



New Paltz HS Band Students Learn From The Composer of Their Music

Band students at New Paltz High School worked with the famous Dutch composer Johan De Meij in rehearsal. On Tuesday March 19th, all 90 band students traveled to SUNY Ulster to participate in a band festival hosted by the music department at the college.

De Meij listened, critiqued, and praised NPHS Band students as they performed a movement from his work "*Symphony No. 1 - The Lord of the Rings.*" Students observed other high school bands and enjoyed a meal at SUNY Ulster before appearing in an evening concert that also featured the SUNY Ulster Wind Ensemble, an elite audition-only ensemble featuring a number of advanced New Paltz CSD student performers.

