



Patrick Sheridan, Music Director

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## **SALT RIVER BRASS PRESENTS HOLIDAY POPS!**

**Mesa, AZ** – On Sunday, December 15, 2019, the Salt River Brass Band with Music Director Patrick Sheridan presents **Holiday Pops!** The Salt River Brass decks the concert hall with an afternoon of holiday classics for children of all ages. Join us to make new family memories with a joyful and soulful blend of holiday favorites, including Mel Torme's *The Christmas Song*, an inspired and powerful *O Holy Night*, a swinging *Jingle Bells*, Leroy Anderson's *Sleigh Ride* and finally an audience sing-along to raise the roof of the Mesa Arts Center! Embrace the wonder of the season and ring in the holiday spirit with a 32-year Valley tradition, The Holiday Pops!

**Holiday Pops!** will be performed in the Mesa Arts Center's Ikeda Theater on **Sunday, December 15, 2019, at 3:00 p.m.**, with tickets regularly priced from \$16 to \$25.

Tickets are available through the Mesa Arts Center at [mesaartscenter.com](http://mesaartscenter.com) and by phone at 480.644.6500.

### **2019-2020 Season**

The Salt River Brass is celebrating 32 years of presenting dynamic musical entertainment in the Valley! Join us for our annual series in the Mesa Arts Center's beautiful Ikeda Theater, led by Music Director Patrick Sheridan. Concerts start at 3:00 p.m. Remaining performances include:

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#### **All that Jazz**

Sunday, February 9, 2020

The toes will be tapping and hands will be clapping as we step into the Big Band era. Dan Bukvich keeps the beat for us and guest artists from the Valley will dazzle. For 21 seasons, The Salt River Brass has brought you one of Arizona's largest and electrifying big band shows. Come swing with the SRB and All That Jazz!

### **Bandemonium**

Sunday, March 22, 2020

This concert features audience and band favorites from Patrick Sheridan's 19-year collaboration with the Salt River Brass. Experience a spontaneous eruption of music from old warhorses to fresh new songs. Come hear the uproar of 35 brass and percussion hosted with hilarity and sincerity. It's going to be bandemonium!

### **Fiesta!**

April 26, 2020

In a concert as vibrant as the desert sunset, Maestro Sheridan and the Salt River Brass feature music of Spain and Latin America. Experience the heat, passion, and celebration of this blazing music with a classic songs painting pictures of bullfights, mariachi, and couples dancing the tango. Don't miss this hot audience favorite. ¡Ole!

Performances at the Mesa Arts Center are made possible in part by the support of the City of Mesa Department of Arts and Culture through the Creative Economy Fund.

### **About Salt River Brass Band**

Picture 36 brass and percussion virtuosi crafting the upbeat brilliance of a military band, the full-throated sonorities of a symphony orchestra and the warm intimate sounds of a chamber group. This is the Salt River Brass, with the versatility to program everything from light classics and marches to show tunes, folk melodies and jazz standards.

A nonprofit organization founded by its musicians in January 1988, the Salt River Brass has thrilled audiences in the Valley's finest concert venues and across the state of Arizona. The band and its volunteer musicians are proud to present a six-concert series in the beautiful Mesa Arts Center, regularly featuring outstanding guest soloists, ensembles, conductors and new musical works for our audiences' enjoyment.

### **About Patrick Sheridan, Music Director**

Patrick Sheridan is one of the most celebrated tuba soloists in his instrument's history. He has performed more than 3,000 concerts in over 50 countries in venues ranging from the White House to NBA half-time shows to the Hollywood Bowl. He is a former member of "The President's Own" United States Marine Band and has been featured on NBC's "Today Show" and NPR's "All Things Considered."

Beyond his busy performing life, Patrick is the Chief Design Consultant for Jupiter Band Instruments and XO Brass. He frequently works across the United States as a guest conductor with university bands and orchestras as well as high school and middle school all-state and regional honor bands and orchestras. Along with Sam Pilafian, he is the co-

author of the world's best-selling method for instrumental improvement, The Breathing Gym, which won the 2009 EMMY Award for Instructional/Informational Video Production.