



International Trombone Association

May 2026



We're proud to be the world's largest association of trombonists with 4,000 members from 74 countries. If you aren't an ITA member yet, please [join us!](#)

Read on for trombone news, events, and more.

Announcements 📢

Happy May! We're glad you're here.

ITA Member Appreciation Prize Draw. Lucky winners have been announced. We'll have an update in our next newsletter. 🎁

ITA Annual General Meeting will be held on Sunday, June 14, 2026 at 2pm Eastern Time. Current ITA members are cordially invited to attend. It's a great way to stay informed, share your voice, and connect with other members. Watch your email for registration information. 🎉

ITA Awards. Each year, the International Trombone Association presents the ITA Award, the Neill Humfeld Award, the Legacy Circle Award, and the Lifetime Achievement Award. ★ [Learn more >>](#)

ITA Election. We are pleased to announce the results of the 2026 elections for Officers and Board of Advisors. These newly-elected Officers and Board of Advisors will help guide and represent the global trombone community in the years ahead. 🗳️ [Learn more >>](#)



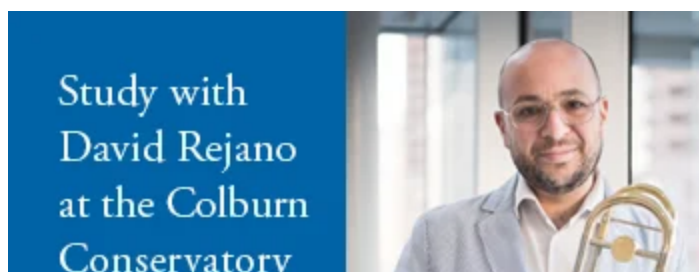
Register for an amazing event

International Trombone Festival

This year's ITF will take place July 29-August 1 in Riga, Latvia at the Latvian Academy of Music, with host Vairis Nartišs.

[Learn more >>](#)

Colburn Conservatory of Music Announces Tenor Trombone Opening for Fall 2026





The Colburn Conservatory of Music has announced a tenor trombone opening for Fall 2026 in the studio of David Rejano, Principal Trombone of the LA Phil. All Conservatory students receive full scholarships, including room and board, allowing them to focus fully on their artistic development. With world-renowned faculty, exceptional performance opportunities, and comprehensive financial support, the Colburn Conservatory offers an unparalleled environment for emerging musicians to refine their craft. Applications are due by May 18; selected applicants will be invited to audition on June 1.

[More information](#)

Trombone News

Composition News. 🏆 Thank you to all composers and judges who took part in the ITA Composition Competition (ITACC)! We had a record number of high-quality submissions.

We are thrilled to announce the results of the 2026 ITACC.

Quartets:

1. David Lancaster "Rude Mechanicals"
2. Chris Evan Hass "Dancing Light"
3. Leonard Lewis "A Skeleton Key Variations"

Octets:

1. John Danzinger "Orbicularis Oris"
2. Chris Evan Hass "Hiraeth"
3. Quanquan Yan "Howl of the Empty Mountain"

[Learn more >>](#)

The Louisiana Trombone Collective (LTC)
has officially launched! This non-profit



is dedicated to promoting student success in the low brass community across South Louisiana, the United States, and abroad. LTC is committed to creating supportive and empowering environments for trombonists of all ages and backgrounds, with a strong emphasis on diversity, equity, and inclusion.



Wow! International Trombone Week 2026 🎵



The classe de trombone de Strasbourg, under the direction of Nicolas Moutier, celebrated ITW atop one of the world's highest monuments! Here they perform David Miller's ITACC-winning work "Fanfare for the World".

A sampling of ITW events 🗓️

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30	31 5:30 pm - 6:30 pm James Nova Residency &	1	2 7:30 pm - 9:00 pm Penn State Trombone	3 10:00 am - 12:00 pm The Cleveland Orchestra:	4 5:00 pm - 6:00 pm Student Recital: Broke	5

