## Carson High musicians achieve superior rating

## Nevada Appeal staff report

Both Carson High School Wind Ensemble and Concert Bands achieved superior ratings, which is the highest possible rating. Twelve bands from Churchill, Douglas, Fernley, and Dayton competed in the Northern Zone Nevada Music Educators Association High School Band Festival at the Carson City Community Center on March 7.

Led by Carson High School director of bands Bill Zabelsky, the

Carson High bands performed in front of an audience while being adjudicated and scored by judges. "An honor to stand in front of them," Zabelsky shared after their performances.

Come and support these award-winning musicians at the Carson City Band Association, Inc. third annual "Let's Wine Together" silent auction and raffle fundraiser on March 22 from 6-8 p.m. All proceeds raised will benefit Carson High School Band programs with music, scholarships,

uniforms, and instruments.

Many wouldn't be able to participate in band without this support. Tickets are \$25 and include delicious chef prepared hors d'oeuvres, two drink tickets, desserts, and music performances from Carson High ensembles. There will be many new silent auction items and raffle prizes. such as hotel and vacation stays, theatre and dinner tickets, sports memorabilia and tickets, ski passes, baskets donated by each ensemble and by local businesses.

Businesses donating items to the event so far are: Ticor Title of Nevada, The Eldorado, Reno Air Races, The Discovery Museum, Wild Island, Montblue Hotel & Casino, Harvey's Lake Tahoe, Reno Philharmonic, The Pioneer Center, Urban Air, Brainy Actz Escape Rooms, Lake Tahoe Cruises, Tahoe Brewfest, El Pollo Loco, The Atlantis, Carson City Yoga, Moana Nursery, Oriental Trading, Las Vegas Golden Knights, Reno Aces, Diamondbacks, Pittsburgh Steelers, San Francisco Giants.

Bro Bros. Baskets, Total Wine, Miracle Nails, Bella Salon, Pier 39 in San Francisco, Hotel Max & Black Bear Diner, Mom & Pop's Diner, Junkee Clothing, Cracker Barrel, Meek's, The Orleans Hotel in Las Vegas, Angelina's Italian Bistro, Mangia Tutto, Hot Spot Yoga, and Mt. Rose Ski Resort.

Carson High band students are selling tickets or you can purchase tickets at: https://ccbaisilentauction2019.eventbrite.com. For information call Dawn Cuellar, president CCBAI at 209-543-4056.



COURTESY

Combined bands perform at the 2018 Jazz Extravaganza concert.



## Jazz Extravaganza concert to benefit local music programs

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It's "big-band jazz times three" when the Mile High Jazz Band, Carson High Jazz Band and Carson Middle School Jazz Band present the 16th annual combined Jazz Extravaganza concert at 7 p.m. March 19 in the Bob Boldrick Theater at the Carson City Community Center, 851 E. William St., Carson City. The Extravaganza is sponsored by the Mile High Jazz Band Association and the Carson City Band Association as a benefit for Carson City school instrumental music programs.

Tickets prices are \$10 general admission and free for youth ages 18 and younger. Tickets can be purchased in advance from Carson High and Carson Middle School music students at the Nevada Day Office, 716 N. Carson St., online at www.milehighjazz.com or at the door. In addition to tickets, ads in the concert program are available beginning at \$30 for one-eighth page. For information, call the Mile High Jazz Band at 775-883-4154.

This year, the Extravaganza will feature three big bands, vocalist Jakki Ford and an intergenerational combo performance. The traditional grand finale, combining the forces of all the

musicians, will be "A Little Blues, Please" by Sammy Nestico. Refreshments and raffle prizes will be on sale in the lobby.

"We're so happy to perform with the high school and middle school jazz bands again," said David Bugli, Mile High Jazz Band leader and pianist. "These award-winning student ensembles are impressive and deserve community support."

The Carson High Jazz Band, directed by Bill Zabelsky, and the Carson Middle School Jazz Band, directed by Nick Jacques, attend and compete at jazz festivals each year and perform at community events throughout Carson City. The bands are zero-hour classes designed to teach students about jazz, the music that began in America and spread throughout the world.

The Mile High Jazz Band, a professional big-band, plays regularly in Northern Nevada, including monthly performances and quarterly Jazz and Poetry events in Carson City. They present the annual Jazz and Beyond: Carson City Music Festival each August.

This concert is funded in part by a grant from the Nevada Arts Council. For information, call Mile High Jazz Band at 775-883-4154 or see www.milehighjazz. com.