

Marquette City Band Strategic Initiatives 2021-2023

Mission: The Marquette City Band exists to perform artistically engaging concert music for the Marquette community, to carry on the proud tradition of a community band that has existed in Marquette for more than a century, to provide an opportunity for young musicians to experience playing in an advanced music ensemble, and to provide an opportunity for adults to continue performing high level traditional and contemporary band repertoire beyond their high school and college years.

During the three years from 2021-2023 in support of our mission, the Board of Directors will strive to meet the following strategic initiatives:

1. Develop a citizens advisory group for the Marquette City Band which will meet twice yearly to provide community feedback. This will be composed of non-musician members of the community of Marquette.
2. Explore avenues to provide musical diversity opportunities for the band and audience by introducing music literature drawn from a variety of historical periods, world cultures, musical styles and forms. This initiative will extend invitations to guest artists of diverse backgrounds and expertise.
3. Bring in an experienced clinician who will evaluate the band and facilitate discussion for improvement.
4. Plan an exchange concert with another community band.
5. Continue to develop our instrument inventory.
6. Commission a piece for the band by a renowned composer.
7. Collaborate with the City of Marquette to improve the Band Shell.
8. Tour and perform in another community.
9. Host the Upper Peninsula Community Band Festival in 2022.