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THE WORLD FAMOUS

CORY BAND

in Concert

Philip Harper, Musical Director

2026 NATIONAL CHAMPIONS OF GREAT BRITAIN

with the **DUBLIN SILVER BAND** · Tim Jameson, Music Director

Monday, October 26, 2026 · 7:30 PM

Gray Chapel · Ohio Wesleyan University · Delaware, Ohio

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CORY

WELCOME

A night fifty years in the making

Thank you for joining us. Tonight the Cory Band of Wales, crowned National Champions of Great Britain at London's Royal Albert Hall this month, plays its only Ohio concert, and its first in central Ohio, fifty years after the band's 1976 Bicentennial tour of the United States.

The evening opens with the Dublin Silver Band performing the program we take to the SIDDIS Brass contest in Stavanger, Norway, on November 7. After a short transition, Philip Harper and the Cory Band close the first half, then return after the interval for the second.

PART ONE	**Dublin Silver Band** *Det vi deler · That which we share* Tim Jameson, conductor
	Short transition
	The Cory Band Philip Harper, conductor
INTERVAL	Band merchandise is available in the lobby.
PART TWO	**The Cory Band** Philip Harper, conductor

Please silence your phone for the performance. Volunteers in the lobby are glad to help with seating and accessibility.

PART ONE · DUBLIN SILVER BAND

Det vi deler

THAT WHICH WE SHARE

> *Regardless of where we are from, humankind is linked by common sentiments. We are all proud of our heritage and home. We all feel joy and celebrate. We all love and seek love. We all wonder at the beauty of the natural world. We all have hopes for a better tomorrow. Tonight the Dublin Silver Band uses the voices of five American composers to tell five human stories with a distinctly American accent.*

PRIDE IN OUR HOMELAND

Liberty Fanfare ..... John Williams

arranged by Steve Sykes

JOY AND CELEBRATION

St. Louis Blues March ..... W. C. Handy

arranged by Tim Jameson

Scott Geyer, snare drum
Charlie Vidourek, soprano cornet
David Mazon, cornet
Bob Munson, Noah Laabs, Phillip Bloomer, Nathan Haley, tubas

LOVE AND LONGING FOR LOVE

Someone to Watch Over Me ..... George Gershwin

arranged by Joseph Turrin; adapted for brass band by Jeff Christmas; further additions and alterations by Tim Jameson

Nikki Mazon, flugelhorn

WONDER AT THE BEAUTY OF THE NATURAL WORLD

Appalachian Spring (excerpts) ..... Aaron Copland

arranged by Joshua Tyler Jameson

HOPE FOR A BRIGHTER TOMORROW

Somewhere ..... Leonard Bernstein

arranged by Eric Crees

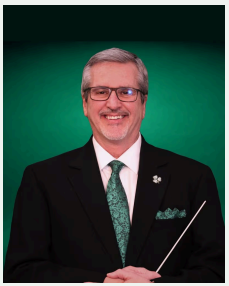
Becky Bloomer, David Mazon, Amy Baker, cornets

TIM JAMESON, CONDUCTOR



Dublin Silver Band

The Dublin Silver Band is a group of professional-level musicians who volunteer their time and talent because of three things they all have in common: a drive to chase perfection, a genuine affection for each other, and a passion for making connections with audiences on an emotional level. To make those connections, the band commits to performing far more than ordinary concerts, telling stories that engage the audience in the music. It is this approach that has earned the band an international reputation.



Tim Jameson MUSIC DIRECTOR

Tim Jameson has been Music Director of the Dublin Silver Band since its founding in 2010. He holds a Bachelor of Music Education from The Ohio State University and has spent most of his life directing community bands. In 1984 he became Director of the Rockwell International Concert Band in Columbus; when Rockwell closed its Columbus facility in 1988, he and John Bierley founded the Westerville Concert Band, which Tim directed until 2001. He then joined the Brass Band of Columbus as a cornet player, and four years later the members chose him to follow founder Paul Droste as Director, a role he held from 2005 to 2010.

