INTERNATIONAL TROMBONE ASSOCIATION

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February 2025

Welcome back! February's Newsletter is bursting with goodness and features the latest news about the 2025 International Trombone Festival, the loss of an important member of our association, new albums, upcoming events and so much more. Enjoy!

News & Updates

INTERNATIONAL TROMBONE FESTIVAL
Western University
July 16–19, 2025
London, Ontario, Canada

Registration is open for the 2025 International Trombone Festival! Find more information about all the performers, presenters, and guests that this year has to offer on the Festival website. (Early bird registration rate available until **May 1**!)

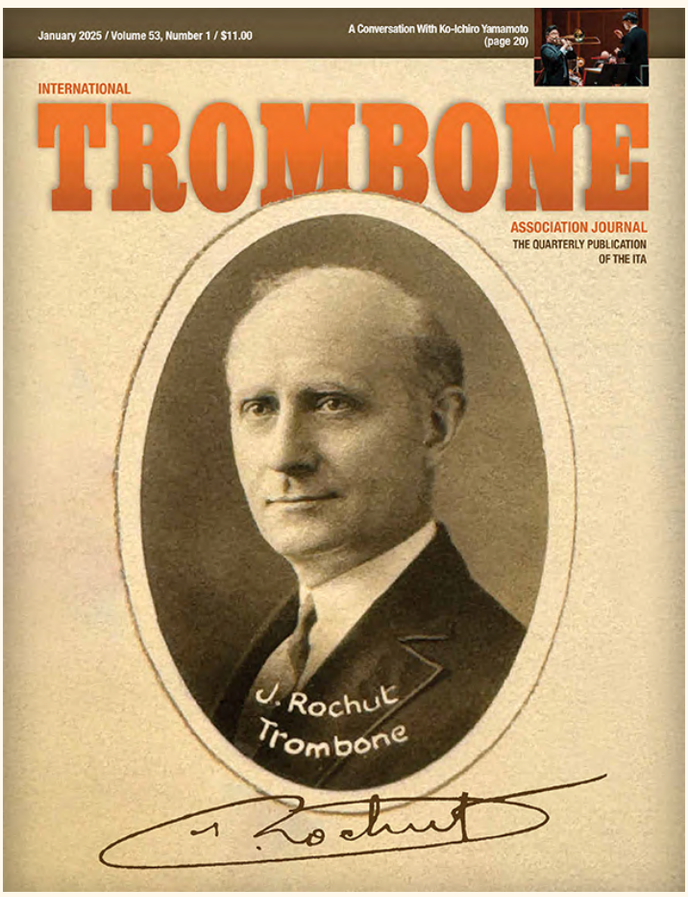
Learn more >>

In Memoriam: John R. Marcellus

The trombone world mourns the passing of John R. Marcellus, a visionary educator, performer, and advocate for our instrument.

Read more >>

In retrospect: January 2025 ITA Journal issue



This issue of the journal features an extensive look at the life, work, and influence of Joannès Rochut, in a 70-page feature article by Douglas Yeo. ITA members can read a digital version of the journal on the ITA website's Journal Browser. (Click the picture above to check it out!)

The World of Trombone

New York University calling trombonists!

New York University is studying the intersection of technology and trombone performance, and your expertise is invaluable.

Do you meet these criteria?

- 5+ years of trombone-playing experience
- 18 years or older

Then take part in our research study in one or both of the following ways:

- **Online Survey**
  Share your insights on trombone attachments and playability.
- **In-Person Study (NY Metro Area Residents)**
  Test innovative ergonomic trombone attachments.

