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## THE GROUP

**Second City Brass (SCB)** is dedicated to promoting the excitement and enjoyment of live brass music through performances, workshops, recordings and other collaborations. The group was founded in 2008 by Angela Golden, trumpet and Dan Sartori, trombone after graduation from Indiana University; they are now joined with BJ Cord, trumpet, Liz Deitemyer, horn and Cynthia Stark, tuba. The group continues to enrich the musical landscape of the Chicago with their engaging brass quintet.

SCB is in popular demand and has performed in a number of prominent Chicagoland concert series including the Barrington Area Library First Fridays Concert Series, the Northbrook Library Concert Series, the Skokie Library Concert Series, and many performances at colleges, churches and private events. SCB has presented educational concerts for hundreds of school children at public and private schools in Chicago including the Merit School of Music. SCB has also recorded with rock band My Canadian Girlfriend at Steve Albini's studio—Electric Audio, in Chicago.



From left to right, Dan Sartori, trombone, Liz Deitemyer, horn, Cynthia Stark, tuba, Angela Golden, trumpet and BJ Cord, trumpet



### **Benjamin J. Cord - Trumpet**

Trumpet player and composer Benjamin Cord is a very active musician in several different musical genres. He holds degrees in Classical and Jazz Performance as well as a Performance Certificate from the world-renowned Indiana University School of Music. At home in a Jazz club, recording studio, or on stage with a full orchestra, Benjamin has performed, studied, and recorded with some of the most acclaimed musicians in the country. He has been nationally recognized for both his Classical and Jazz playing, and in addition performs in theatrical, pop, hip-hop, latin, and experimental settings. As a composer he has written music for small Jazz groups and big bands, and has recently branched out into composing for film. He is also busy as a music teacher, teaching private lessons both independently and for several schools in the Chicago area and is a former faculty member at Chicago's Sherwood Conservatory of Music. He has worked with students of all ages.

### **Liz Deitemyer - Horn**

A Chicago-area native, Liz recently returned to the area after receiving her Bachelor's Degree in Music and Psychology from Indiana University, where she studied with Jeff Nelsen and Michael Hoeltzel. She enjoys a wide array of freelancing opportunities, from performing and recording with rock bands to playing classical chamber music in concert settings. Liz is a member of the Chicago Horn Consort, the Chicago Composer's Orchestra, and the Classical Revolution Woodwind Quintet, and has performed with the Civic Orchestra of Chicago, the Illinois Philharmonic Orchestra, the Illinois Symphony Orchestra, and the Northwest Indiana Symphony.



### **Angela Golden - Trumpet**

Born and raised in Chicago, IL, Angela is a founding member of Second City Brass. A graduate of Indiana University - Jacobs School of Music, Angela graduated in 2007 with a Bachelors Degree in Music Performance. Angela studied trumpet with Edmund Cord, Stephen Burns, Will Scarlett, John Rommel and Richard Schmitt. Angela actively freelances in Chicago and has performed and soloed with the Chicago Brass Band, Chicago Brass Band Players, Chicago Sinfonietta, Classical Revolution, Columbus Philharmonic, Evanston Symphony, Evansville Orchestra, Park Ridge Symphony Orchestra, Symphony Orchestra Academy of the Pacific and many others. Also an active teacher, she teaches out of her Chicago studio and in the Northshore suburbs of Chicago. Also working in the arts field Angela works in fundraising, producing fund drives at 98.7WFMT, Chicago's classical radio station.



