

The Third Annual (sort of) Brass Bash

being a very intentionally quite casual gathering of professional and student brass players of all ages and levels to play for each other and with each other in three types of brass music: rehearsed, under-rehearsed, and un-rehearsed.

We typically get 80 to 90 players showing up, depending on how much work is going on in town and how well we've chosen a date. (We have tried to get the Super Bowl to change dates with us but so far to no effect). We play pieces ranging from duets to large brass ensembles and the repertoire ranges over five centuries.

What actually happens only takes real shape in the final days, but so far the list for this year includes:

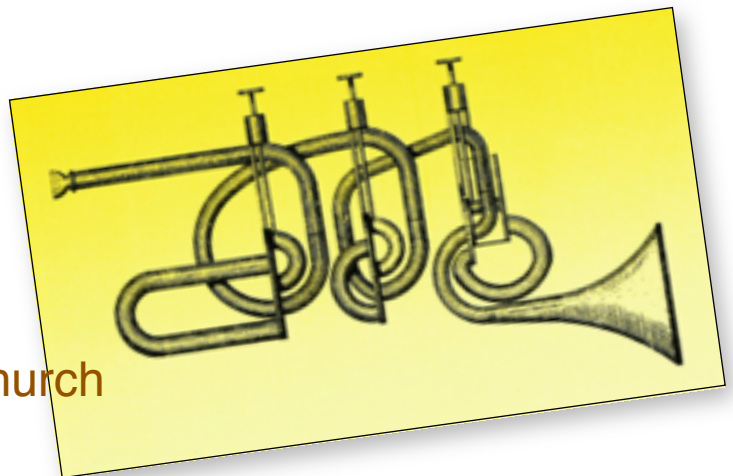
a trombone ensemble, "The Slide Rules", from JPL/CalTech, a renaissance group with early instruments, a Horn quartet from Colburn School, a youth jazz/funk group from Manhattan Beach, the Cresenta Valley High School Jazz Band with Isamu McGregor, composer and piano soloist, a possible brass ensemble from Cal State Long Beach playing Takemitsu "Garden Rain", a possible brass quintet from Long Beach area and also one from USC - and other things which will surprise not only you but us.

And we will sight-read three to five pieces with everyone - usually big Gabrieli works which no one could afford to pay us to play and some other stuff besides. *The public is invited to attend.* There is no admission charge but we will ask for donations to help pay the church for the operating expenses.

All this taking place in a church possessing probably the best acoustic space for brass in all of Los Angeles.

Friday, Feb 10, 7.30 pm

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