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The Jamestown College Concert Band will open the festivities at 7:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 10, sharing the stage with the UMM Symphonic Winds and Wind Ensemble in the Humanities Fine Arts Recital Hall on the UMM campus. Composers featured in this performance will include Johann Sebastian Bach, Charles Ives, Nicolai Rimsky-Korsakov, Vincent Persichetti and Jack Stamp.

The second concert will be held at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 11 in the HFA Recital Hall. Opened by the UMM Symphonic Winds, this performance will include works by Leonard Bernstein and Karel Husa. During the second half, the UMM Festival Honor Band will close the festival with music by Larry Daehn, Ralph Vaughan Williams and John Barnes Chance.

This year’s festival, directed by Dr. Martin H. Seggelke, will feature two outstanding, internationally recognized guest conductors: Dr. Paula Holcomb, director of bands at the State University of New York at Fredonia and current president for the Northeastern Division of the College Band Directors National Association, and Professor Benjamin Schneider, director of bands and orchestra at Jamestown College in North Dakota. Both conductors are highly sought-after experts in their field and the UMM Symphonic Winds are very proud to host them.

The groups that will perform during the festival include the distinguished guest ensembles, the Jamestown College Concert Band from Jamestown, N.D. and the UMM Festival Honor Band featuring the finest high school students from Minnesota and the surrounding area, as well as the UMM Symphonic Winds and Wind Ensemble.

Tickets for each performance are $5 general admission and $3 for seniors and students. Parking is free in the North Campus Parking Lot, nearest to the HFA building. For further information, contact Judy Van Eps at vanepsja@morris.umn.edu or by calling (320) 589-6234 or Dr. Martin Seggelke at seggelke@morris.umn.edu or by calling (320) 589-6236.

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