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19th Annual Boardman High School Jazz Fest

The 19th annual BHS Jazz Fest will take place Tuesday, March 26 at 7:00pm in the Boardman Performing Arts Center. The event will feature BHS Jazz Ensembles 1, 2, and 3, the 8th Grade Jazz Ensemble and very special guest artist Andy Martin. The Jazz Fest has consistently grown in popularity and attendance due to its tradition of high-quality performances and talented guest artists. Admission at the door is \$5.00. Senior citizens will be admitted free of charge. Doors open at 6:15pm.

You have heard Andy Martin play the trombone. You may have even seen him. When *Dancing with the Stars* used to use a full orchestra, Andy would occasionally appear in the television shot. If you've seen a movie or watched any popular TV shows or the major award programs, you've heard him. He can be heard on the soundtracks of over 150 major movies including *Armageddon, Cars, Frozen, National Treasure, Scary Movie 2, Spider Man, and Vegas Vacation.* Television credits include *American Dad!, C.S.I., Family Guy, The Simpsons, Gossip Girl, JAG,* and *Lost.* Besides having 12 albums of his own, Andy has recorded with the likes of The Pussycat Dolls, Coldplay, Michael Buble', Bette Midler, Brian Bromberg, Harry Connick, Jr., Horace Silver, Louie Bellson, Lyle Lovett, and Arturo Sandoval. Martin's connection with Boardman came in 2014 when BHS Jazz Ensemble 1 opened for Gordon Goodwin's Big Phat Band at Stambaugh Auditorium. Besides the Big Phat Band, he plays in every major big band in and around Los Angeles.

The Jazz Fest begins on Monday, March 25 with an open rehearsal/clinic from 1:00-3:00pm in the Boardman Performing Arts Center. This event is free.

The concert on Tuesday begins at 7:00pm with a performance by Boardman's 8th Grade Jazz Ensemble followed by BHS Jazz Ensemble 3 and Jazz Ensemble 2. Jazz Ensemble 1 is the headliner. Andy Martin will appear with each group and mostly with Jazz 1. His featured selections include "Caravan," "Black Orpheus," "A Beautiful Friendship," and "Alone Together." Boardman Director of Bands Thomas Ruggieri has chosen some other tunes on which to feature Martin and the trombone section including tunes he has recorded with the Big Phat Band like "September" and "Hit the Ground Running."

Ruggieri is proud to add Andy Martin to the list of local and famous guest artists to play with the Jazz Ensembles. Past guests include Roger Ingram, Joe Graziosi, Mike Tomaro, John Reese, Janet Opritza-Davis, Bernie Dresel, Jack Schantz, Maynard Ferguson, Randy Purcell, and Phil Woods. The Jazz Program continues to collect honors and unique opportunities including opening acts for Gordon Goodwin's Big Phat Band and the Buddy Rich Big Band. Jazz 1 and 2 have played several engagements at New York City's famous jazz club Swing 46, B.B. King's Blues Club, and The Blue Wisp in Cincinnati, BluJazz+ in Akron, and The Brothers Lounge in Cleveland.

Jazz goes year-round at Boardman. The schedule for this year's Summer Jazz Ensemble includes appearances at Firestone Park in Columbiana, Boardman Park, Waterworth Memorial Park in Salem. Check the Boardman Band Website at www.boardmanband.org for complete information.

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