal

Jennifer Ritch – Assistant Principal

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Dustin Biel - Assistant Principal

Kate Tousignant - Dean

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## 2024 Raider Band

The 2024 edition of the Raider Band consists of 78 performers from the Sparks area. This year's program is entitled "Nevada Noir: A Detective Story" which is the story of a detective coming to a new city and the cases they face.

### Staff

Visual: Nick Magana, Casey Lamb, Hunter Harkleroad, Paul Cochran, Seth Harris

Colorguard: Kayla Thompson

Percussion: Stephen Sperber, Justin Longroy, Alexis Zaragoza, Sierra Appleby

Student Teacher: Stephen Myler

### Design Staff

Music: Matt Miller, Stephen Sperber, Justin Longroy

### Drum Major

Ashley Stockton

Ava Gomez

Ella Furhman

### Booster Executive Board

Hillary Gomez – President

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Julie Lucas – Treasurer

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[www.raiderbands.com](http://www.raiderbands.com) – Official Band Website

# Welcome

Greetings,

We welcome you to the 2024 Reed Performance Clinic. Edward C Reed High School is very proud to be home to one of the finest performing arts programs in northern Nevada, and this is the result of high quality educators and talented, hardworking students. We celebrate our band program, and are excited to collaborate with the students coming to us from schools across northern Nevada participating this weekend. We welcome all to Reed and are excited for you to have a positive musical experience.

Sincerely,

Josh Rosenbloom  
Principal at Reed HS

# Performance Schedule

4:50 pm - National Anthem by Fernley HS

5:00 pm – Churchill Co. HS

5:15 pm – Carson HS

5:30 pm – North Valleys HS

5:45 pm – Break

6:00 pm – Edward C. Reed HS

6:15 pm – Elko HS

6:30 pm - Break

7:00 pm - Awards

## Churchill County High School

### Fallon, NV

Show Title: How to Survive a Zombie Apocalypse

Director(s): Melissa Juceam

Staff: Jan Bice

## Carson High School

### Carson City, NV

Show Title: Imaginarium

Director(s): Nick Jacques

Staff: Emma Brown, Shanti Johnson, Chris Reichhold, Jennifer Simkins, Emma Thomsen

## North Valleys High School

### Reno, NV

Show Title: The Dark Mirror

Director(s): Tamara Frazier

Staff: Madison

## Elko High School

### Elko, NV

Show Title: Movements

Director(s): Jared Hearld

Staff: Emily Johnson and Kristen Gaul

## Announcer

**Dan Marran** - is an experienced marching band performer (Baritone Saxophone) and Drum Major dating back to the 1980's at Royal High School in Simi Valley, CA. He has served as the announcer for marching band events and winter indoor events in northern Nevada since helping to start the Nevada Day Battle of the Bands at Spanish Springs High School in 2013. Dan has been the voice of the "Pride of the Sierra", the University of Nevada Wolf Pack Marching Band since 2017, announcing the pre-game and halftime shows at all home football games as well as the event announcer for the Sierra Band Crusade. Dan is proud to have announced more than 100 events in the region, including returning to the Reed Performance Clinic for the third time.

## Clinicians

**Tony Christofano** - Tony started in the activity of Drum and Bugle Corps in 1966 and has been involved ever since then. He held offices as Contest Director and Judges Coordinator for Texas Color Guard Circuit from 1990 to 1997. Was a Regional Director for WGI from 1996 to 1999. After moving to Denver, Colorado in 1998 he went to work for Winter Guard International as the Contest Director from 1998 to 2003. Tony started to judge Winter Guard in 1984 and ventured to marching band in the 1990's judging Visual Captions and Color Guard and still does so now. He spent the last nine years judging for Winter Guard Arizona and Arizona Marching Band Association and is the past Judges Coordinator for AZMBA. In the past has been a judge for the Texas Color Guard Circuit, Rocky Mountain Color Guard Association, WTCA, CSBC, NNIA and SCSBOA. Over his 59 years of being in the activity he has taught units in Pennsylvania, Ohio, Texas, Colorado and Arizona. Tony is also the owner of T & K Flag Designs and makes flags for units all over the country. Tony is currently living in Rocky Point Sonora Mexico with his husband Martin and 6 dogs.

