



June 27th, 2023

The U.S. Air Force Academy Band
520 Otis Street
Peterson SFB CO 80914-1620

Dear Candidate,

Thank you for inquiring about auditioning for a trumpet position with the United States Air Force Academy Band. This musical audition will be conducted in two parts: (a) a prescreening by e-mailing Google Drive or Dropbox links to MP3 files (encoded at 320kbps for best quality), a one page résumé, professional reference letter of recommendation (no more than three) and (b) a live audition for those selected from the initial screening. Details concerning both prescreen submission and the live auditions are attached. Please review these requirements carefully to determine if you are prepared to take the audition at this time. The following information outlines the requirements and important dates.

- September 8th, 2023 Deadline for receipt of all musical prescreening materials and résumé.
- September 15th, 2023 Each candidate will be notified whether or not he/she is invited to participate in the live auditions.
- October 24-27th, 2023 Live audition at Peterson Space Force Base, Colorado Springs, CO.

In addition to passing the musical audition, you must also meet other criteria in order to become a member of an Air Force. Before applying, you must meet the following Air Force eligibility requirements.

- Age: You must be able to enlist in the Air Force between the ages of 17–39.
- Weight: Individuals must meet weight requirements in order to enlist in the Air Force.
- Medical: Individuals must be qualified for worldwide duty. Chronic medical problems, congenital defects etc., may be disqualifying factors.
- Financial: A severe financial problem could be a disqualifying factor.
- Criminal: A criminal record could be a disqualifying factor.
- Citizenship: You must be a natural born citizen, naturalized, or able to complete the naturalization process within four years.

For more precise information on becoming a member of the U.S. Air Force, please visit www.airforce.com

*****Prior Service and Active Duty members - please contact the USAFA Band Auditions team for additional information prior to submitting materials.*****

If you are invited to the live audition, you will be required to meet with an official Air Force recruiter to be pre-qualified for basic military training. If you have any questions that pertain to the aforementioned eligibility requirements, please do not hesitate to email or call us.

Thank you so much for contacting the United States Air Force Academy Band regarding our upcoming audition. We hope you have a great experience during this process and wish you the best of luck. Please let me know if I can help you with anything. Do not hesitate to contact me directly at (618) 767-1477 or email usafbandauditions@gmail.com if you have additional questions.

Sincerely,

CHRIS JACKSON, TSgt, USAF
The USAF Academy Band
NCOIC, Auditions

Attachments:

1. Pre-screening Requirements
2. Job Qualifications
3. Pre-screening Music



ANNOUNCES A PREMIER BAND OPENING FOR: TRUMPET

**PRE-SCREENING
REQUIREMENTS
INCLUDE:**

- Resume
- Professional reference letter of recommendation (no more than three)
- Audio Recordings:
 - Charlier – Etude #6: Half Note = 63
 - Taps – Quarter Note = circa 60
 - Ives – Variations on ‘America’: Quarter Note = 138
 - Sousa – “El Capitan” March: Quarter Note = 120 [no repeats; 2nd ending only]

All résumés and pre-screening materials must be received by September 8th, 2023

LIVE Audition Date:

October 24-27, 2023, Peterson Space Force Base, Colorado Springs, CO

Each candidate will be notified of prescreen results by September 15th, 2023. Live audition is by invitation only.

**E-mail MP3 Files (encoded at 320kbps), Résumé and References, both via Google Drive or Dropbox to:
usafbandauditions@gmail.com**

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visit our website at <https://www.music.af.mil/Bands/US-Air-Force-Academy-Band/> for further information.
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Trumpet

Qualifications: Must be an expert classical trumpet player with the ability to perform in professional chamber and concert ensembles, ceremonial/marching band units, and popular music groups. Must possess outstanding stylistic command over diverse musical genres. Must produce outstanding characteristic tone and control of the instrument's sound to enhance musicality at the highest level. Must have outstanding sight-reading, performance technique, and the ability to master advanced literature quickly. Must perform with very accurate pitch, and the ability to move seamlessly through different tempi, meters, and rhythmic subdivisions. Must demonstrate effortless and creative phrasing and dynamics, both written and implied in diverse musical styles.

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♩ 6

Andante cantabile sans lenteur (M.M. 63 = d)

遅くなく

dolce

p

espressivo

f

f

f

p

f

poco a poco string. e cres.

een do

senza string.

p

ad libitum

rit.

Tempo

mf

f

poco agitato

The musical score consists of ten staves of music in a single system. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 6/8. The tempo is marked 'Andante cantabile sans lenteur' with a metronome marking of 63 = d. The score includes various dynamics such as *dolce*, *p*, *f*, *espressivo*, *ad libitum*, *rit.*, and *Tempo*. There are also performance instructions like 'senza string.' and 'poco a poco string. e cres.'. The piece concludes with a *poco agitato* section. A large bracket on the left side of the page groups the first six staves.

Taps

PERFORMANCE PROCEDURES AT OTHER CEREMONIES

1. Bugler is to prepare before the funeral, making sure to have the proper ceremonial uniform and outer wear in case of inclement weather. Uniform, appearance, and instrument should meet or exceed the military standards as outlined in regulations.
2. Bugler is to report to the ceremony site at the appropriate time and report to the Officer In Charge or Non-Commissioned Officer In Charge.
3. Bugler will sound Taps at designated signal. After sounding Taps, the bugler will render a hand salute and Order Arms on his/her own.

PERFORMANCE GUIDELINE

1. The sounding of Taps at ceremonies is the most sacred duty a bugler can perform. Every effort should be made to sound a perfect Taps in keeping with the solemn and impressive occasion of a military ceremony.
2. The call should be sounded with conviction and not rushed. Every effort should be made to perform musically and with good intonation.
3. Careful attention should be made to the rhythm of the 7th, 8th, 10th, 11th, 13th and 14th notes of Taps to insure they are played as straight eight notes.

Andante ♩=60 (circa)



VARIATIONS ON 'AMERICA'

1st Bb Cornet (Trumpet)

CHARLES IVES

Transcribed for Band by William E. Rhoads
Based on the Orchestra Version by William Schuman

Var. V (♩ = ca. 138)

mf

mf

p

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"El Capitan" March.

Solo B \flat Cornet.

[No repeats; 2nd ending only]

SOUSA.

♩. = 120

ff *f* *p*

f *ff* *mp* *fff*

mp