Under his leadership the Dublin Silver Band has earned popular and critical acclaim and an international reputation for artistic excellence and creative performance, including North American Brass Band Association Championship first-place finishes in 2015, 2019 and 2025.

Personnel

DUBLIN SILVER BAND

SOPRANO CORNET
Charlie Vidourek

SOLO CORNET
David Mazon
Becky Bloomer
Amy Baker
Stephanie Ryan

REPIANO CORNET
Marty Maggart

SECOND CORNET
Gavin Newton
Brad Vrooman

THIRD CORNET
Joel Kirk
John Ruth

FLUGELHORN
Nikki Mazon

TENOR HORN
Dave Lambermont
Brian Vasilou
Dani Wadkins
Christine Hersh

BARITONE HORN
AJ Arriaga
Cherokee Miletti-Myers

TROMBONE
John Welsh
Leonard Benitez
Jordan Williams

BASS TROMBONE
Wil Myers

EUPHONIUM
Amy Bliss
Aaron Campbell

E-FLAT BASS
Bob Munson
Phillip Bloomer

B-FLAT BASS
Noah Laabs
Nathan Haley

PERCUSSION
Zack Mann
Ben Reineke
Scott Geyer
Garrett Lind

Music Director · **Tim Jameson**

SIDDIS BRASS

NEXT STOP: NORWAY

Ohio's band at SIDDIS Brass

On November 7, 2026, the Dublin Silver Band competes at SIDDIS Brass in Stavanger, Norway (on stage at 11:10 AM Norway time, 5:10 AM in Ohio), the first brass band from the United States ever invited to the contest.

SIDDIS Brass is one of Europe's most prestigious entertainment contests for brass bands. We will share the stage of the Stavanger Konserthus with more than 60 Norwegian bands, and we are only the second international band ever invited. The program you heard to open tonight's concert is the one we take to Stavanger.

Two days earlier, on November 5 at 7:00 PM Norway time (1:00 PM in Ohio), we join Riska Brass Band and Stavanger Brass Band in concert at Fredheim Arena in Sandnes.



Stavanger Konserthus · Stavanger, Norway

Follow the journey
Scan for the live map of where we are, Ohio and Norway clocks, and results on contest day.
DublinSilverBand.com/norway-2026



TONIGHT'S FEATURED BAND

The Cory Band

Founded in 1884 in the South Wales mining community of Ton Pentre, the Cory Band has grown into one of the world's most celebrated brass bands. Under the direction of Philip Harper, the ensemble has built an extraordinary record of international success, winning the European Brass Band Championship eight times, including a historic hat-trick from 2008 to 2010. The band has also claimed four World Music Contest titles and toured internationally, including acclaimed tours of Australia and the United States.

In 2016 Cory made brass band history as the first ensemble to hold the four major titles at once: European, British Open, National and Brass in Concert Champion. Beyond the contest stage, Cory has performed in the Royal Albert Hall, Amsterdam's Concertgebouw and the Grieg Hall in Bergen, Norway, and has premiered landmark works for the medium.

Cory has set a standard of artistry few ensembles in any genre can match. A performance of this caliber in central Ohio is a genuine rarity: an extraordinary opportunity to hear one of the world's finest brass ensembles firsthand.