**Sean Phelan** - Sean Phelan has been the Assistant Director of Athletic Bands at the University of Houston since 2022, where he is also the Finance and Operations Manager for the UH Moores School of Music. A native of Waukesha, WI, he holds a master's degree in conducting from the Indiana University Jacobs School of Music as well as a bachelor's in music education and mathematics from the University of Wisconsin-Madison.

Previously, Sean was the Director of Athletic Bands and Associate Director of Bands at the University of Minnesota Duluth. Prior to that, he taught at Hendrickson High School in Pflugerville, TX, where he led the Hawk Band to appearances in the finals of the Bands of America San Antonio Super Regional Championship and in the Texas UIL State Marching Contest. Sean has also served as Director of Orchestras and Associate Director of Bands at Oconomowoc High School in Wisconsin.

Sean was the Brass Caption Manager for the Pacific Crest Drum and Bugle Corps from the 2019 summer season through 2024. In Sean's tenure, the corps achieved organizational-record results in the Drum Corps International summer tour. He previously served as a brass instructor and later Brass Caption Head for the Madison Scouts Drum and Bugle Corps.

**Shilo Stroman** - Armed with his dad's record collection, a toy drumset played with chopsticks and an empty basement, Shilo Stroman's musical journey began. As an educator, Shilo is Senior Instructor of Percussion and Jazz at Colorado State University. Shilo's love of travel and sharing his passion for music education has led him to presenting clinics, adjudicating festivals and judging competitions throughout the United States. He is very active in the marching arts and recently served as the Artistic Director and Front Ensemble Caption Head/Arranger for the Battalion Drum and Bugle Corps in Salt Lake City, UT. He also arranges marching band and WGI shows for high schools across the country. A versatile performer, Mr. Stroman's credits range from playing triangle in symphony orchestras, electric bass in salsa bands, drums in funk bands and flower pots in chamber groups. In

2016 he commissioned and performed the world premiere of "Scala Enigmatica" by James David for solo vibraphone and wind ensemble. Shilo's contemporary jazz quartet, Square Peg, released their first recording, "Searching" in 2013. In 2006, he commissioned and performed the world premiere of "Sticks and Stones" variations for drumset and wind ensemble by Jim Bonney. Shilo is a Yamaha Performing Artist and a proud endorser of Promark, Evans, and Sabian products.

**Jane Strawn** - Jane has been an educator and designer for a host of championship finalist colorguard programs in DCI, WGI, WGASC, and more. As a performer, Jane was a DCI and WGI finalist with Spirit of Atlanta, Carolina Crown, Chimeras Winter Guard, and Crown Guard. She was an instructor for Carolina Crown, Crown Guard, and Corona Winter Guard. Jane's passion for education has led her to be an instructor and show designer for high school and college programs in Indiana, California, and Nevada, working with Diamond Bar HS (CA), Foothill HS (NV), Coronado HS (NV), Damonte Ranch HS (NV), UNLV, UNR, and many more. Jane currently resides in Reno, NV where she continues to work as a designer, clinician, and adjudicator.

The Reed High School program is currently endorsed by the following organizations:



Special Thank You:

Josh Rosenbloom – for your constant support of Performing Arts.

Catalina Aguilar – for your donation of food and today's Director Hospitality.

Absolute Music - for sponsoring this event and providing the clinicians at no charge to the programs.

Raider Band Association – for providing help today in concessions, guidance and setup. We really couldn't do this without your help!

Thank you for attending the Reed Performance Clinic, it is our goal to help strengthen Performing Arts in our community and foster education. Your students have done an amazing job and put in countless hours for only a few minutes of performance. We here at Reed want to help recognize that work and help expose students to new knowledge and techniques that can help elevate that performance at no cost to the students or programs. We look forward to seeing your groups next year and wish you safe travels on your drive home.

Thanks,

Ron Eichstedt

Director of Bands

Edward C. Reed High School



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