

2026

# ADULT CONCERT BAND WORKSHOP

**EARLY BIRD FEE - \$80  
BEGINS JULY 27TH  
\$95 AFTER OCT. 15TH**

**TWO BANDS!  
LEVEL 2/3  
&  
3.5/4**

NOVEMBER 14 & 15, 2026

LINDSAY THURBER  
COMPREHENSIVE HIGH SCHOOL  
4204 - 58 STREET  
RED DEER, ALBERTA



## WORKSHOP SCHEDULE

### SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 14

- 9:00-10:00 am - Coffee & Registration
- 10:00-noon - Rehearsal Session 1
- 12:00-1:00 pm - LUNCH (Cafeteria)
- 1:00-3:00 pm - Rehearsal Session 2
- 3:00-3:30 pm - BREAK
- 3:30-5:00 pm - Rehearsal Session 3
- 5:00 pm - DINNER ON OWN
- 8:00 pm - EVENING SOCIAL - Location TBA

### SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 15

- 10:00-11:30 am - Rehearsal Session 4
- 11:30-1:00 pm - LUNCH ON OWN
- 1:00 pm - CONCERT



#### TO REGISTER:

Visit the Alberta Band Association website -  
Adult Concert Band Workshop  
[www.albertabands.com](http://www.albertabands.com)



#### FOR ACCOMMODATIONS:

A block of 20 rooms has been reserved for  
Adult Concert Band Workshop participants  
until Oct. 15th. To get the special rate of \$119  
plus fees and taxes, please contact The  
Sandman Hotel and use Group ID 654367

<https://reservations.sandmanhotels.com>



#### Guest Conductor CHERYL FERGUSON

Cheryl Ferguson received a Bachelor of Arts in Music Performance (French horn) and a Bachelor of Science in Music Education from the University of Mary (Bismarck, ND). She has also done graduate work at Southern Oregon University, and has earned a Masters degree in Curriculum Studies (Music Education) at Acadia University (Nova Scotia). Cheryl has taught music at every level, including K-6 general music classes, ten years running junior high band programs, and has been in her current position as Director of Bands at Fort Richmond Collegiate since 2006. Cheryl has also been the Director of Concert Band at Canadian Mennonite University for the past 8 years. Cheryl has completed the Canadian Wind Conductor's Development Program Levels I and II. She is active as a clinician, adjudicator and guest conductor, including conducting the 2010 Manitoba Junior Provincial Honour Band, the 2017 Manitoba Intermediate Honour Band, and many regional Honour Bands across the Prairies. She has adjudicated at band and chamber music festivals across the Prairie Provinces and in North Dakota. She has also been a guest conductor for the Red Deer College Adult Concert Band, the Alberta Youth Wind Symphony, the Regina Catholic Schools Honour Band, and for the Prairielands Jazz Camp. The Fort Richmond Collegiate band program, under Cheryl's direction, was awarded the Don Green Award at the 2011 Optimist Band Festival in Winnipeg. In 2013, Cheryl received the Manitoba Band Association Award of Distinction recognizing an individual who has made an outstanding contribution to music education in Manitoba. In 2014, she received the I. Keith Mann Outstanding Band Director Award, national recognition given to one band director in Canada per year. Cheryl was also awarded the Community Hero Award from the Manitoba Legislative Assembly in 2018. Cheryl serves as French horn instructor at Canadian Mennonite University, and maintains a private studio of private French horn students. She continues to perform with the Winnipeg Wind Ensemble and the Ferguson Family Brass Quartet. She has conducted the Adult Advanced Band at International Music Camp for many years. In 2023, Cheryl was awarded the Queen's Platinum Jubilee Medal for outstanding service to the community and prioritizes volunteerism in her free time.



#### Guest Conductor CHRIS HERARD

Chris Herard is an educator, consultant, performer, director and keynote speaker on servant leadership. He currently is serving as Consultant, Fine and Performing Arts, K-12 CSSD, in Calgary, Canada where he oversees arts education in 118 schools for 50,000+ students. Previous to this position Chris was Director of Bands at Bishop Carroll High School. He has adjudicated and guest conducted in the Netherlands, Thailand, Brazil, Germany, Denmark, Malaysia, Taiwan, Hong Kong, China, Japan, Italy, USA and across Canada. In 2017 Chris conducted the Bishop Carroll High School Virtuosi Strings at the prestigious "Midwest Clinic" in Chicago, IL. In 2022, Chris was awarded the Canadian Band Association's "Community Builder Award", recognizing his contributions to the band community in Canada. Chris is a founding member of CADME, as well as SLAM, he founded Band Directors United, is a member of CARAS, the Alberta Band Association, the AIBF, Phi Beta Mu and WAMSB.