**WILLIAMSPORT COMMUNITY BAND**

The Williamsport Community Band is a non-profit ensemble in Williamsport, MD. With over 65 members, musicians are also teachers, veterans, nurses, students, and more. Led by John Slick and Micah Socks, the band performs free concerts year-round for the Town of Williamsport in order to promote music and music education within the community.

**ABOUT OUR DIRECTOR**

John Slick has served as the Director of Music for the Williamsport Community Band since 2017. John is a lifelong resident of Washington County, and has roots in the Williamsport area stretching back generations. A 2008 graduate of Boonsboro High School, John continued his musical studies at Shenandoah University, earning a degree in Music Education in 2013. John additionally holds a Bachelor’s of Science in Psychology from Frostburg State University and a Master’s of Science in Counseling from Hood College.

John has served as a clinician and instructor for a number of ensembles in Virginia and Maryland, and spent 13 years on the band staff at Boonsboro High School, where he oversaw the marching basics program and composed music and drill for the competitive marching band season.

John currently lives in Hagerstown with his wife, Nicole, and his son, Jackson. He currently works as a licensed mental health counselor in Maryland.

**ABOUT OUR ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR**

Mr. Micah Socks currently serves as Supervisor of Visual and Performing Arts for the Washington County Public Schools.  He was previously Director of Bands at Boonsboro High School and Hancock Middle-Senior High School. Ensembles under Mr. Socks's leadership have consistently earned top ratings at local, state, and national festivals.  Mr. Socks earned degrees in music, and school administration and supervision, both from Frostburg State University.  His professional affiliations include: National Association for Music Education, Maryland Music Educators Association, Maryland Band Directors Association, and Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia.  He frequently serves as a clinician and adjudicator for area ensembles and festivals.

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Proud Heritage…………………………………………………………. William Latham

Earthdance ……………………………………………………………. Michael Sweeney

Hands Across the Sea………………………………………………. John Philip Sousa

Aquarium…………………………………………………………………. Johan De Meij

Infinity……………………………………………………………………… Katahj Copley

Where the Waters Meet…………………………………………Carol Brittin Chambers

Peter and the Wolf………………………………………………………Sergei Prokofiev   
 arr. James Curnow

How Firm thy Friendship……………………………………………. James Swearingen

Into the Raging River……………………………………………………Steven Reineke