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West Central Concert Band performs Dec. 5 at Ferris

BIG RAPIDS – A lively assortment of Christmas favorites is promised Sunday, Dec. 5, when Ferris State University’s West Central Concert Band gives its annual Holiday Band Concert. The free public performance begins at 4 p.m. in FSU’s Williams Auditorium.

Program highlights include Leroy Anderson’s perennial classic, “Sleigh Ride,” and “In Bethlehem on a Cold, Cold Night” by Big Rapids resident Robert Garrels. The concert also features the talents of local vocalist Rachel Schumann and narrator Donna Smith, according to Director Richard Scott Cohen, who serves as director of instrumental ensembles at the University.

Other selections to be presented are “Adagio,” “A Christmas Festival,” “Have Yourself a Merry Little Christmas,” “Radetzky March,” “Shalom!” and “Silent Night.”

Currently celebrating its 13th concert season, the West Central Concert Band is comprised of talented musicians from the area, including Ferris students, adult community members and selected high school students. The WCCB is sponsored by Ferris as part of its “Music for Life” program.

Persons needing assistance with attending this event should call Williams Auditorium at 591-3676.