



*The Carlisle Town Band*  
*Fall Concert 2024*

“Music of the Carlisle Indian School Band”  
&  
“Music of Female Composers”

David Rohrer, Conductor

**Sunday, November 17, 2024**  
**3:00 PM**

**Carlisle High School**  
**Clyde & Lyn Barr Auditorium**  
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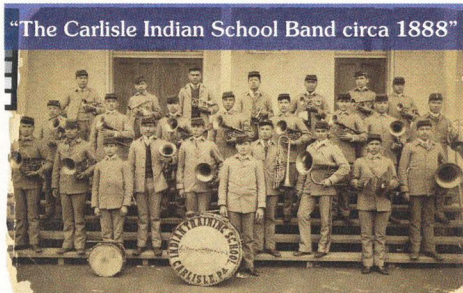
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# Carlisle Indian School

Compiled by Lily Sweeney

Founded by Richard Henry Pratt in 1879 as part of a broader movement to destroy Native American sovereignty through schooling, the Carlisle Indian School enrolled a little under 7,800 Native young people while it was open. It occupied the Carlisle Barracks, near the town of Carlisle, and closed in 1918. Through its Christian, capitalist, and English-only teachings, the school tried to break the ties between Native people, their languages, and their cultures. But because of the resilience of those who attended Carlisle and the other 522 Indian Boarding Schools, their descendants continue to thrive as self-determining, Indigenous peoples.



"The Carlisle Indian School Band circa 1888"

For more information on the history and legacy of the Carlisle Indian School:

Carlisle Indian School Digital Resource Center

<https://carlisleindian.dickinson.edu/>

(This digital collection has hundreds of thousands of pages of primary source documents from when the school was open including student files, photographs, and school newspapers.)

"Carlisle Indian School Research" Podcast

<https://carlisleindianschoolresearch.com/>

(Created by one of the partners of the Carlisle Indian School Resource Center Kate Theimer, this podcast talks about progress for the Resource Center and ongoing research using the documents scanned by the project.)

"The Indigenous Revolt: Carlisle, PA and Beyond"

<https://podcasts.apple.com/us/podcast/the-indigenous-revolt-carlisle-pa-and-beyond/id1773338731>

(A new podcast being produced by the Executive Director of the Center for the Futures of Native Peoples, Dr. Amanda Cheromiah. Per the podcast's description, Dr. Cheromiah "explores the enduring legacy of the Carlisle Indian Industrial School and celebrates the thriving futures of Native Peoples.")



"The Carlisle Indian School Band circa 1896. Dennison Wheelock stands in the center of the bottom row."

If you want to find a book at the local library, you could pick up *Carlisle Indian Industrial School: indigenous histories, memories, and reclamations* edited by Jacqueline Fear-Segal and Susan D. Rose. This book was published in 2016 so some of the details will not contain the most recent findings.

See the National Native American Boarding School Healing Coalition's reading list on their website for other recommendations:

<https://boardingschoolhealing.org/education/resources/recommended-book-list/>

If you are interested in supporting organizations grappling with the legacy of the boarding school system, consider these possibilities:

The National Native American Boarding School Healing Coalition aims "to advocate on behalf of Native peoples impacted by U.S. Indian boarding school policies. [They] seek truth through education and research, justice through activism and policy advocacy, and healing through programs and traditional gatherings."

<https://boardingschoolhealing.org/>

The Language Conservancy works with many different Indigenous language communities to create resources to support language revitalization.

<https://languageconservancy.org/>

The Native American Rights Fund which "[fights] to protect Native American rights, resources, and lifeways through litigation, legal advocacy, and legal expertise."

<https://narf.org/>



"The Carlisle Indian School Band in 1915"





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### Program

- Greetings.....Mr. Jim Shufelt, Band President
- The National Anthem.....John Stafford Smith (1750-1836)  
Words by Francis Scott Key
- In Storm and Sunshine March (1885)..... John Clifford Heed  
(1862-1908)  
edited by Frederick Fennell
- Overview of the Carlisle Indian School..... Lily Sweeney
- Raymond Overture (1851)..... Ambrose Thomas (1811-1896)  
arr. V. F. Safranek
- Overview of the Carlisle Indian School Band ..... Lily Sweeney  
and Dennison Wheelock
- Aboriginal Suite (1900).....Dennison Wheelock (1871-1927)  
Movement III. Dance of the Red Men           arr. David Kammerer
- Carlisle Indian School March (1896) ..... Dennison Wheelock  
(1871-1927)  
arr. David Kammerer

### ... Pause ...

- ConnectUS (2023) .....Carol Brittin Chambers (b.1970)
- Riften Wed (2013) ..... Julie Giroux (b.1961)
- Remembering The Remarkables (2019) .... Grace Bougher (b.1995)
- Wilderness (2021) ..... Cait Nishimura (b.1991)

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[www.carlisleband.org/](http://www.carlisleband.org/)

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