

New This
Year

Symposium highlights:

- PRACTICAL Techniques and Tips that you can apply on your next school day
- The opportunity to try technique suggestions on your instrument and receive immediate feedback
- Bring your instrument! You'll have the chance to participate in both the Masterclass as well as reading sessions sponsored by Harknett Music, St. John's Music and Yamaha
- Conducting techniques and delegate reading session
- Booths from both St. John's Music and Harknett Music

Location:

Agincourt C.I. is located at 2621 Midland Avenue, north of Sheppard.

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Beginning Band Symposium

with Clinician

Dennis Beck

featuring

**MPS Etobicoke Beginning
Band directed by John Alonso**

Saturday, October 1st, 2011
9:00 to 3:30

Agincourt C.I.
2621 Midland Avenue
Toronto, Ontario

Mail your registration to:

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Beginning Band Symposium 2011**

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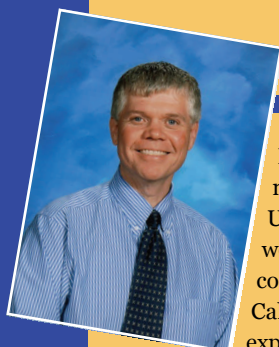


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Featured Clinician

Dennis Beck



Dennis Beck holds degrees in music and education from the University of Western Ontario, as well as a graduate diploma in conducting from the University of Calgary. In addition to teaching experience at the junior and senior

high school levels, he is a sessional lecturer in the Faculty of Education of the University of Toronto, was a wind ensemble conductor at Alberta College Conservatory in Edmonton for several years, and was formerly a clarinetist with the Edmonton Wind Sinfonia and the CBC's Edmonton Wind Ensemble. Mr. Beck is active as an adjudicator, guest conductor, and clinician, both in Canada and the United States, and is a member of the Canadian Festivals of Music Adjudicators' Association. He founded the Ontario chapter of Phi Beta Mu, the international band director's fraternal organization, and is a member of the College Band Directors National Association. He served as a vice-president of the Alberta Band Association, was a founding director of the Ontario Band Association and is a past-president of the OBA.

Recognized as an advocate for excellence in conducting, Dennis, with colleague John Phillips, founded the Unionville Wind Conductors' Symposium in 1994. It was the first ongoing, annual conductors' workshop in eastern Canada, and has been the catalyst for other conducting workshops in Ontario. In 2002, his Unionville High School Wind Ensemble was honoured by the Canadian Music Educators' Association with the Rosevear Award. In the fall of 2008, he was one of ten alumni of the Don Wright Faculty of Music, University of Western Ontario, named as the inaugural recipients of the university's Wall of Fame honour. In 2011, the OBA recognized him with an Honourary Lifetime Membership.

Why Attend BBS?

- Connect with other Ontario band teachers
- Rehearsal techniques and repertoire ideas
- Booths from Harknett Music and St. John's Music
- A masterclass ensemble that represents the sounds and squeaks of a "Beginning Band"
- *The chance to play!* Delegates are encouraged to bring an instrument on which they are experienced, for the afternoon reading sessions

This year's masterclass ensemble: Mississauga Private School Etobicoke

John Alonso is the Music Director at MPS Etobicoke; a small private school in Etobicoke. He is a graduate of the Royal Conservatory of Music and the University of Toronto in Piano Performance. Having taught humanities at the school for years, he began teaching music 6 years ago; chorale music from grade 1 – 6 and instrumental from grade 6 – 12. The music program has grown tremendously over the years and as a result now has a co-op program and an Advanced Musicianship program for those students wishing to continue their post secondary studies in music.

The students performing for the Beginning Band Symposium are in grade 7 and 8 and meet two to three times per week for classes.

Registration Card

This year's symposium fee includes a lunch buffet valued at \$10.

Teacher/Professional Musician

- New/Renewing OBA Member \$70
(membership must be expiring in October 2011, includes OBA & CBA membership valued at \$45.00)

- Current OBA Member \$55

What level(s) do you currently teach/conduct?

- High School Junior High
 Elementary Community
 College/University Retired

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- New/Renewing OBA Member \$40
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- Current OBA Member \$25

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