

• THE SOLOIST •

Diane Maltester is a renowned musician and educator based in the San Francisco Bay Area, delighting audiences with her expressive and lyrical interpretations in orchestras such as the cutting-edge Oakland Symphony, Festival Opera, Bay Philharmonic, and Vallejo Symphony. She is active as a soloist, chamber music performer and a regular member of Clarinet Fusion. She is highly regarded as an educator, sharing her extensive knowledge and expertise with aspiring musicians and has held faculty positions at various colleges in the area. She is currently the clarinet professor at California State East Bay and Diablo Valley College, and along with her active private studio, she frequently presents clinics in Bay Area schools hoping to inspire the next generation of clarinetists. Maltester's latest album, *Wild Swans*, was released in 2023 on Navona Records and showcases the works of Bay Area composer Nancy Bachmann. It can be found on all major streaming services.



UPCOMING CLARINET FUSION PERFORMANCES

- **October 12, 2025 - 4pm - Fall Concert**
Town Hall Theater - 3535 School Street, Lafayette
- **December 11, 2025 - 7pm - Holiday Concert**
Pleasant Hill Senior Center 233 Gregory Lane, Pleasant Hill

Check our web page/social media for additional 2025 performances

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ROSSMOOR EVENT CENTER
1021 STANLEY DOLLAR DR.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 25, 2025

• 7:00PM •

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



• PROGRAM •

Radetzky Marsch Op.228	Johann Strauss, ad. Jacques Lancelot
An American in Paris	George Gershwin, arr. Matt Johnston
Beach Boys Medley I	The Beach Boys, arr. Alex Ragen, ad. G. March & D. Napoleon
Marche Slave Op.31	Peter Ilyich Tchaikovsky, arr. Matt Johnston
Amazing Grace	Traditional, arr. Keith Terrett
Tarentella from Concerto for Clarinets	Alexis Ciesla <i>Diane Maltester, solo Eb clarinet</i>
Shake It Off	Swift, Martin & Shellback, arr. D. Napoleon
March Op.99	Sergei Prokofiev, arr. Matt Johnston
Pachelbel Memories	Johann Pachelbel/Maroon 5, arr. D. Napoleon
Try Harder!	Alun Cook
Fanfarella Tarantella	Maarten Jense



Tonight's Announcer:
Greg Brown

• PERSONNEL •

Diane Maltester	Eb Clarinet, Bb Clarinet
Danielle Napoleon	Eb Clarinet, Bb Clarinet
Josie Bromley (guest musician).....	Bb Clarinet
David Rausch	Bb Clarinet
John Toyama	Bb Clarinet
Rita Zigas-Brown	Bb Clarinet
Karyn Weber	Eb Alto Clarinet
Kathy Boster	Bb Bass Clarinet
George March	BBb Contra Bass Clarinet, Horn
Not playing tonight: Sarah Hartglass	

• 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 a year until the spring of 2012 when it expanded to a choir which includes the extended range of the harmony clarinets (Alto Clarinet, Contra Clarinets). On June 28, 2012 Clarinet Fusion held its debut performance as a full clarinet choir. Clarinet Fusion performs in the classical style of a chamber music group without a conductor. That is an ongoing challenge for the musicians as they must mutually, and continually, “agree” upon the numerous nuances of tempo, rhythm and blending tone during the performance of any given piece of music.



The group's diverse music programming - spanning style, genre and international boundaries - has attracted attention from arrangers/ composers worldwide who have reached out to them to read their music. In January, 2018, Clarinet Fusion was recognized with the *2017 Arts Recognition Award* from the Contra Costa County Arts and Culture Commission. In June 2022 the ensemble stepped up its visibility with a performance at the International Clarinet Association's *ClarinetFest* in Reno, Nevada, and last July traveled internationally to perform at *ClarinetFest 2024* in Dublin, Ireland!

We appreciate being able to play for you today and hope you will come chat with the musicians after today's performance. Thanks for attending!