Macalester College Pipe Band

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Champion supreme grade 3 pipe band MWPBA

The macalester college pipe band is the premier pipe band in minnesota. they have bands in grade 3 and 5 and are available for performances. The Macalester College Pipe Band carries a 50-year tradition and is one of only a handful of college pipe bands in the United States. The band is composed of students, alumni, and accomplished community members. Both aspiring student pipers and drummers are encouraged to join the band. Macalester students are offered free private lessons of 45 minutes to an hour per week, in addition to a weekly full band rehearsal. On-campus workshops and performances have been given by performars such as Ken Eller, James McGillivray, Bruce Gandy, Lindsay Kirkwood, Donald Lindsay, and drummers Hugh Cameron, Harvey Dawson, Gordon Bell and Tim Gladden. Members of the Pipe Band wear the tartan of Clan McAllister. The band performs at various Macalester and Twin Cities functions throughout the year, including all-college convocations, the commencement exercises, local parades, and celebrations. There are also occasional opportunities for solo performances. If you live in the Twin Cities or remain here during the summer you will find that the program remains active. We currently have prize-winning bands in Grade III and V that compete throughout the USA and Canada. Most of these competitions are held during the summer. Macalester students often begin the pipes or drums during their time at Macalester and, with diligent practice, can become proficient band members and soloists before they graduate. Beginners on pipes first learn to play the chanter, graduating to the full band and highland pipes when ready. Macalester provides all of the instruments and uniforms.

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