



**DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE**  
**HEADQUARTERS UNITED STATES AIR FORCE**  
**WASHINGTON, DC**

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Air Force Bands Division, SAF/PA  
1690 AF Pentagon, Room 1D857  
Washington, DC 20330-1690

Dear Applicant,

Thank you for your interest in the bass audition hosted by the United States Air Force Band of the West. This clarinet audition will be conducted in two parts: (1) an initial screening and selection by pre-recorded submissions and (2) a live audition for those selected from the initial screening. Details concerning the pre-screening submission are attached. Please look over the requirements carefully to determine if you are prepared to audition at this time. The following information outlines important dates and requirements.

21 June 2023 – Deadline for receipt of all musical pre-screening materials  
5 July 2023 – Notification of pre-screening results sent by email  
16 August 2023 – Live audition at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, TX

In addition to passing the bass audition, applicants must meet all Air Force age, weight, medical, financial, legal, and citizenship requirements. Many of your initial questions concerning the USAF enlisted military experience can be answered at <https://www.airforce.com/>. 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. The audition coordinator can assist with this process and provide further instructions.

Qualified applicants may be assigned to any USAF Regional Band, depending on the greatest need of the Air Force. Air Force Regional Bands are located at the following Air Force Bases: Langley, Wright-Patterson, Scott, Offutt, Lackland, Travis, Ramstein, Hickam and Yokota.

Thank you for your interest in the upcoming audition for the United States Air Force Bands. We hope you have a great experience during this process and wish you the best of luck. Please contact The Band of the West with any questions at 737-708-7188 or [bandofthewestauditions@gmail.com](mailto:bandofthewestauditions@gmail.com).

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# The United States Air Force Band of the West

JBSA-Lackland, San Antonio, TX

ANNOUNCES AN AUDITION FOR

## String/ Electric Bass

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### PRE-SCREENING REQUIREMENTS INCLUDE:

1. String Bass
  - Solo: Your choice, any genre.
  - Jazz: 2 songs (bossa, swing or bebop) performed with live musicians or background track. Include at least 1 chorus solo on each.
2. Electric Bass
  - 3 song clips (2-3 min each) showcasing a variety of styles (rock/pop, country, R&B, funk, etc.) performed with live musicians or background track.

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Pre-screening materials must be received by 21 June, 2023.

LIVE Audition Date: 16 August, 2023 San Antonio, TX (JBSA Lackland)

Each candidate will be notified of results by 5 July, 2023. Live audition is invitation only. Email MP3 Files to [bandofthewestauditions@gmail.com](mailto:bandofthewestauditions@gmail.com)

Benefits: Full medical and dental benefits

30 days vacation with pay per year

GI Bill for college up to \$80,000

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