



Photo by Head Climbing Coach Travis Gray

The Brevard College climbing team at their first event of the 2017/18 season at the Appalachian State University competition in Boone, NC this past weekend. Pictured left to right: (back) Matt Stevens, Eli Hyatt, Sam Willis, Jordan Haak, Sam Schaer, Lauren Fowler (front) Ben Lawson, Will Christiansen, Nathan Boepple. Results to follow as soon as they are released.

## BC concert honoring our Veterans

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The Brevard College Wind Ensemble and the Brevard Community Band put on a magnificent concert Thursday, Nov. 9 at 7:30 p.m. in honor of Veterans Day. Joining them were the Brevard College Concert Choir and members of the Transylvania Choral Society.

The concert was held in Scott Concert Hall in the Porter Center and the program consisted of seven pieces of music. Conducting these were Dr. Eric Peterson, Mr. Jamie Hafner and Dr. Vance Reese playing the organ.

The first piece was titled "Illumination," composed by David Maslanka. He wrote, "I am especially interested in composing music for young people that allows them a vibrant experience of their own creative energy. A powerful

experience of this sort stays in the heart and mind as a channel for creative energy, no matter what the life path.... 'Illumination' is an open and cheerful piece in a quick tempo..." Dr. Eric Peterson directed this piece.

The second piece, directed by Jamie Hafner, was "Jubel Overture" written by Carl Maria von Weber. "The 'Jubel Overture' is a celebratory piece..." as the description states. Much of the audience stood during the piece to sing along with the band when they played the tune to "My Country 'Tis of Thee" making it a very joyful piece of music.

"Beyond the Horizon" was written by Rossano Galante, directed at the concert by Dr. Eric Peterson. It is "a dynamic composition encompassing majestic brass fanfares and sweeping melodic

lines." The music is written as a portrayal of Earth's beautiful horizon.

Following an intermission, "Polka and Fugue," from "Schwanda the Bagpiper," written by Jaromir Weinberger, featured Dr. Vance Reese as an organ soloist. The piece really tells the story of "Schwanda the Bagpiper" throughout with a triumphant finish. The finish was certainly a big one and overall it was a marvelous piece.

The next piece was performed as "A Salute to Our Veterans." It was called "Journal for a Soldier," written by Brian Balmages, and directed by Dr. Eric Peterson. An unknown source passed around a journal on an airplane flight for others to write notes in for a father and husband in the

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