	<p>"Night at the Movies"</p> <p>7:30 pm - 9:30 pm Trumpet & Trombone Choir Concert</p>		<p>Choir</p> <p>7:30 pm - 9:00 pm Ball State Trombone Choir Recital</p>	<p>Tuneful Trombone</p> <p>7:30 pm - 9:00 pm Ohio State University Trombone Studio Recital</p>	<p>Thomson, Trombone</p> <p>5:00 pm - 6:00 pm Metropolitan Trombone Ensemble 22nd Concert</p> <p>8:00 pm - 10:30 pm La Traviata by Verdi at the Metropolitan Opera</p>	
<p>6</p> <p>7:00 pm - 8:30 pm University of Memphis Trombone Choir</p> <p>7:30 pm - 9:00 pm CCM Brass Choir Showcase</p>	<p>7</p> <p>British Trombone Societ...</p> <p>7:00 pm - 8:30 pm James Ryan Band with Trombone Choir at Lazybones Lounge, Australia</p> <p>7:30 pm - 9:00 pm Florida State University Trombone Choir Concert</p> <p>8:00 pm - 9:30 pm Texas Tech Trombone Studio Recital</p>	<p>8</p> <p>7:30 pm - 8:30 pm Tennessee Tech Trombone Choir</p>	<p>9</p> <p>7:30 pm - 8:30 pm Arkansas Tech University Trombone Choir Concert</p> <p>7:30 pm - 9:30 pm University of South Alabama Trombone Choir Spring Concert</p>	<p>10</p> <p>5:30 pm - 7:00 pm University of Wisconsin- Madison Low Brass Ensemble</p> <p>6:00 pm - 7:00 pm University of Central Florida Trombone Studio</p>	<p>11</p> <p>8:00 am Atlanta Trombone Day</p> <p>9:00 am - 6:00 pm Stetson University Trombone Day</p> <p>11:30 am - 1:00 pm Ley Friedman Trombone Recital</p> <p>2:00 pm - 4:00 pm SFASU and TJC Combined Trombone Choirs at Fredonia Brewery</p> <p>2:00 pm - 3:30 pm Mizzou Brass Recital</p> <p>3:00 pm - 5:00 pm UConn Trombone Choir</p> <p>4:30 pm - 6:00 pm Yale's Jeremy Mojado, trombone</p> <p>7:30 pm - 9:00 pm Alejandro Cantos Presents Insights</p> <p>8:00 pm - 9:30 pm Brady Smith, jazz trombone</p>	<p>12</p> <p>International Trombone ...</p> <p>10:00 am - 6:00 pm Eastern Kentucky University Trombone Day</p> <p>2:00 pm - 4:00 pm ISide Community Trombone Ensemble</p> <p>2:00 pm - 4:00 pm Brilliant Brass with the National Band of New Zealand</p> <p>3:00 pm - 5:00 pm Tuba, Bass Trombone, Electronics Recital</p> <p>3:30 pm - 5:00 pm University of Missouri Trombone Ensemble</p> <p>4:30 pm - 5:30 pm Oberlin College trombone recital</p> <p>7:00 pm - 9:00 pm University of Alabama Trombone Choir</p> <p>7:30 pm - 9:00 pm University of Kansas Trombone Choir Concert</p> <p>7:30 pm - 9:00 pm Columbus State Schwob Trombone Ensemble</p>
<p>13</p> <p>International Trombone Week 2025</p> <p>8:00 am - 9:30 pm Life Trombone Festival begins</p> <p>7:30 pm - 8:30 pm Dr. JoDee Davis Studio Recital</p>	<p>14</p> <p>8:00 am - 5:00 pm Masterclass: Garfitt & Liamakopoulos</p> <p>5:00 pm - 7:00 pm Western Michigan University Trombone Choir</p> <p>7:30 pm - 9:00 pm Ball State University Trombone Studio Recital</p> <p>7:30 pm - 9:00 pm Texas A&M University Trombone Choir</p> <p>7:30 pm - 9:00 pm University of Illinois Trombone Choir</p>	<p>15</p> <p>6:00 pm - 7:30 pm Michigan State University Trombone Ensemble</p> <p>7:30 pm - 9:00 pm CySlides and Trombone Studio</p> <p>7:30 pm - 9:00 pm Youngstown State University Jazz Ensemble with John Fedchock, trombone</p> <p>7:30 pm - 9:00 pm NDSU Trombone Choir Recital</p>	<p>16</p> <p>10:00 am - 12:00 pm Trombone Attraction Trombone Quartet</p> <p>5:30 pm - 7:30 pm Temion Brass</p>	<p>17</p> <p>2025 Southern Miss Brass Symposium</p> <p>5:00 pm - 6:00 pm University of Maryland trombone recital</p> <p>6:00 pm - 6:30 pm Classe de trombone de Strasbourg (France) celebrates ITW</p> <p>9:00 pm - 10:00 pm Robert Byrd, Trombone</p>	<p>18</p> <p>9:00 am - 5:00 pm Slide Show Master Class & Concert with Alex Iles</p> <p>1:00 pm - 2:30 pm RIT's Brass Studio Recital + Trombone Choir</p> <p>7:30 pm - 9:00 pm University of Scranton Jazz Band with Jennifer Krupa, trombone</p>	<p>19</p> <p>11:30 am - 5:00 pm UNI Low Brass Workshop</p> <p>2:00 pm - 5:00 pm NEC Master Class: Brian Hecht, Trombone</p> <p>3:00 pm - 5:00 pm The Northwest Trombone Collective</p> <p>4:00 pm - 6:00 pm Colorado State University</p> <p>4:00 pm - 6:00 pm Trombone Treat with Timothy Higgins</p> <p>4:30 pm - 6:30 pm Tennessee Tech Trombone Studio Recital</p> <p>6:00 pm - 7:30 pm Texas State Trombone Choir</p> <p>8:00 pm - 10:00 pm NEC Brass Bash</p>
<p>20</p> <p>2:00 pm - 7:00 pm Western University, Canada, Student Trombone Recitals</p> <p>7:30 pm - 9:00 pm Baylor University Trombone Choir Concert</p> <p>7:30 pm - 9:30 pm Purdue University Fort Wayne Trombone Studio and Ensemble Recital</p>	<p>21</p> <p>7:30 pm - 9:00 pm University of Miami Frost Trombone Choir</p> <p>7:30 pm - 9:00 pm University of Wisconsin- Stevens Point Trombone Quartet Recital</p> <p>7:30 pm - 9:00 pm Augustana College Low Brass Ensemble Concert</p> <p>8:00 pm - 9:30 pm Aiden Drysdale, chamber trombone</p>	<p>22</p> <p>7:00 pm - 9:00 pm Steve Davis Quintet</p>	<p>23</p> <p>6:00 pm - 7:30 pm Shenandoah University Joint Junior Trombone Recital</p>	<p>24</p> <p>9:30 am - 11:00 am Cleveland Institute of Music Trombone Recital</p>	<p>25</p> <p>1:00 pm - 2:00 pm Julliard School Trombone Studio Recital</p> <p>3:00 pm - 5:00 pm Elicott City Trombone Choir, Maryland</p> <p>6:00 pm - 7:30 pm Trinity Brass Ensemble in Berlin, Germany</p> <p>8:00 pm - 10:00 pm Frederic Bell & Hong Kong Sinfonia</p> <p>8:00 pm - 10:00 pm "Shorty Turns 40" Concert</p>	<p>26</p>
<p>27</p> <p>7:30 pm - 9:30 pm Moravian University Trombone Ensemble</p> <p>7:30 pm - 9:00 pm BASStically Brass & Trombone Choir Concert</p>	<p>28</p> <p>7:30 pm - 9:00 pm Augustana University Trombone Choir Spring Concert</p>	<p>29</p> <p>6:00 pm - 8:00 pm Virtuoso Series Concert: Drew Leslie, Trombone</p> <p>6:30 pm - 7:30 pm University of Iowa trombone recital</p> <p>7:30 pm - 9:00 pm University of Massachusetts Trombone Choir and Brass Ensembles</p>	<p>30</p> <p>6:00 pm - 7:00 pm Oklahoma State trombone recital</p> <p>8:00 pm - 9:30 pm International Jazz Day</p>	<p>1</p>	<p>2</p>	<p>3</p> <p>12:00 pm - 8:30 pm Slide into Spring Calgary</p>

