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## Strike up the music, bring in the bands

Case College Scholars showcases local high school musicians in project

Musicians from three area high schools will perform in the concert, "Case for Music," organized by Case Western Reserve University College Scholars Student James Carlson from Munroe Falls, Ohio. As a special senior project, he wanted to showcase the talents of high school musicians from Cleveland School of the Arts and Cleveland Heights and Warrensville Heights High Schools. The free, public concert takes place Saturday, May 13, at 1:30 p.m. in the Thwing Center Ballroom, 11111 Euclid Avenue on the Case campus.

The "Case for Music" program will feature:

- Cleveland Heights High School's "The BTTQ Trombone Quartet," under the direction of Jason Smith, the quartet's coach, and Donna Dehn, the Chamber coordinator, will play a Sousa march arrangement and other music.
- The 38-member Warrensville Heights marching band, "The Marching Machine," under the direction of Marque Davis III, will give a performance modeled after the high-step, athletic marching bands of the southern Black colleges.
- The Cleveland School of the Arts will offer jazz music in selections by the CSA Jazz Combo and Jazz Band's 35 members.

Carlson, who will graduate Sunday, May 21, with his bachelor's of art degree in economics and history, is an avid musician who has played the bassoon for 10 years and the tuba for seven years. He has participated in campus music groups—The Symphonic Winds, University Circle Wind Ensemble, Case Orchestra and the Marching Spartans.

"Music education has been a vital part of my life, and I want to give back to the community in a small way before I leave this area," said Carlson, who will attend Columbia University's School of Law in New York City in the fall.

His enjoyment of music and performing was the inspiration for his senior project, one of the program objectives for College Scholars, a select group of students chosen to participate in the three-year leadership program.

The event is being cosponsored by the College Scholars Program and the Case Center for Community Partnerships.

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