

BETHANY LUTHERAN COLLEGE MUSIC DEPARTMENT PRESENTS

DRUMLINE

INDOOR CONCERT

SIGURD
LEE
THEATER



SATURDAY
MAY 3
4 AND 7PM

OPEN SEATING,
NO TICKETS
REQUIRED

Bethany Lutheran College | 700 Luther Dr. Mankato, Mn 56001

- Performances are free and open to the public.

2025

DIRECTOR'S NOTE

Rhythm is the foundation of music. It is the one musical element that can stand alone. Without rhythm, music is "disorganized sound." The B-Town Drumline indoor show was organized in 2021, so this is now the 5th year! One drummer was part of that first show, and has been involved in drumline ever since—Merobe Gari. She asked, "what do you think about featuring a traditional Ethiopian Dance?" I said, "yes, sounds great!" and with that, she arranged rehearsals, taught the dance, and recruited Andrew Wade to arrange the music. How cool is that?

Along with Merobe, there are seven other drummers set to graduate on May 9. This is a fun last hurrah for them all and quite a memorable send-off ;-). This graduating class will push us past the 100+ drumline alumni mark (say that 10x fast), since the humble beginnings of the drumline in spring 2004...back when I was a college freshman.

Rehearsals for this show started after spring break, and I did not expect so much interest! This Drumline crew is the largest our college has ever seen, and we have the decibel level to prove it. Yes, we always wear ear plugs—and I recommend that you do the same—because our decibel level is the equivalent to that of a thunderclap or chainsaw.

So, what is special about all this drumming? Well, we have quite the creative bunch, with about half of the show's music learned through notation, and the other half of it improvised (see, we can do math!). Yeah, we're kinda making it up as we go along, and with finals next week, this show is the epitome of procrastination.

Anyway, we invite you to sit back, add in ear plugs every now and again, and bask in the sheer acoustic power of 33 drummers. I just hope we sound better than a chainsaw or thunderclap.

- Benjamin Faugstad, *director*



BY THE NUMBERS:

- 96** - B-Town Drumline alumni...soon to be 104!
- 30** - Different types of percussion instruments showcased
- 21** - Years of B-Town Drumline and counting
- 16** - Different majors represented
 - 9** - New drumline members this year
 - 8** - Graduating seniors
 - 8** - Weeks of rehearsal (that's it!) at less than one hour per week
 - 9** - Music majors in our drumline!

PERFORMANCE LINEUP

Pre-show music by the student-led Bethany pep band, directed by Daryan Rosenthal and Renee Geving

*RECOMMEND USE OF EAR PLUGS ^STROBE LIGHTS USED

- 1) RAINSTORM
- 2) BODY PERCUSSION
- *3) FREEZE - *SHAKER*
- *4) TADPOLE - *COWBELL*
- *^5 CARGO - *CAJÓN*
- 6) DRUM SET VS. 5
- 7) BEATBOXING VS. 5
- 8) BAGPIPES VS. 5
- 9) TRADITIONAL ETHIOPIAN DANCE
- *10) DRUMSET BATTLE
- *11) THE DOOR
- 12) CALL & RESPONSE
- 13) TRIPLE BATTLE
- *14) THE TRAIN
- *15) BEAT FACTORY - *TAMBOURINE*
- *16) BEAT CAFÉ - *COFFEE CANS*
- *^ FINALE - *TRADE OFF*



The Bethany Lutheran College Drumline is one of many fine arts groups and programs you'll find on our campus. Your talents are valued at Bethany, and we invite you to learn more about all we have to offer. Schedule a tour and see where Bethany can take you!

Visit blc.edu/thearts

The B-Town Drumline

*Senior ^Community Member
Listed alphabetically by last name:

Snare Drums

Renee Geving Music
*Evan Matzke Computer Science
Peyton Nikoley Elem./Comm. Arts & Lit./5-12 Ed.
*Aly Pettis Music
*Daryan Rosenthal Music
*Nick Schmid Communication
Caleb Tomhave Mechanical Engineering
Andrew Wade Music

Tenor Drums

Mathias Barents Computer Science/Math
Elsa Johansson Music
Samuel Marcus Music
Leah Proehl Computer Science
Jonathan Urban Engineering Sciences

Bass Drums

Noah Bloedel^ Printshop Manager/Web Specialist
*Merobe Gari Nursing
Natalie Hennig Music and Theatre
Madilyn Omar Psychology and Spanish
*Noah Schmid Communication
Tinbite Tilahun Nursing

Toms

Edna Beyene Undecided
Haran Gari Nursing
Simon Kovaciny Music
Soren Masrud Studio Art
Allison Rygh Music and Educational Studies
Misha Yeneneh Engineering Sciences

Cymbals

*Caleb Schultz Religion/Pre-Seminary
William Stottlemeyer Music
Sebastian Rosenthal Business Administration
Rachel Mayes Graphic Design

Auxiliary

Briana Kelly Media Arts
*Nick Pleiss Theatre and Legal Studies

Interested in joining the B-Town Drumline?

New students are welcome at any time.
We look forward to lots of drumming and
fun in the years ahead.

THANK YOU TO:

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Katie Hopp – Poster and Program Design

Jenna Thompson – Fine Arts Coordinator
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