

# Past Guest Conductors



Honor String Orchestra  
**Dr. Douglas Bakenhus**  
Associate Professor of Music  
Northwestern State University



Honor String Orchestra  
**Dr. James McWhorter**  
Conductor and Cellist



Honor Symphonic Band  
**Paula Crider**  
University of Texas  
Professor Emeritus (Retired)



Honor Symphonic Band  
**Robert W. Smith**  
Composer / Clinician



Honor Choir  
**Dr. Eduardo Garcia-Novelli**  
Director of Choral Activities  
Lamar University



Honor String Orchestra  
**David Torn**  
Director  
Louisiana Youth Orchestra



Honor Symphonic Band  
**Dr. Lowell Graham**  
Music Department Chair  
University of Texas at El Paso



Honor Jazz Ensemble  
**Mike Vax**  
Big Band Leader, Trumpeter  
Educator



Honor Jazz Ensemble  
**Craig Konicek**  
Getzen Performing Artist



Honor Jazz Ensemble  
**Bill Watrous**  
Adjunct Professor Jazz Studies  
University of Southern California