

## **Description Options**

### **Chesapeake *Silver Cornet* Brass Band**

**OPTION 1.** Founded in 1996, The Chesapeake *Silver Cornet* Brass Band is a 35-piece brass and percussion ensemble formed in the tradition of British-style brass bands. The band is a non-profit musical group comprised of professional-level volunteer musicians from communities along the multi-state area of the Chesapeake Bay region including Maryland, Pennsylvania, New Jersey and Delaware. The band is headquartered in Hockessin, Delaware.

From formal performing arts concerts to more casual outdoor summer festivals, the band plays 15-20 concerts per year in the mid-Atlantic area. The band is known for its emphasis on performance quality and its interactive repartee with audiences. The band has released seven CD's and has invited frequently to perform for regional and national music festivals and conventions. The band is also a *Performing Partner* with the Music School of Delaware.

In April of 2013, the band won national honors at the North American Brass Band Competition in Cincinnati, Ohio winning both the Second Division Championship and the Competition's People's Choice Award.

**OPTION 2.** The Chesapeake Brass Band is Delaware's only 35 piece all-brass concert band developed in the tradition of British Brass Bands formed during England's industrial revolution of the late 1800's. Performances feature light classics, marches, big band, swing and blues with a narrative to add humor and educational value to the concert.

**OPTION 3.** Founded in 1996, the Chesapeake Brass Band is a 35-piece all-brass concert band that has been developed in the tradition of the English brass bands of the last century and more recently, the American Sousa-style bands of the early 1990s. The band is comprised of musicians from communities all along the multi-state area of the Chesapeake Bay region area including Maryland, Pennsylvania, New Jersey and Delaware.

Since its inception the band has played hundreds of concerts throughout the Mid-Atlantic area and in New York, Kentucky, and North Carolina for audiences as large as 20,000 people. The band has released seven CD's and has been invited three times to perform for the national convention of the American Association of Concert Bands. In 2013 the band won the North American Brass Band Competition (Division II) in Cincinnati, Ohio. At that event, the band also won the National People's Choice award.

The band plays a wide repertoire of music from traditional British brass band transcriptions to light classics, marches, big band/swing, jazz and pops as well as providing a narrative on the music to add personal interest, humor and educational value to their concerts.

The band is one of the few British-style brass bands in the United States. For more information on brass bands see [www.NABBA.org](http://www.NABBA.org) or [www.chesapeakebrassband.org](http://www.chesapeakebrassband.org).

**OPTION 4.** The Chesapeake Brass Band is one of the few all-brass concert bands in the United States. Headquartered in Hockessin, Delaware, the band is comprised of members from Maryland, New Jersey, Pennsylvania as well as Delaware. The band is modeled after the Sousa-style bands of the early 1900's and the traditional factory brass bands in England as noted in the feature movie *Brassed Off*.

The band has released seven CD's including the popular Brass Under Glass and Marching With the Chesapeake Brass Band.

**OPTION 6.** Relive the Golden Era of the American Concert Band.

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The band has released seven professional recordings and in 2013, won national honors at the North American Brass Band Competition in Cincinnati, Ohio winning both the Second Division Championship and the Competition's People's Choice Award.