



press release

ATSSB All-State Band Selected
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HOUSTON -- The Association of Texas Small School Bands is pleased to announce the selection of the 2024 ATSSB All-State Band. More than 10,000 high school band students from across Texas auditioned in twenty-two different regions for a place in their respective all-region bands. The top chairs in each region advanced to one of the five area auditions held this past weekend across the state and only 286 of these students were selected for all-state honors.

The ATSSB All-State Bands will meet in rehearsals in San Antonio, Texas, February 7-10, 2024, and will present a concert beginning at 8:30 a.m. on Saturday, February 10, 2024, in the Lila Cockrell Theatre of the Henry B. Gonzales Convention Center in downtown San Antonio.

William Owens (Composer and Retired Educator) will be the clinician-conductor of the All-State Concert Band which will premier his composition **White Crow** (commissioned by ATSSB for this concert). Dr. Michael Golemo (Iowa State University) will be the clinician-conductor of the All-State Symphonic Band. Noe Marmolejo (University of Houston) will be the clinician-conductor of the All-State Jazz Ensemble which will perform at 1:00 p.m. on Saturday, February 10, 2024, in the Convention Center Hemisfair Ballroom 1-2. The Jazz Ensemble will premier **Solstice Samba** written by Aaron Lington (commissioned by ATSSB).

_____, a member of the _____
(INSERT STUDENT'S NAME) (INSERT SCHOOL NAME)

High School Band, was selected as a member of this band. They were chosen for this honor in competitive auditions

held this year across the state at region and area levels. _____ is a (private) student of
(INSERT STUDENT'S LAST NAME)

_____ and plays the _____ at school
(INSERT TEACHER'S NAME) (INSERT INSTRUMENT)

under the direction of _____, who is a member of the Association
(INSERT DIRECTOR'S NAME)

of Texas Small School Bands, a 1400-member group of band directors in class 1A, 2A, 3A, and 4A

high schools in Texas. This is their (first, second, third, fourth) time to perform as a member of the

ATSSB All-State Band. Their other interests at school include _____
(INSERT OTHER SCHOOL CLUBS)

_____. They are also active in church activities at

_____ and enjoys _____
(INSERT NAME OF CHURCH OR SYNAGOGUE) (INSERT HOBBIES OR CIVIC INTERESTS)

_____ as well. Their

parent(s) are _____, in _____.
(INSERT PARENT'S NAME) (INSERT CITY OR COMMUNITY)