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LAKE HOPATCONG, NJ — Fusion Drum & Bugle "Core" is proud to present its 2016 production entitled "UP". Celebrating their 10th anniversary in DCA, Fusion will explore musical and visual extremes in all different directions; using arrows as its central visual focus.

Jarring effects and dissonance surround the first movement, "Chaos" (*Ignition* by Todd Stalter) , when members, wearing arrows facing in all different directions, take spectators on a fast-paced journey of finding your way when other forces are moving against you. Creative staging, led by drill writer, Steve Rinda and Visual Caption Head Justin Wilson, will keep you entertained right out of the gate.

As the arrows change direction, Fusion brings to life a gorgeous ballad, "Down", from Music Arranger, Chris Bernotas which depicts the humble emotion of reflection. Dark, rich tones from Fusion's brass line, led by caption head, Brian Wilkie will offer an interesting twist to the Fleetwood Mac's *Landslide*.

Fusion leaves its darker ballad when the arrows point to each other and the Core plays "Conflict" (*Asphalt Cocktail* by John Mackey). This high-adrenaline piece will explore interweaving melodies along with an incredible percussion feature, led by caption heads, Mike Schmitt and Jamie Szeinberg. Which side of the arrow will win? You'll have to see on the field!

Creating a finale that only Fusion can, members turn their arrows UP, moving in the same direction in their high-velocity closer, "Up" (*Windsprints* by Richard Saucedo and Hal Leonard). Highlighting Fusion's award-winning color guard, led by caption head Rob Watson, this up-tempo movement creates an effect at the end of the journey that will have you on your feet long before the show is over.

"2016 marks an exciting year for our organization," says Director, Holly Marino. "In our 10th anniversary season, we wanted to design a show surrounding the emotional highs and lows we've experienced as a growing and successful drum corps. This year's production of UP not only tells our story, but one that our fans will love to watch and listen to."

For more information on Fusion Core, please visit www.fusioncorenj.com. 2016 Open House is scheduled for Saturday, November 28 and Sunday, November 29, 2015 at Eisenhower Middle School in Randolph, NJ. For details about auditions and open house, visit the Fusion website.

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