



BRONZE UNDER THE SUN 2022

Matthew Compton, Clinician

June 24-25, 2022

First United Methodist-Gainesville

Bronze Under the Sun is an event developed by the Florida District Leaders to bring an advanced ringing event to Florida for ringers in Area 4 and beyond.

Vision: Provide the opportunity for advanced ringers to ring advanced music selections and stretch their abilities. Experience the dedication and music ability of others who love handbells.

COVID-19: Area 4 will continue to monitor and make safety decisions for this event if necessary.

Application Process: You will be able to register as a group or as individuals. A video will be required as part of the application process, unless you rang at last years event. Registration fees must be paid at the time of registration. The fee will be refunded in full, if not accepted. Notification of acceptance and ringing position will be sent May 1, 2022 via email.

Registration Deadline: April 24,2022

information: area4.handbellmusicians.org



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Clinician: Matthew Compton

Matthew Compton, a native of Colorado Springs, has been composing, arranging, and conducting music for handbells since 2007 when he was in the eighth grade. He had his first composition published at the age of fifteen, making him one of the youngest published handbell composers.

Matthew graduated from Concordia University Wisconsin with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Music with an emphasis in Composition and Conducting.

Based out of Vancouver, WA, he is the music director of the Bells of the Cascades in Portland, Oregon, and Director of Music Ministries at Salmon Creek Church in Vancouver. In addition to being a guest clinician at handbell festivals across the country, his music is frequently used at local and national handbell festivals like the Bay View Week of Handbells and Distinctly Bronze East and West. He has been the recipient of the Donald E. Allured Composition Award.

In his limited spare time, Matthew can be found streaming a variety of games and music performances on Twitch, hiking, or enjoying any number of movies, anime, or tv shows!





REPERTOIRE

Bronze ringers may ask why the music selections in the repertoire have different levels. The repertoire selections were made after reading the article by J.R. Smith in the Summer 2018 Overtones. Quoting J.R. Smith “...*any level piece of music can be made into a higher level by the way it is musically rung with dynamics, rhythm, and tempo and rung with emotion.*”

We hope you will be challenged with these selections and gain the experience of ringing musically.

Gaudete! - Jason Krug - Lv. 3+ -

Les Cloches - John Behnke - Lv. 3+ -

'Twas in the Moon of Wintertime - arr. Sandra Eithun - Lv. 5 -

Outburst - Karen Lakey Buckwalter - Lv. 4/5

Spires - Matthew Compton - Lv. 3 - .

Majesty - Daniel Soochkoff-Cerna - Lv. 4 -

Tentative Schedule

Friday

12:00-2:00	Registration & Set up Lunch on Your Own
2:00-2:15pm	Announcements
2:15-3:45pm	Rehearsal
3:45-4:00pm	Break
4:00-5:30pm	Rehearsal
5:30-5:45pm	Break
5:45-7:00pm	Rehearsal
7:00-until	Dinner on our own & social time

Saturday

9:00-10:30am	Rehearsal
10:30-10:45am	Break
10:45-12:00pm	Rehearsal
12:00-1:00pm	Lunch provided
1:00-1:45pm	Rehearsal
2:00-3:00pm	Concert
3:00pm	Pack up and safe travels



Expectations

- ◇ Committed to learning all of the music on their own. Learning means going beyond the notes - you know where the musical line is and can see/hear the overall picture.
- ◇ Flexible about position assignment.
- ◇ Has the stamina, energy, and attention for lengthy rehearsals.
- ◇ Has good rehearsal etiquette – is prompt & cheerful.
- ◇ Understands that ringing is a collaborative effort. All the notes must be rung musically. This may require sharing handbells with neighbors or giving one or more handbells to a different musician for an entire piece.
- ◇ Is open to constructive comments.
- ◇ Has self-awareness to realize when he/she “is the problem” (as in playing wrong rhythm, wrong bell, wrong dynamic, not following the director), and, without prompting or comment from anyone, either remedies the problem or sits out that passage.
- ◇ All ringers will be evaluated during the event to check on preparedness, the ability to correct mistakes, and watch the director. This will give you the ability to ring in next year’s Bronze Under the Sun without having to send in a video.

Audition & Recommendation Requirements

If you attended Bronze Under the Sun you do not need a video, but you must provide a name for a recommendation.

- ◇ A video audition is required to show the ringing ability of each ringer. Please make sure the ringer is visible in the video, and provide a description so that the ringer can be identified. Please choose a video that clearly shows your ringing ability. Videos should be uploaded to YouTube (make video ‘unlisted’), and a link provided.
- ◇ Please provide contact information for someone who can provide a recommendation for each ringer. The person will be sent a link to fill out a recommendation form. **It is up to each ringer to ensure that the recommendation is completed for their application.**

Registration & Ringer Information - DUE 4/24/22

Fill out one form per ringer. Only one guild membership number is needed for a group registration.

Name: _____ Guild Membership #: _____

Email : _____

Best phone number to reach you _____ Dietary Restrictions _____

Address: _____

I give taken consent for pictures taken at the festival to be used for promotional purposes.

I/we can bring _____ octaves of bells and chimes (including tables and pads) for use at the event.

**Please rate your preferences as to ringing positions.
1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th choice, or X for unable to ring.**

___ Low Bass (C3-B3) ___ Bass (C4-A4) ___ Battery (B4-B5) ___ Treble* (C6-C8)

*must be able to ring 4-in-hand

If you attended Bronze Under the Sun in the past, no video is required .

Everyone must submit a name for a recommendation .

If you did not attend, please provide a video and reference of someone who has observed you ringing in the past year.

