

A very warm welcome to this evening's concert - thanks very much for coming along.

West Bergholt Band was formed 44 years ago by a distinguished army bandsman who retired to West Bergholt and became one of Colchester's most popular peripatetic music teachers. As a result, the band in those early days was comprised of predominantly school-age musicians, as anyone Sid taught (including myself, my siblings, and my future wife) were recruited into the band.



Sid passed away in January 1990 and since then the band has matured into a group which is blessed with musicians of all ages. However, as young musicians tend to leave for University more often than older musicians do, the band perform regular events with schools to (hopefully) attract new players to help retain the mix of young & previously-young which keeps the band successful & vibrant. As the last few years have somewhat reduced the opportunities for these schools events, we are delighted to be here tonight and to be sharing the stage with the talented musicians from The Gilberd School. Hopefully a few more of them will join either our Training Band (Grades 1-4) or our Concert Band (Grade 4+).



After the terrific Army Band concert earlier this year, tonight provides another (all be it far less impressive) opportunity to perform in a full-sized concert band, this time alongside a mixture of expert players and players that the Gilberd musicians will be helping out as we play. As the concert is only the second time we've played these pieces together (or *almost* together) it goes without saying that the school musicians have done absolutely brilliantly.

Tonight's event wouldn't have been possible without the support of the staff from The Gilberd School (especially Mrs Joliffe who has worked tirelessly to pull this together) and of course to the Gilberd School musicians and their transport-providing parents & guardians. The band really do enjoy our schools events, so we're hugely appreciative for your support tonight and/or for taking part. I hope you enjoy the concert.

Graham.

For more information on the band please visit our website [www.wbcb.org](http://www.wbcb.org), or you can email me ([Conductor@wbcb.org](mailto:Conductor@wbcb.org)) or call me (07941 947541).

Thanks from the band to :

- Our guest players (Kyle, Louisa, Jeff, Leo, Neil)
- Ed for transporting our drums & stands
- Chris for music sorting & transporting
- Sian for printing these programmes



The Gilberd School



# Heroes & Villains

Friday November 18th 2022

Retiring collection for St Helena Hospice

# West Bergholt Concert Band

(Founded in 1978 by Mr Sid Cooper)

*Graham Wilson – Musical Director (1994-2022)*

## Training Band

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|----------------------------------|--|
| 1. The Mandalorian (*)           | Ludwig Goransson arr Robert Longfield    |
| 2. Defying Gravity               | Stephen Schwarz arr Michael Sweeney      |
| 3. If I Didn't Have You          | Randy Newman arr Michael Brown           |
| 4. Mission Impossible            | Lalo Schifrin arr Paul Lavender          |
| 5. Can You Feel The Love Tonight | Elton John / Tim Rice arr Johnnie Vinson |
| 6. Batman Movie Theme            | Danny Elfman arr Eric Wilson             |
| 7. Bad Bad Leroy Brown           | Jim Croce arr Eric Osterling             |
| 8. Try Everything                | Arr Matt Conaway                         |

(\*) Premiere performance

Come & see our...

## **Christmas Concert**

with Heathlands School Choir

**Saturday 17th December 7:30pm**

St Botolph's Colchester



## Concert Band

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| 1. Luftwaffe March                               | Ron Goodwin arr Desmond Walker   |
| 2. Pirates of the Caribbean (Symphonic Suite)    | Klaus Badelt arr John Wasson   |
| 3. Bella's Lullaby                               | Carter Burwell arr Paul Murtha<br><i>Featuring Mika, Nieve, &amp; the Flutes from The Gilbert School</i> |
| 4. Joseph And The Amazing Technicolour Dreamcoat | Lloyd-Webber / Rice arr M. Sweeney   |
| 5. Young Person's Guide to John Williams         | arr Jay Bocook   |
| 6. Signature Tune : Dixie Patrol                 | Harold L. Walters  |

## 2023 Concerts

Sunday 5th March 3:00pm - West Cliff Theatre, Clacton

Sunday 11th June 2:00pm - Outdoors Summer Concert

Saturday 15th July 7:30pm - "Sounds of Summer"

Saturday 18th November 7:30pm - Schools Concert

Saturday 16th December 7:30pm - Christmas Concert

## 2024 Concerts

Sunday 24th March 3:00pm - West Cliff Theatre, Clacton

*Details of all our events can be found on our website ([www.wbcb.org](http://www.wbcb.org)).*