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**RESEARCH PRESENTATION - Sara Maganzini**

# **SOUND IDENTITY of a wind band**



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1. What is the «sound identity» of a wind band?

2. Where does a specific «sound identity» come from?

3. Why is «sound identity» important?

## RESEARCH QUESTIONS

6. How can you preserve a specific «sound identity»?

5. How do you create a «sound identity»?

4. How is «sound identity» related to repertoire?

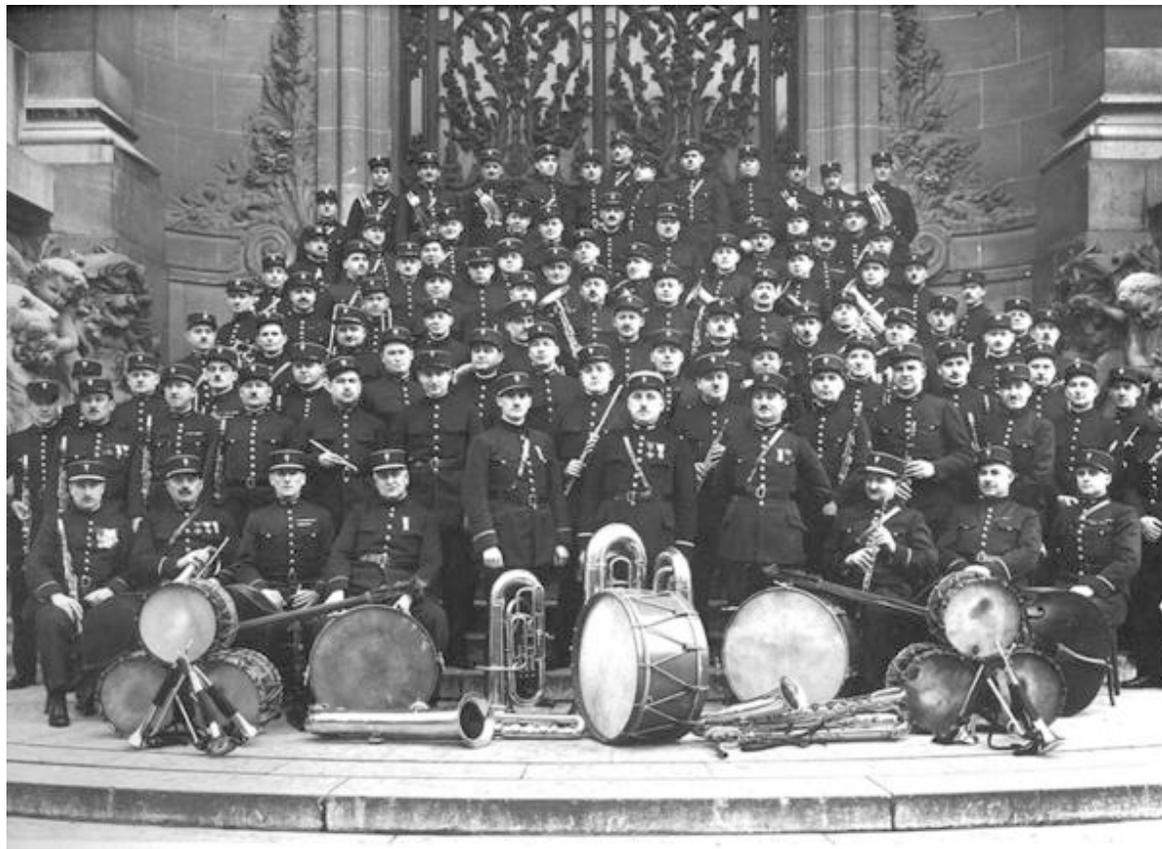
# RESEARCH ANSWERS

HISTORY

REPERTOIRE

COMPOSERS  
CONDUCTORS

# FRENCH SOUND IDENTITY



**La Musique des Gardiens de la Paix de Paris**

**- Overture in c minor / C.S.Catel**

**(conducted by Désiré Dondeyne - performed in 1962)**



# ITALIAN SOUND IDENTITY



**Banda dell'Arma dei Carabinieri - La Danza delle Ore / A.Ponchielli**  
(performed in 1964)

# BELGIAN SOUND IDENTITY



**Royal Symphonic Band of the Belgian Guides - Toccata & Fugue / J.S.Bach  
(trascr. A.Prevest - performed in 1958)**



**Royal Symphonic Band of the Belgian Guides - Toccata & Fugue / J.S.Bach  
(trascr. A.Prevest - performed in 1993)**

# DIONYSIAQUES Op.62

## FLORENT SCHMITT

- ▶ Composed in 1913 for the Musique de la Garde Républicaine de Paris
- ▶ Was premiered in 1925 by the same professional wind band in Paris
- ▶ First recording was in 1927 and again three months later in 1928 of which it is possible to listen to some excerpts :



Musique de la Garde Républicaine de Paris (recorded in 1928)



Musique de la Garde Républicaine de Paris (performed between 1945-69)

*ad lib.*

1 Petit Bugle en Mi♭ (ou 2)  
 2 Bugles en Si♭ (ou 4) (A)  
 2 Bugles en Si♭ (ou 4) (B)  
 1<sup>er</sup> Alto en Mi♭  
 2<sup>e</sup> et 3<sup>e</sup> Altos en Mi♭  
 2 Barytons en Si♭  
 6 Basses en Si♭  
 6 Contrebasses en Si♭

*ad lib.* 2 Contrebasses à cordes (ou 4)

**Lent** ♩ = 54 *approximativement*

The image shows a musical score for a brass and woodwind ensemble. It features ten staves. The top five staves are for brass instruments: 1. Petit Bugle in E-flat (or 2), 2. Bugles in B-flat (or 4) (A), 2. Bugles in B-flat (or 4) (B), 1st Alto in E-flat, and 2nd and 3rd Alti in E-flat. The bottom five staves are for bass instruments: 2. Basses in B-flat, 6. Contrabasses in B-flat, and 2. Contrabasses on strings (or 4). The score is in 4/4 time and marked 'Lent' with a tempo of approximately 54 beats per minute. The music begins with a dynamic of *p* (piano) and includes various articulations and dynamics such as *f* (forte), *pp* (pianissimo), and *pizz. f* (pizzicato forte). The score is divided into measures by vertical bar lines.



Musique des Gardiens de la Paix (performed between 1954-79)



Harmonie St. Michael - Thorn (performed in 2018)

# DIONYSIAQUES Op.62

trascr. Felix Hauswirth

1st / 2nd Trombone

3rd / Bass Trombone

1st / 2nd Euphonium

1st / 2nd Tuba

String Bass

Timpani

Snare Drum  
Tenor Drum



Asian wind band (2018)



Norwegian wind band (2017)



Musique de la Garde Républicaine de Paris (recorded in 1928)

Orchestre d'Harmonie  
de la Région Centre  
(performed in 2015)





Musique de la Garde Républicaine de Paris (recorded in 1928)

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# RESEARCH CONCLUSIONS

Globalization

Disappearing  
of «old»  
instruments

Loss of  
traditions  
and culture

**Thank you for your attention!**

