



SASKATOON CONCERT BAND

Friend of the Band Program

We have been making music in Saskatoon under various names for more than 60 years and this year, we celebrate 50 years of entertaining Saskatoon audiences as the Saskatoon Concert Band.

It is a costly venture to run a successful community band program. Here are just some of the costs involved:

- Costs of putting on a concert – facility rental, truck rental, advertising, printing, tickets
- Music – scores are \$75-\$150+
- We own our own band hall and pay taxes, utilities, upkeep and maintenance.
- Instruments – purchase, repair and maintenance

Owning our own hall gives us an opportunity to do more than just have a dedicated rehearsal space. We contribute to the development of music by offering space to musical groups at a more reasonable rent than they could otherwise obtain. Currently the Saskatoon Lions Band which offers opportunities for youth, and the Saskatoon Philharmonic Orchestra use our facilities. We also offer use of our facilities to music groups for short term engagements.

In order to keep our program operating at the level it does we rely on the generous support of individuals and businesses. We are a registered charitable organization, and will issue a tax deductible receipt for all donations of \$20 and more.

Our Friends of the Band program seeks support from those interested in supporting music and arts in Saskatoon. It consists of 3 levels:

SPONSOR

BENEFACTOR

FRIEND



SPONSOR \$1,000+

Donors at the SPONSOR level will receive, as appropriate:

- Recognition as the primary sponsor of one of our annually programmed concerts as well as recognition as a sponsor in all concert programs.
- An insert in the program for that concert advertising their organization.
- Acknowledgement as primary sponsor in all advertising and publicity material.
- Special mention of, and thanks for, your sponsorship during concert announcements.
- 6 complimentary tickets to the sponsored concert.
- Business card size ad in all other annually programmed concerts.



BENEFACTOR \$500-\$999

Donors at the BENEFACTOR level will receive, as appropriate:

- Recognition as a supporting sponsor of one of our annually programmed concerts as well as recognition as a supporting sponsor in all concert programs.
- Acknowledgement as supporting sponsor in all advertising and publicity material.
- Special mention of, and thanks for, your sponsorship during concert announcements.
- 4 complimentary tickets to the sponsored concert..
- Business card size ad in all annually programmed concerts.



FRIEND up to \$499

Donors at the FRIEND level will receive:

- Recognition as a FRIEND in all concert programs.

Other Ways to Contribute

There are ways to contribute other than a cash donation. You may, for example wish to target a specific area, or make a donation in kind. For example, providing discounts on printing, transportation, or other services. We gratefully acknowledge assistance in these and other areas.

The **Saskatoon Concert Band** has been entertaining audiences in Saskatoon since 1949, first as the 23rd Wing Reserve Band, then in 1964 as the Saskatoon Concert Band. Over this time, we have seen many, many musicians perform in our bands. They are now to be found all over the world, many as professionals, not only in music, but in other fields as well. In addition to our 5 annually scheduled concerts we perform at Remembrance Day, Sundog Faire, and other events such as the Queen's visits, and welcoming attendees to the Mayor's Gala in 2013.

Our concerts also serve as a venue to support young musicians in the city. At least once each year, we host a band of young musicians from the school system or elsewhere. It is a highlight of our year for us, and gives these up and coming young people a tremendous opportunity to perform with an accomplished group of adult musicians.

We take pride in performing and promoting music in Saskatoon, but we always need financial support to help us continue to do so in the future.