Click here to participate in the survey >>

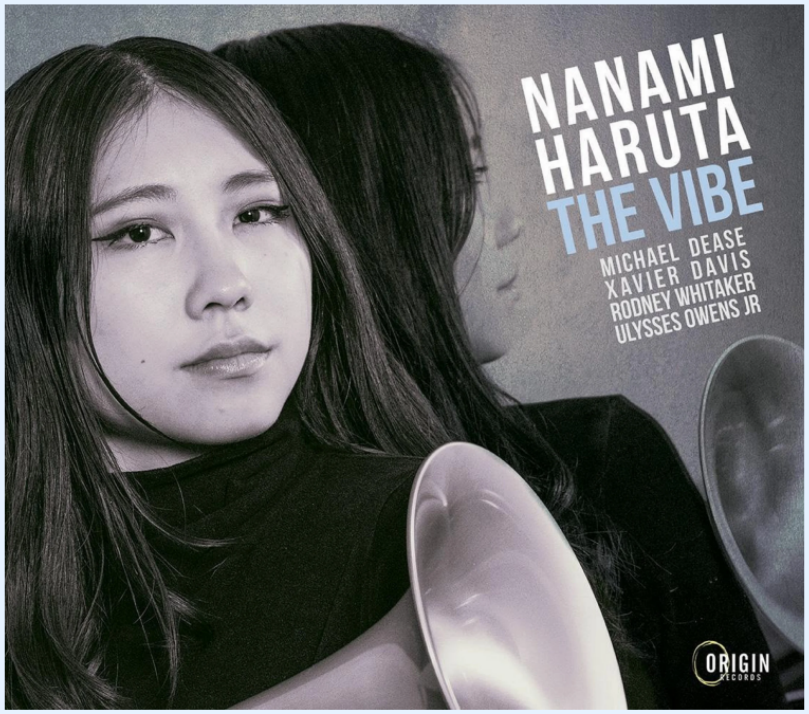
Hope in the face of tragedy

Trombone Shorty, Master P, and Mia X collaborated on a song of resilience following the recent Bourbon Street terror attack in New Orleans. “City of New Orleans, Keep Holding On” aims to be both a tribute to the resilience of New Orleans and a call to action, with all proceeds benefiting the families of the victims.

Listen on Youtube >>

New Album

Congratulations to Nanami Haruta on her forthcoming album, "The Vibe," which features a collaboration with Michael Dease in the style of jazz greats J.J. Johnson and Kai Winding. The album is scheduled to release on February 28, 2025 on Origin Records.



Upcoming Events

Here are a few upcoming trombone events to look forward to:

(Keep scrolling for a link to add **your** event to the calendar!)

Southern Miss Brass Symposium
March 29, 2025

Happening at the University of Southern Mississippi, this event will feature guest artists on each brass instrument, performance opportunities for high school and collegiate brass ensembles, panel discussions, recitals, vendors, and more.

Guest artists include:
Ashley Hall-Tighe, International Trumpet Soloist
Erik Ralske, Principal Horn, Metropolitan Opera
Amanda Stewart, Associate Principal Trombone, St. Louis Symphony
Hiram Diaz, Euphonium Soloist and Educator
Willie Clark, Retired Tuba with the Air Force "Ceremonial Brass"

Learn more here!

Steve Wolfinbarger Final Concert at Western Michigan University
March 31, 2025

To celebrate Steve Wolfinbarger's retirement from Western Michigan University, former students are putting together a trombone choir concert! The concert will be at 7:30pm in Dalton Recital Hall, in the Irving S. Gilmore School of Music at WMU.

More info!

International Trombone Week!

April 6-13, 2025

International Trombone Week is just around the corner—and everyone is invited! This year's official week is April 6-13—and you can mark the occasion any day in April and around its edges. It's a perfect time to make music, play your trombone, and share it with others online and in-person. Start planning and practicing now. Learn more—and get inspired—for this annual celebration:

Read all about it! >>

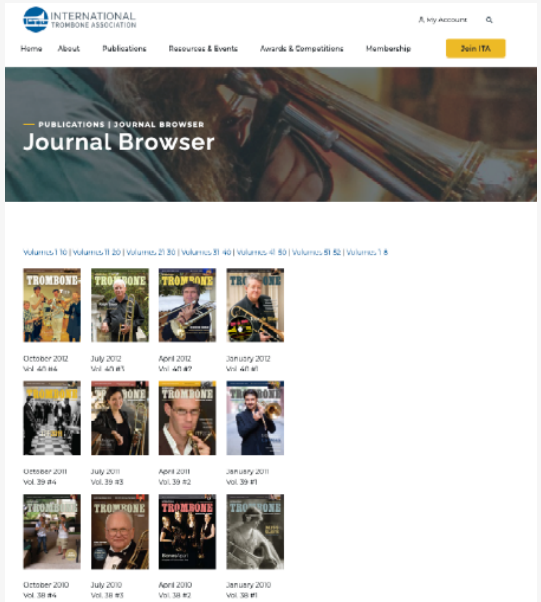
Full events calendar >>

ADD YOUR EVENT NOW

It's easy to get the word out

Listing your event on the world's trombone calendar is quick and free.

Start now >>



Keep your eyes open... A renewed ITA website will arrive in February!

Have some news? Good ideas?

We're all ears and we'd love to hear from you. :-)

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