

**Professor Richard Falco** is Director of Jazz Studies at WPI. He was the co-founder and Artistic Director of the Jazz Worcester Music Festival and a past president of the Jazz Worcester Society. He is Jazz Historian and a board member for the MA Association for Jazz Education (MAJE); a member of the College of Voters for the New England Jazz Alliance (NEJA); and is founder and director of the Jazz History Database museum. He is also Music Director of the Mechanics Hall Concerts for Kids: Conversations in Jazz. Falco's awards include the Henry "Boots" Mussulli Jazz Educator of the Year and the prestigious Lifetime Achievement Award from the Massachusetts Association for Jazz Education. Falco has created clinics, workshops and concerts with such luminaries as Dizzy Gillespie, Joe Lovano, Clark Terry, Sun Ra, Cyrus Chestnut, Marcus Roberts, Gary Burton and Pat Metheny. Jazz Ensembles under Falco's direction have toured Eastern, Central and Western Europe, North Africa and the Caribbean.



**The WPI Stage Band** embraces its role as an international jazz ambassador, maintaining an active schedule performing in concerts and festivals, on live television and radio broadcasts, recordings, and in joint programs with other U.S. colleges. Concert performances include contemporary big band and Latin literature as well as concert Master Works with special guest artists. The Stage Band has performed internationally in concert tours in more than 20 countries and have presented programs in some of the world's great concert venues.

**Lucia Clemente Falco** has been a ubiquitous presence in Central Massachusetts, spanning several decades, as an active concert, church and synagogue musician. She has performed solo organ recitals, duets, in orchestral performances and as accompanist for choral groups. She has been featured on numerous occasions on the historic E.&G.G. Hook Organ at Mechanics Hall. A diverse musician, her educational background includes both jazz and classical studies, and Lucia is equally at home in many musical genres. An active member of the AGO, Lucia is a Past Dean of the Worcester Chapter and current member of its executive board, and holds the degree of Colleague. She has served as organist and director of the noted music program at United Congregational Church and as organist/accompanist of Temple Emanuel (now Temple Emanuel Sinai) in Worcester. Currently, she holds the position of Director of Music at Holy Family Parish at St. Joseph Church and also Assistant Organist/Director at St. John's Catholic Church, Worcester.

**William Ness** retired from First Baptist Church in 2015, having served there for over fourteen years. Organ teaching is now a big part of his life teaching at Pakachoag Community Music School and privately. Being a church musician for over fifty years he has served congregations in Iowa, Michigan, Massachusetts, Tennessee, and now Connecticut. As a recitalist he has performed locally in many churches in Worcester County as soloist and collaborative artist. He is currently Guest Musician at First Church of Christ, Nashua, NH.

**Will Sherwood** is the Artistic Director for the Mechanics Hall Worcester Organ Concert Series and Principal Organist at Mechanics Hall. He has been Director of Music & Organist at First Unitarian for 30+ years, and is currently Dean of Worcester AGO. He has appeared as guest artist with the Boston Pops, and on concert tours in Europe and the U.S. For thirty years, he was a Sr. Engineering Manager at Intel and Digital (DEC). Since corporate retirement, he is CTO & Owner of Sherwood Hosting, providing graphic & web/database design, web hosting, and commercial photography.

## ***The Worcester Organ Concert Series***

*Will Sherwood, Artistic Director*

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# **All That (Holiday) Jazz**

## **A Festival Concert of Holiday Music**

WPI Stage Band - Rich Falco, director

with Lucia Clemente Falco, organ, Will Sherwood, organ & piano,

and William Ness, organ

**November 29, 2017, 12:00 noon**

## **PROGRAM**

Christmas Medley (Stage Band)

Carl Strommen (b. 1940)

Toccata On Adeste Fideles (Organ Solo)

Richard Purvis (1913-1994)

Audience Carol-Sing #1

O COME ALL YE FAITHFUL • JOY TO THE WORLD

Grand Fantasia On Joy To The World (Organ Solo) Marc Cheban (b. 1953)

The Christmas Song (Stage Band)

Mel Torme/Paul Jennings

Winter Wonderland (Organ & Stage Band)

Dave Barduhn (b.1950)

