

ROBERT (BOB) BAILEY

Band & Instrumentals

Robert (Bob) Bailey has taught music for over 41 years, working with students of all ages. Much of his time has been spent building and maintaining his thriving music program in Camrose, which has earned him much recognition from the provincial music community through awards bestowed upon his musical groups and on him professionally. Consequently, Bob is a sought-after guest conductor, clinician, and music festival adjudicator throughout Alberta.

Highlights of his career include an Excellence in Teaching Award, guest conductor for the Southern Alberta Junior High Honour Band [2007], recipient of the inaugural University of Alberta Fine Arts Achievement Award (Augustana Campus) [2009], recipient of the Alberta Band Association (Elkhorn) Band Director of the Year Award [2015], honoured with the David Peterkin Memorial Award in recognition of outstanding contribution to Band and Band Music from the International Bandmasters Fraternity, Phi Beta Mu [2023], Award of Merit from the Royal Canadian Legion [2023], nomination for a Canadian Juno Award [2024], having been selected as one of five national finalists for MusiCounts' 2024 Music Teacher of the Year, and most recently the City of Camrose Mayor's Arts Champion Award, bestowed in September [2024]. A member of the Alberta Choral Federation, the International Bandmasters' Fraternity Phi Beta Mu, and the Alberta Band Association,

Bob has served on various boards and committees for these organizations as well as several Camrose community arts organizations (including the Camrose & District Music Festival) over the years. Bob plays trumpet in various ensembles in his free time - the Camrose & District Community Band, the Battle River Big Band, and the Simply Brass Quintet. He believes that music is necessary to a well-rounded education, and that participation in music changes lives, promotes community, and benefits students intellectually, socially, and emotionally.