

Baytown Concert Band to host concert April 21 at PAC

The Baytown Concert Band will present its Spring Concert at 7:30 p.m. Friday, April 21, at the Lee College Performing Arts Center.

Ken Booker, conductor of the Baytown Concert Band and Director of Instrumental Music at Lee College, said the theme of the evening's free performance is "Vesuvius," which is also one of the pieces being performed.

"It's a community band that has a few students in it, but most of the people in it are from the community," he said.

Booker said most of the music is classical, though he does introduce some newer selections as well. The Concert Band mainly differs from an orchestra in that it has no string instruments.

In addition to conducting and teaching, Booker is a composer, and the performance will feature one of his compositions titled "Black Water Scenes."

"It's really about East Texas," Booker said. "One of the movements is called "Red Clay." He said the title "Black Water Scenes" is meant to evoke the feel of the woods of that region.

"You see that still water that is black because of the shadows. The cypress trees and stuff like that make it look kind of (black)," he said.