		7:30 pm - 10:00 pm University of Illinois Jazz Trombone Ensemble			
		8:00 pm - 9:30 pm University of Delaware Trombone Choir & Trumpet Ensemble			

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Slide into SPRING

MAY 3, 2026

WITH SPECIAL WORKSHOP BY KRISTOFER LESLIE
"Practice Techniques on the Spectrum of Creativity"

CARLOS FOGGIN, MASSES TROMBONE CHOIR CONDUCTOR

WORKSHOP & REHEARSAL AT WILLIAM ABERHART HIGH SCHOOL
12 PM TO 4PM
WARM-UPS, TROMBONE DISPLAY, WORKSHOP AND MASSES CHOIR REHEARSAL

EVENING CONCERT AT HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCH
7PM
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... and the ITW fun continues in

Calgary!

On May 3, 2026, Calgary will host its annual "[Slide Into Spring: Trombone Day](#)"! This Canadian day-long celebration of International Trombone Week, now in its 13th year, welcomes trombonists of all ages and skill levels for music, learning, and collaboration.

Graduation Time for Trombonists

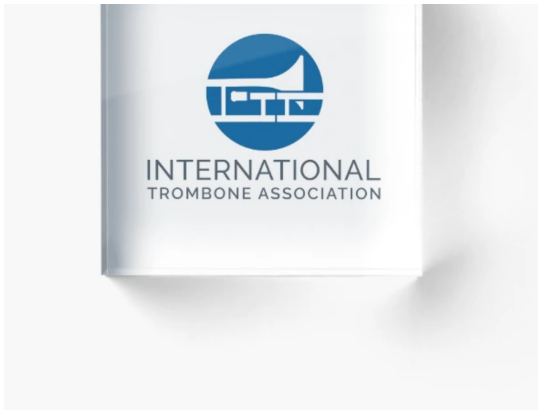


Congratulations! 🎓

If you're graduating this year, congratulations! As you set out on your next adventure, here's some advice: Pack your best friend (your trombone), stay connected to your community (we're cheering for you!), and remember to thank the people who helped you along the way.



The perfect gift 💡



Speaking of graduation... This piece would be a thoughtful present for your favorite trombone-playing graduate especially presented alongside a shiny new [ITA membership!](#)

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