Reference Name (required) _____ Email _____

Video can be found at: _____

Description of person in video (clothing/position) _____

POLO SHIRTS OPTIONAL (additional fee-\$20)

Polo Shirt s: (Men's) size; ___ small ___ medium ___ large ___ x-large ___ 2xlarge ___ 3x large

(Women's) size; ___ small ___ medium ___ large ___ x-large ___ 2xlarge ___ 3x large

Registration Cost: Member \$100 Non-member \$120 Guest \$20

Registration cost _____

Polo shirt (optional) _____

If using PayPal: [PayPal.me/Area4Handbells](https://www.paypal.com/area4handbells) add 3% _____

TOTAL AMOUNT PAID _____

Check payable to: Handbell Musicians of America, Area 4

Mail form and check to: **Karen Eskew-Wyllie, Registrar**
12690 NE 131st Place, Archer, FL 32681

Registrar Use:: Date Received _____ Check/PayPal _____ Video/recommendation _____



Important Information

Registration Costs

Registration costs \$100 per person for members of Handbell Musicians of America. Only one HMA membership per group is required.

Groups/individuals who are not members of Handbell Musicians of America will be able to attend this year's festival at a rate of \$120 per person, Want to take advantage of the lower fees? Become a member of Handbell Musicians of America for only \$95 annually at www.handbellmusicians.org.

Refunds

There is a non-refundable \$25 administration fee charged on all refunds requested before May 24, 2022. No refunds will be given after May 24, 2022, unless there is someone on the waiting list who can take your place. If event is cancelled due to COVID-19, all registrations will be refunded in full.

Equipment

Groups which can provide bells, chimes, tables, and foam for the event are asked to do so.

Evaluations

In order to preserve and improve the level of ringing at the event, all attendees will be evaluated each year. Feedback will be provided after the event to each ringer as to whether or not they can apply for the event in the future without the full application procedures.

Copyright Laws/iPad usage

Area 4 follows the Handbell Musician of America policies regarding tablets to hold music. Please see <http://handbellmusicians.org/news/new-policy-regarding-the-use-of-tablets-to-hold-music/> for details. Per copyright laws, NO PHOTOCOPIES are allowed even if you have a master back up. Music will be available for purchase if you bring photocopies. You must obtain permission for IPAD usage. Thank you for your understanding.

Youth

Youth are welcome to participate in the festival if at the proper level of their ability. Underage participants (17 and younger) must be chaperoned (one adult, 21 years and older, per 6 ringers under the age of 17). The underage participants should present a permission slip via their director, along with current medical info and contacts. Please fill out medical release on page 8.

Hotel: Hampton Inn and Suites Downtown Gainesville. 101 SE 1st Ave, Gainesville 32601 Rate is \$139 + taxes and parking. Includes free breakfast. Call and ask for the block under "Handbell Musicians of America" by June 2, 2022.



Parental Consent and Medical Authorization (For participants under 18 years old)

Name of Registrant: _____ Birth Date: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Daytime Phone Number: _____ (home) _____ (cell)

Evening Phone Number: _____ (home) _____ (cell)

As the parent (or legal guardian), I give my permission for _____
(attendee name) to participate in the 2022 Bronze Under the Sun festival.

_____(initial) I also give consent for pictures taken at the festival to be used for promotional purposes and social media.

MEDICAL TREATMENT AUTHORIZATION

It is my understanding that the Handbell Musicians of America, Area 4 will attempt to notify me in case of a medical emergency involving my student. If a representative from Area 4 cannot reach me, then I give authorization to the chaperone accompanying my student to hire a doctor or health-care professional, and I give my permission to the doctor or other healthcare professional, to provide the medical services he or she may deem necessary. I will pay for any medical expenses so incurred.

Allergies or other health considerations: _____

Insurance Company: _____ Policy/Group #s: _____

Name of parent or guardian (please print): _____

Signature of parent or guardian: _____

Person to contact other than parent in an emergency:

Name: _____ Phone #: _____

THIS FORM MUST BE NOTARIZED

STATE OF FLORIDA

COUNTY OF _____

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this ____ day of _____, 20____,

by _____.

(NOTARY SEAL)

Signature of Notary Public

Name of Notary, Typed, Printed, or Stamped

Personally Known OR Produced Identification Type of Identification Produced _____



Advertising Information and Deadline 6/1/2022

Area 4 is, **once** again, sponsoring **Bronze Under the Sun**. This is an event to bring an advanced ringing opportunity to sunny Florida.. We have a history of successful events and this event will be no exception with Matthew Compton as our clinician. We hope many of you in the Handbell Industry Council and other business or concert organizations will join in supporting this event by placing an advertisement in our booklet. This event can bring in handbell ringers from many areas and carry your message via this booklet.

All submissions for publication should be "camera-ready" images, actual business cards, or clean copies that may be scanned and resized as needed. The Back and Inner Back pages are first come, first served and must be full pages.

Company or Group Name: _____ Date: _____

Contact Person: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Office Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Home Phone: _____ Fax: _____

Page Size:

Full Page—Back Cover (Color) (4.5" x 7.5") \$150

Full Page—Inside Back Cover (Color) (4.5" x 7.5") \$100

All others are within the booklet.

Full Page—Color (4.5" x 7.5") \$75

Full Page—B&W (4.5" x 7.5") \$60

Half Page—Color (4.5" x 3.75") \$45

Half Page—B&W (4.5" x 3.75") \$35

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Mail form and check to:

Karen Eskew-Wyllie, Registrar, 12690 NE 131st Pace Archer, FL 32681

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