

# SKULL SESSION

NOVEMBER 1, 2025

### STRANGER THINGS

WE WELCOME OUR SPECIAL GUEST: Batavia High School Marching Band

under the direction of Dave Smith

**DOTTING THE "I" TODAY:** 

**Kelly Scott** 

Worthington, OH // Primary Education



#### **PROGRAM**

Fanfare for a New Era	Swearinger	
Entrance of the Ohio State Bucke	eyes	
Navy Hymn	Whiting & Dykes, arr. McCoy	
Pregame		
Buckeye Battle Cry   Traditional Ramp	EntranceCrumit, arr. Heine	
The Star Spangled Banner	Key, arr. Heine	
The Nittany Lion	Leyder	
Beautiful Ohio	MacDonald, arr. Heine	
Le Regiment de Sambre et Meuse   So	cript OhioPlanquette, arr. Heine	
Chimes and Carmen Ohio	Heine & Evans, Cornell, arr. Heine	
Across the Field	Dougherty, arr. Heine	

#### **Halftime: A Minecraft Halftime Show**

Drill design: Christopher Hoch Music arranged by: John Brennan, Mark Reynolds (percussion)

Separate Ways	Cain, Perry; arr. Brennan
Hazy Shade of Winter	Simon; arr. Brennan
Should I Stay or Should I Go	Headon, Jones arr. Brennan
Running Up That Hill	Bush; arr. Brennan
	Burton, Hammett, Hetfield, Ulrich; arr. Brennan
Time After Time	Lauper; arr. Brennan
Theme from The Neverending Stor	ry Moroder, arr. Brennan

#### **TODAY'S MUSIC ARRANGER**

John Brennan, a native of Columbus, Ohio, joined The Ohio State University Marching Band arranging staff in 2010. A former five-year member and graduate assistant with the OSUMB, Brennan has earned both his bachelor's in music education (2009) and his master of arts (2014) degrees from Ohio State. During his time as a music arranger with the OSUMB, Brennan has had quick success with the band. His arrangements were featured in the 2012 viral hit "Tribute to Classic Video Games" halftime show. Additionally, the band has performed his halftime shows at the 2015 Allstate Sugar Bowl, the 2016 BattleFrog Fiesta Bowl and the December 2017 Goodyear Cotton Bowl Classic. In addition to the Ohio State Marching and Athletic Bands, he also writes for Arrangers Publishing Company and over a dozen middle school and high school bands across the state of Ohio.

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We can only be The Best Damn Band in the Land with fans like you.

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# THE OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY MARCHING BAND FEATURED EVENT

## 2025 HOMETOWN CONCERT // NOVEMBER 7, 2025 MERSHON AUDITORIUM

Join The Ohio State University Marching Band for our annual Hometown Concert, held this year at Mershon Auditorium on Ohio State's campus on Friday, Nov. 7. The Best Damn Band in the Land will entertain fans with selections from its popular halftime shows, fan favorites and traditional Ohio State tunes.