Audience Carol-Sing #2

WINTER WONDERLAND • WHITE CHRISTMAS

Big Band Holiday (Stage Band)

Kent, Coots, Martin, Blane, Nelson, Rollins; arr. Strommen

Sleigh Ride (Organ Duet)

Leroy Anderson (1908-1975)

Charlie Brown Christmas (Stage Band)

Vince Guaraldi, arr. Murtha

Have Yourself A Mery Little Christmas (Stage Band)

Hugh Martin & Paul Blane, arr. Paul Jennings

Good King Wenceslas (Organ Solo)

Edward Wetherill (1927-1990)

Good King Wenceslas (Stage Band)

Sammy Nestico (b. 1924)

Audience Carol-Sing #3

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**O Come All Ye Faithful,**  
Joyful and triumphant,  
O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem.  
Come and behold Him, Born the King of Angels;  
O come, let us adore Him, ...  
Christ the Lord.

Lo, humble shepherds, hasting to his cradle,  
leaving their flocks in the fields, draw near.  
We, to, with gladness thither bend our footsteps;  
O come, let us adore Him, ...  
Christ the Lord.

Sing, choirs of angels, Sing in exultation,  
Sing, all ye citizens of heaven above.  
Glory to God, all glory in the Highest;  
O come, let us adore Him, ...  
Christ the Lord.

**Joy to the World,** the Lord is come!  
Let earth receive her King;  
Let every heart prepare Him room,  
And Heaven and nature sing, ...  
  
Joy to the earth, now gladness reigns!  
Let hearts their songs employ;  
While fields and floods, rocks, hills and plains  
Repeat the sounding joy, ...



**Winter Wonderland**  
Sleigh bells ring, are you listening  
In the lane, snow is glistening  
A beautiful sight, we're happy tonight  
Walking in a winter wonderland  
Gone away is the bluebird  
Here to stay is a new bird  
He sings a love song, as we go along  
Walking in a winter wonderland

In the meadow we can build a snowman  
Then pretend that he is Parson Brown  
He'll say, "Are you married?"  
We'll say, "No man"  
But you can do the job, when you're in town.  
Later on, we'll conspire  
As we dream by the fire  
To face unafraid, the plans that we've made  
Walking in a winter wonderland

**I'm dreaming of a white Christmas**  
Just like the ones I used to know  
Where the treetops glisten and children listen  
To hear sleigh bells in the snow  
I'm dreaming of a white Christmas  
With every Christmas card I write  
May your days be merry and bright  
And may all your Christmases be white.

**American organ builders Elias and George Hook,** brothers from Boston, constructed the 52-stop, 3,504-pipe instrument in 1864. It is the oldest unaltered four-keyboard pipe organ in the Western Hemisphere located at its installation site. Restored in 1982, the Hook Organ since then has become one of the most popular and respected organs in the United States. It has been featured numerous times on National Public Radio, performed in several recordings, and has been featured on television and in a major motion picture, as well as in a music video starring Michael Crawford, the original *Phantom of the Opera*.

**Deck the hall** with boughs of holly,  
Fa-la-la-la-la, la-la-la-la...  
Tis the season to be jolly, ...  
Don we now our gay apparel, ...  
Troll the ancient Yule tide carol, ...

See the blazing Yule before us, ...  
Strike the harp and join the chorus. ...  
Follow me in merry measure, ...  
While I tell of Yule tide treasure, ...

Fast away the old year passes, ...  
Hail the new, ye lads and lasses, ...  
Sing we joyous, all together, ...Heedless of the  
wind and weather,...



**We wish you a Merry Christmas, ...**  
And a Happy New Year.  
Good tidings to you, And all of your kin,  
Good tidings for Christmas,  
And a Happy New Year.

Now bring us some figgy pudding  
Oh bring us some figgy pudding...  
And a cup of good cheer

We won't go until we get some  
So bring some right here

We wish you a Merry Christmas, ...  
And a Happy New Year.

## UPCOMING IN THE WORCESTER ORGAN CONCERT SERIES

**March 2018** 3PM FREE - "Symphonic Fusion" featuring the Hook Organ and the Worcester Youth Orchestra.  
*Program:* Tchaikovsky 1812; Elgar Nimrod; Holst Jupiter; Saint-Saens Organ Symphony.

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