# Florida State University Ensembles

#### Bands:

**Campus Band** The Campus Band is open to all students with interest and experience. It meets weekly during both semesters, responding to students' interests and abilities while rehearsing and performing a wide and diverse literature.

**Concert Band** The Concert Band is devoted to the rehearsal, study, and performance of important band literature. While primarily for music majors, this ensemble is open to non-majors with interest and experience by audition.

**Marching Chiefs** The Marching Chiefs is a marching band of approximately 450 students that performs at all home football games and traditionally travels to two or three out-of-town games during the football season.

**Seminole Sound** Seminole Sound is the University's Athletic Pep Band consisting of over 130 members. The Seminole Sound performs for FSU Men's and Women's Basketball, FSU Women's Volleyball, and a variety of other athletic events.

**Symphonic Band** The Symphonic Band is an undergraduate wind band made up exclusively of music majors. Two performances are scheduled each semester with a focus on advanced, college-level literature for winds and percussion.

Wind Ensemble The Wind Ensemble is the top undergraduate wind band exclusively for music majors.

**Wind Orchestra** The Wind Orchestra is the top graduate wind band. The Wind Orchestra's campus performances are supplemented by periodic tours, selected artist concert series, conventions, and conference appearances.

#### Choirs

**Chamber Choir** The Chamber Choir is an auditioned group of graduate and undergraduate students, as well as faculty, performing repertoire particularly suitable for a 32-to-44-voice ensemble, both accompanied and a cappella.

**University Singers** The University Singers is the premier undergraduate touring choir at FSU. Their activities include public concerts, both on and off campus, as well as frequent tours and performances at professional conferences.

**Collegians** The Collegians, the FSU men's glee club, is open to students enrolled in the University. Public concerts are presented throughout the year, including off-campus performances.

Lavana The FSU Women's Glee Club, Lavana, is open to all treble singers and performs concerts throughout the year.

**Vocal Jazz Ensemble** The Vocal Jazz Ensemble is a select ensemble that performs regularly on and off campus.

**Choral Union** The Choral Union is open to any student enrolled in the University who wishes to sing. Both accompanied and a cappella selections are included in its repertoire. Public concerts are presented throughout the year.

**Gospel Choir** The Gospel Choir is a popular choral ensemble on campus that explores both traditional and contemporary Gospel music. The Gospel Choir gives concerts on and off campus and frequently performs at churches throughout the city.

University Chorale/Tallahassee Community Chorus This ensemble is a large ensemble of around 200 singers that specializes in the music written for a large chorus and orchestra. The chorus is open to all students and the general public.

**Opera Chorus** The Opera Chorus performs in the FSU Opera productions according to the needs of each semester's repertoire.

Summer Chorale The Summer University Chorale is open to any enrolled student who enjoys singing.

**Capital Children's Choir** The Capital Children's Choir is a community outreach program for children in kindergarten through ninth grade, which is sponsored by the College of Music. Music majors at FSU also assist and lead the choirs in various activities.

**Senior Singers** The Tallahassee Senior Choir is a community outreach program in partnership with the City of Tallahassee senior services. Graduate Music Therapy students assist and lead the choir.

## Orchestras:

**University Symphony** The University Symphony Orchestra consists of graduate and upper division undergraduate students who perform seven to eight concerts, including opera, chamber orchestra performances, and performances of major choral works.

**University Philharmonia** The University Philharmonia includes first- and second-year string players and gives four concerts a season. **Sinfonia** Sinfonia offers non-major musicians the opportunity to play in a campus orchestra and gives one concert per semester.

### Jazz Ensembles:

**Jazz Ensembles** The College of Music has three large performing Jazz Ensembles that perform concerts both on and off campus. The top FSU Jazz Ensemble is a nationally acclaimed ensemble drawn from a select group of graduate and undergraduate students.

**Chamber Music (Jazz Combos)** Students audition and are placed in a variety of faculty and graduate assistant-led combos based on their demonstrated skill levels. These combos showcase a variety of traditional and modern jazz styles.

**The Jazz/Commercial Music Ensembles** The College of Music Jazz and Commercial Music Ensembles include groups of all sizes that explore a wealth of musical styles. One of these, the Jazz/Pop Vocal Ensemble puts on dynamic public performances.

## Other Ensembles:

**Chamber Music** Various chamber ensembles are organized throughout the year offering students greater musical focus and exposure. **Early Music Ensembles** Approximately ten ensembles that specialize in historical music and performance.

Percussion Ensemble The award-winning Percussion Ensemble continues to champion new composers and repertoire.

Music Theatre The Music Theatre Ensemble uses a revue format and performs at a variety of events throughout the year.

New Music Ensembles The new music ensemble, Polymorphia, focuses on performing recent works written in the 20<sup>th</sup>/21<sup>st</sup> century. Opera The FSU Opera presents fully staged productions, featuring students in principal roles, chorus, orchestra, and technical support. World Music Ensemble The World Music Ensemble program is one of the nation's largest, offering instruction and performance opportunities in diverse world music traditions. They have two world music festivals and a concert annually.

Online Resource: The Florida State University Ensembles website can be accessed online at: <u>music.fsu.edu/ensembles</u>