THE CORY BAND

A tradition of champions

Recipient of the Queen's Award for Voluntary Service, 2022

NATIONAL CHAMPIONS OF GREAT BRITAIN

1974 · 1982 · 1983 · 1984 · 2000 · 2013 · 2015 · 2016 · 2019 · 2026

EUROPEAN CHAMPIONS

1980 · 2008 · 2009 · 2010 · 2013 · 2016 · 2019 · 2022

BRITISH OPEN CHAMPIONS

2000 · 2002 · 2007 · 2009 · 2011 · 2016 · 2018 · 2019

BRASS IN CONCERT CHAMPIONS

2008 · 2012 · 2013 · 2015 · 2016 · 2018 · 2019 · 2021 · 2024

WORLD MUSIC CONTEST CHAMPIONS

2009 · 2010 · 2011 · 2012

BAND CYMRU CHAMPIONS

2014 · 2018

WELSH NATIONAL CHAMPIONS

34 times

BRASSPASS BAND OF THE YEAR

2019

CORY



THE CORY BAND · MUSICAL DIRECTOR

Philip Harper

Philip Harper became Musical Director of the Cory Band in 2012. Since then he has won all the major trophies many times, including an unprecedented Grand Slam of major titles in 2016, repeated in 2019: the European, the British Open, the Nationals and Brass in Concert, all in a single calendar year. He won the 4barsrest.com Conductor of the Year Award in 2013, 2015, 2016, 2019 and 2020.

He has guest-conducted the Manger Musikklag in Norway, the National Youth Brass Bands of Great Britain, Switzerland, Wales and the Netherlands, and the Royal Philharmonic Orchestra Symphonic Brass, among many others. In 2021 he was awarded the Iles Medal by the Worshipful Company of Musicians for his services to brass bands, and in 2023 he was appointed an Honorary Fellow of the Royal Welsh College of Music and Drama.

Philip is known for entertaining concerts; one Cory player calls him a "raconteur" who engages the audience from the podium and during the interval alike. He describes a Cory performance as a journey from one unique destination to the next, gloriously vibrant or exquisitely tranquil: you just need to sit back and enjoy the ride.

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THE CORY BAND

Tonight's program

PART ONE *following a short transition*

Castell Caerffili — T. J. Powell

Jupiter from *The Planets* — Gustav Holst
arranged by Stephen Roberts

Magh Seola — Gerard Fahy
arranged by Sandy Smith
Cerys Nicholson, flugelhorn

Midway March — John Williams
arranged by Philip Harper

INTERVAL

PART TWO

Zoltraak — Evan Call
arranged by Philip Harper

Fantastic Polka — Arthur Pryor
arranged by Keith Wilkinson
Brett Baker, trombone

Suo Gan from *A Celtic Suite* — Philip Sparke

Kopanitsa — Andrew Baker
Darcy Beck, percussion

New York Rampage — Philip Harper

I Want to Break Free — John Deacon
arranged by Philip Harper

PHILIP HARPER, CONDUCTOR

THE CORY BAND

Personnel

PRINCIPAL CORNET
Kyle Lawson

SOPRANO CORNET
Jack Wilson

CORNETS
Gareth Johnson
Owain Llestyn
Becky Cale
Megan Newbery
Neil Blockley
Taddy Evans
Jeff Hutchinson
Rhys Evans
Daniel Sharpe

FLUGEL HORN
Cerys Nicholson

TENOR HORNS
Sheona White
George Fearnley
Eve Nixon

BARITONES
Charlie Boax
Andy Hicks

TROMBONES
Brett Baker
Rueben Jenkins

BASS TROMBONE
Andrew Williams

EUPHONIUMS
Anthony Smith
Cary Jones

E-FLAT BASSES
Will Marston
Kate James

B-FLAT BASSES
Rob Nicholson
Timothy Evans

PERCUSSION
Steve Jones
Ali Woodman
Matt Roche
David Mitchell
Darcy Beck

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WITH THANKS

On behalf of everyone in the Dublin Silver Band family, thank you to all who helped make this evening possible: our volunteers, Ohio Wesleyan University, Dublin Community Bands, and the Cory Band.

DUBLIN SILVER BAND · COMING UP

THU NOV 5
Riska Brass Band · DUBLIN SILVER BAND · Stavanger Brass Band
7:00 PM Norway time · 1:00 PM in Ohio
Fredheim Arena, Sandnes, Norway

SAT NOV 7
SIDDIS Brass Contest
On stage 11:10 AM Norway time · 5:10 AM in Ohio
Stavanger Konserthus, Stavanger, Norway

SUN DEC 13
Holiday Concert
7:00 PM
Linworth UMC, Columbus, Ohio

SUN DEC 20
Holiday Concert
3:00 PM
Northwest Christian Church, Columbus, Ohio

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