### **Dan Sartori - Trombone**

Born in Rockford, Illinois and raised in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, Dan is one of the founding members of the Second City Brass quintet. He holds a Bachelor of Music degree in Music Education from the University of Wisconsin – Madison and a Master of Music degree in Trombone Performance from Indiana University. He has studied trombone with Dr. William Richardson, Mark Hetzler, and Carl Lenthe, and has performed with such musical organizations as the Lafayette Symphony Orchestra, the Buselli-Wallarab Jazz Orchestra, and the Rockford Symphony Pops. Dan has also backed entertainers such as Marin Mazzie, Byron Stripling, and Martin Short. Dan was nominated for a Performance Certificate from Indiana University in 2007 and was a finalist in the 2006 Frank Smith Solo Competition in Birmingham, England (sponsored by the International Trombone Association). He has been honored with numerous awards as well, including Second Place Among Winds at the Indianapolis Matinee Musicale Competition, the Indiana University Music Merit Award, the Harry and Jeanette Ginzi Music Education Scholarship from UW-Madison, and the UW-Madison Summer Music Clinic Scholarship. Dan currently teaches music and band lessons at Transfiguration Catholic School in Wauconda, Illinois. Additionally, he is Solo Trombone with the Chicago Brass Band, Second Trombone with the Beloit-Janesville Symphony, and an active freelance trombonist in the Chicago and Rockford areas.

### **Cynthia Stark, Tuba**

Cynthia received both a Bachelor of Music degree in Music Education and a Master of Music degree in Tuba Performance from DePaul University, in Chicago, where she studied with Floyd Cooley, retired principal tuba of the San Francisco Symphony Orchestra. She is the Professor of Tuba and Euphonium at Elmhurst College, in Elmhurst, Illinois. She has performed with many Chicago area ensembles including Concertante di Chicago, Elgin Symphony Orchestra, New Philharmonic Orchestra, the Nomadic Brass Quintet, the Fanfare Brass Quintet, and the Birch Creek Brass Quintet. Cyndi has also had the pleasure of performing with Redmoon Theater Company, Moosehead Project, the Glenview Theater Guild, the Duquque Symphony Orchestra, and the Colorado Springs Symphony Orchestra. She is currently a member of the Elmhurst Symphony Orchestra and the Second City Brass Quintet.





## PROGRAMS AND REPERTOIRE

### Sample Educational Program

William Tell Overture  
Galliard Battaglia (trumpet feature?)  
Pink Panther  
La Basque (horn feature)  
Blue Bells (t-bone feature)  
Rubber Duckie (tuba feature)  
Can Can from Orpheus  
Bach Toccata and Fugue

### Sample Concert Programs

Sabre Dance  
Gale - A Nightingale Sang in *Berkeley Square*  
Cheetham - Scherzo  
Gabrieli - Canzona per Sonare No. 2  
Die Bankelsangerlieder  
Grainger - Shepard's Hey  
La Virgin de la Macarena  
Kamen Quintet  
Beatles Trio (Come Together, When I'm 64, With a Little Help from my Friends)  
Anderson - Trumpeter's Lullaby

### Sample Pieces to serve as substitutions for Concert Program

Salvation is Created  
Wagner - Prayer from Lohengrin  
Holst Suite 1 or Suite 2  
Frank Sinatra Medley  
West Side Story Suite  
Bach Toccata and Fugue  
Poulenc - Trio for Brass  
Ewazen - Grand Valley Fanfare



## TESTIMONIALS

"Everyone was delighted by the music Second City Brass provided last Sunday. It really dressed up the occasion. The selection and variety of music was excellent. You all played the room extremely well...even for those who were seated at the closest table. Thank you for your very professional and high quality performance. On behalf of Holy Resurrection Orthodox Church, I thank you."  
- *Greg Malovance, Trombonist and Holy Resurrection Orthodox Church Music Chair*

"Second City Brass is a stylish group comprised of five singularly talented players. Equally at home with the music of J.S. Bach as with Dixieland jazz, the ensemble's versatility and virtuosity make them a pleasure to hear in any setting. Brass quintet playing of Second City's caliber can be hard to come by for a listener, so their performances are not ones to be missed."  
- *Tim Sawyier, Oboe, BM Curtis Institute of Music and Public Critic of ChicagoClassicalMusic.org*

"It was my pleasure to act as kapellmeister for a recent recording by the Second City Brass. Their selection of material was excellent, covering many styles including jazz. They exhibited that rare quality of great ensemble playing, musical teamwork... the ability to work together toward a greater musical goal."  
- *Tom Kordus, Music Director of The Chicago Trombone Authority*

