

High school musicians to perform

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Next Thursday is a regular old black letter day for everyone except Manhattan High School music students and their supporters, for whom the color is decidedly red: for next Thursday is orchestra and symphonic band day.

In plain talk, on Thursday evening the Manhattan High School Orchestra and Symphonic Band will be performing in concert in the High School Auditorium.

The Orchestra will be conducted by Janice Albright and amongst the items on the program will be *Music for the Royal Fireworks* by Handel (I take it that the full complement of two Serpents — the deep-pitched wind instrument — not to mention the fourteen bassoons, that Handel called for in his original instrumentation, will not be on hand, alas!), selections from *Carmen* and Vaughan-Williams' *Folk Song Suite*.

The Symphonic Band will dust off the old, but wonderful, stand-by, Holst's *Suite No.2* and will follow up with David Schaeffer's *Avantia*, *Momentia* by Jaread Spears and *Sea Fantasies* by Claire Grundman.

The Symphonic Band will be directed by Bill Harshbarger.

Amongst the non-musical but equally important events will be the announcements of the winner of the John Philip Sousa award to the outstanding senior bandsman and also of the winner of the National School Orchestra award.

The concert starts at 7:30 p.m. and admission is free.

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