

If you don't know **Brandilyn** or have lost track of her, she loves playing and teaching music. No matter where she is in life one thing is for sure, she is always making music whether playing clarinet in a band or strumming guitar around a campfire. As a band director and clarinet teacher she has inspired students of all ages in Texas, New Mexico, California, and North Carolina. Her commitment and passion for education is not only a treasure for her students, but also a driving force in her life.

Brandilyn's joy for making music was put on hold in July 2014 when she was diagnosed with a tumor in her spinal canal, causing debilitating nerve pain in her back and legs. Over the next 10 months the tumor continued to grow and the most recent MRI (pre-op) showed the tumor had completely filled the spinal canal. Brandilyn decided to move forward with plans for surgery after one doctor explained there is a risk of paralysis with this type of surgery, however, without the surgery paralysis was guaranteed.

Brandilyn underwent surgery at UCSF Medical Center on June 3, 2015. Dr. Ames and the outstanding neurosurgery team at UCSF were able to completely remove the tumor without causing any further nerve damage. Even better news was that the tumor was benign and Brandilyn can focus on recovering fully and getting back to the life she left behind a year ago.

Brandilyn's need to temporarily relocate to San Francisco for surgery and post-op recovery resulted in numerous out-of-pocket medical bills and living expenses. The monetary contributions received will help Brandilyn get back on her feet more quickly and keep her from having to carry the burden of the last year into her future.

Thank you for your support, it is greatly appreciated.

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# A BENEFIT CONCERT

## FOR BRANDILYN DAVIDSON



Sunday, July 12, 2015

Brawley Residence  
12 Pershing Drive, Oakland, CA

MUSIC BY

**CLARINET FUSION**



**Clarinet Fusion** (kler-ə-'net 'fyü-zh'n) *n.* **1.** The process of the sound of single-reed, tubular woodwind instruments merging diverse, distinct, or separate elements into a unified whole.

• PROGRAM •

- Puszta - 1st Movement** .....Jan Van der Roost/Maarten Jense
- Old Military Music** ..... Ilio Volante
- English Folk Song Suite** .....Ralph Vaughan Williams/  
1. "Seventeen come Sunday" ..... Matt Johnston  
2. "My Bonny Boy"  
3. "Folk Songs from Somerset"
- Libertango** .....Astor Piazzola/Bart Picqueur
- Clarinet Polka** ..... Traditional/Matt Johnston  
Dave Sandusky/Danielle Napoleon/Rita Zigas-Brown, Bb Clarinet
- Moderato, quasi marcia from Serenade for Winds**..... Antonin Dvorák/  
Coen Wolfgram
- Gypsy Dance from Carmen**.....Georges Bizet/Lloyd Conley
- When the Saints Go Marching In**..... Traditional/Philip R. Buttall



For more information about *Clarinet Fusion* or booking, please contact us.

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• ABOUT CLARINET FUSION •

*Clarinet Fusion* is the result of the inspiration, hard work, and determination of founder Karyn Weber. Begun as a quartet/quintet in the fall of 2009, *Clarinet Fusion* performed several concerts each year until the spring of 2012 when it expanded to a full choir to include the extended range of the harmony clarinets. Clarinet Fusion (the clarinet choir) held its debut performance on June 28, 2012.

The members of *Clarinet Fusion* collectively boast over 300 years of music-playing experience, with a majority of that on clarinets. In addition to the clarinets being played today, various members also have experience playing other instruments such as: A and C clarinet, flute, french horn, trumpet, baritone horn, tuba, electric bass, and the saxophone family: soprano, alto, tenor, and baritone.

These musicians also play for a number of other music and performing groups, including:

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| Danville Community Band           | Livermore-Amador Symphony          |
| Walnut Creek Concert Band         | Brentwood Concert Band             |
| Awesöme Orchestra Collective      | Tri-Valley Rep Theatre (Livermore) |
| Quintaire Woodwind Quintet        | Star Struck Theater (Fremont)      |
| Ohlone Community Band             | California Repercussions Band      |
| Ohlone Wind Orchestra             | Hayward Municipal Band             |
| Ohlone Clarinet Choir             | Contra Costa Wind Symphony         |
| Castro Valley Chamber Orchestra   | Oakland Civic Orchestra            |
| Pleasanton Community Concert Band | Prometheus Symphony Orchestra      |

• PERSONNEL •

- Ronald Kerst** .....Eb Clarinet, Bb Clarinet
- Danielle Napoleon** ..... Bb Clarinet
- David Rausch**..... Bb Clarinet
- Dave Sandusky** ..... Bb Clarinet
- John Toyama**..... Bb Clarinet
- Rita Zigas-Brown** ..... Bb Clarinet
- Karyn Weber** .....Eb Alto Clarinet
- George March**..... Bb Clarinet, Bb Bass Clarinet, Castanet
- Mark Horne**..... EEb Contra Alto Clarinet,  
Bbb Contra Bass Clarinet
- Kathy Boster, Phillip Pollard** (on leave)