

# WAMSB NEWS

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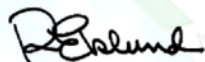
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Greetings from WAMSB International! We would like to congratulate all of our affiliates on their many successful events and workshops this year.

WAMSB Colombia has elected a new board of directors and are looking forward to a very active year.

WAMSB continues to grow with more events in more countries than ever before. WAMSB is the world's largest and longest standing International organization dedicated to marching show bands, and we are thrilled at the continued growth which is occurring around the world. We hope to provide many more updates of what is happening in the world as there is so much to celebrate!



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## 2017 WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP UPDATE

Congratulations to Mr. Brian Ingelson and Beverly Ingelson, co-chairs of the 2017 World Championships held in Palm Springs this past November. The Championships included Marching Parade, Marching Show, Concert Band & Jazz ensembles. This was the first time the World Championships have been held in the USA, and it was a fantastic international event. Bands from Brazil, Poland, Germany, Czechoslovakia, China and the USA participated.



**Congratulations to the 2017 World Championship Bands:**

**Xii Primary School Wind Symphony, China - Junior Concert Band**  
**Famuta Fanfarra Municipal de Taubate, Brazil - Sr. Concert Band**  
**Hettstedter Spielmanzugg "Blau-Weiss" 1919, Germany - Parade Band**  
**Rancho Verde Crimson Regiment, USA -Show Band**





## 2018 WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS - TAIPEI CITY, TAIWAN

We are looking forward to the 2018 World Championships which will be hosted in Taipei, Taiwan. Please spread the word and help your nation be represented at the Championships! There is still time to get involved and be a part of this incredible event. For more information, please see the WAMSB website.



The Mayor of Palm Springs along with Mr. Brian Ingelson present the Host City Flag

to Canon Huang, director of the 2018 WAMSB World Championships being held in Taiwan.



## 2018 THAILAND OPEN MARCHING ARTS COMPETITION

The inaugural competition in Thailand was a fantastic success, with 38 groups competing! Results are on the WAMSB website.



## POLAND TO HOLD IT'S FIRST WAMSB SANCTIONED EVENT

The Music Festival "Alte Kamerden" (Old Comrades) will be held in accordance with the WAMSB Rules on May 19/20, 2018 in the city of Gorzów Wielkopolski. Competitions will include a march parade, show and concert event.

## IRISH MARCHING BAND ASSOCIATION LOOKING TO HOST WAMSB EVENT

We are thrilled to be working towards bringing WAMSB to Ireland. Check the website for updates on this exciting possibility!

## ALL 2018 OFFICIALLY SANCTIONED WAMSB EVENTS

For the most current list of official WAMSB events, please check the website.

## 2017 WAMSB AGM (ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING)

Our 2017 Annual General Meeting took place at the Midwest Band and Orchestra Clinic in Chicago, Illinois. Exciting plans were discussed and reports of many of the events held around the world were presented.

Minutes of the meeting have been sent to board members and affiliates, so please be sure to connect with them about all the exciting developments for 2018. For a list of current members of our International Board of Directors and Advisory Panels, visit the website.

## NEW WEBSITE IS UP!

We are excited to have a brand new website. We hope you can check it out, with all new features, events, official results, communications and integration with mobile phones and social media! [www.wamsb.org](http://www.wamsb.org)



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