"We all LOVED your concert. It's amazing the power you have and the tone. I still say the funniest part of the show was the tuba solo in West Side Story "I feel pretty!" Shoulders were rocking up and down in the audience as everyone tried to stifle those waves of giggles that suddenly came over them. I hope they can come back again soon."  
- *Karen Buccola of Central United Methodist Church in Skokie*

"We had a great time, and I've heard from many who enjoyed the concert greatly. We on the Music Committee think that was the best concert we've had here in a LONG time. The program was nicely varied and the selections were played very well."  
- *Chuck Olson, Choir Director of North Park Covenant Church*

"The brass quintet's program appealed to people of all ages, including standards as well as new repertoire for this intriguing ensemble. The audience's eager participation in the Intermission's Q & A was evidence of how listeners could relate to the presentation."  
- *Sharon Peterson, Music Director of North Park Covenant Church*



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## SELECT PAST PERFORMANCES

Friday. April 8, 2011 at 8pm  
Second City Brass at Barrington Public Library  
505 N. Northwest Highway  
Barrington, IL 60010

Friday. January 21, 2010 at 10am  
Second City Brass at St. Norbert School  
1817 Walters Avenue  
Northbrook, IL 60062

Sunday. December 12, 2010 at 4pm  
Second City Brass at Central United Methodist Church  
8237 Kenton Avenue  
Skokie, IL 60076

Sunday. November 21, 2010 at 3pm  
Second City Brass at Skokie Public Library  
5215 Oakton St.  
Skokie, IL 60077

Saturday. November 13, 2010 at 11am  
Second City Brass at PRIVATE Recording Session at Electric Audio  
2621 West Belmont  
Chicago, IL 60618-5912

Sunday. November 7, 2010 at 3pm  
Second City Brass at St. Josaphat Parish  
2245 North Southport Avenue  
Chicago, IL 60614-3192

Sunday. October 24, 2010 at 12:30pm  
Second City Brass at Holy Resurrection Orthodox Church  
40th Anniversary Celebration - Private  
Palatine, IL 60067

Saturday. October 23, 2010 at 6pm  
Second City Brass at Elmhurst College  
Irion Hall - Room 200  
Elmhurst, IL 60126  
Chicago, IL 60625

Sunday. October 10, 2010 at 4pm  
Second City Brass at  
Baker Memorial Methodist Church Wedding  
307 Cedar Ave.  
St. Charles, IL 60174

Sunday. September 19, 2010 at 2 pm  
Second City Brass at Northbrook Public Library  
1201 Cedar Lane  
Northbrook, IL 60062

Sunday. September 12, 2010 at 3pm  
Second City Brass at St. Josaphat Parish  
2245 North Southport Avenue  
Chicago, IL 60614-3192

Wednesday. August 11, 2010 at 8pm  
Second City Brass at Julius Meinl  
3601 N. Southport  
Chicago, IL 60613

Saturday. June 12, 2010 at 3pm  
Beverly Library  
1962 W. 95th Street,  
Chicago, IL 60643

Saturday. May 8, 2010 at 4pm  
Second City Brass at Menning Wedding  
Kelly's Table at Creekwood Inn  
Michigan City, Indiana 46360

Saturday. May 1, 2010 at 7pm  
Second City Brass at Central United Methodist Church  
8237 Kenton Avenue  
Skokie, IL 60076

Sunday. January 24, 2010 at 2.30pm  
Second City Brass at North Park Covenant Church Concert Series  
5250 N. Christiana  
Chicago, IL 60625

Friday. October 16, 2009 at 12 pm  
Second City Brass at Northside College Prep High School - Performance & Masterclass  
5501 N. Kedzie

Thursday. July 30, 2009 at 11.30 am  
Second City Brass at Merit School of Music, Band Camp Assembly  
38 S. Peoria  
Chicago, IL 60607

Saturday. July 11, 2009 at 7 pm  
Second City Brass at Barrington High School Graduation Party and Fireworks  
Barrington, IL 60011

Monday. June 29, 2009 at 6 pm  
Second City Brass at Inspiration Cafe  
4554 N. Broadway  
Chicago, IL 60640

Thursday. May 7, 2009 at 7.30pm  
Second City Brass at Julius Meinl  
3601 N. Southport  
Chicago, IL 60613



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