

DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE

HEADQUARTERS UNITED STATES AIR FORCE WASHINGTON, DC

22 October 2024

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

Dear Applicant,

Thank you for your interest in the bassoon audition hosted by the United States Air Force Heritage of America Band. This musical 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.

16 Feb 2025 – Deadline for receipt of all musical pre-screening materials 25 Mar 2025 – Notification of pre-screening results sent by email

22 Apr 2025 – Live audition at Langley Air Force Base, Hampton, VA

In addition to passing the musical 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, we recommend you meet with an official Air Force recruiter to help determine any potentially disqualifying conditions. 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 Heritage of America Band with any questions at 757-764-6069 or hoabauditions@gmail.com.

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THE UNITED STATES AIR FORCE HERITAGE OF AMERICA BAND

Langley AFB, VA

ANNOUNCES AN AUDITION FOR

Bassoon

PRE-SCREENING REQUIREMENTS

- a. Solo: perform the following (or select a comparable solo work)
 - i. Mozart: Bassoon Concerto, K. 191, Mvt 1, exposition
- b. Excerpts: submit 4 excerpts showcasing a variety of styles. Suggested excerpts include, but are not limited to:
 - i. Mozart, The Marriage of Figaro, m. 139-171
 - ii. Tchaikovsky, Symphony No. 4, Mvt. II, m. 274-end
 - iii. Stravinsky, Rite of Spring, beginning to 3 after block 3
 - iv. Rimsky-Korsakov, Scheherazade, Mvt. II, beginning to A

Please submit audio recordings (MP3 files preferred) only. Please include name and selection title in each file name (Last, First_Selection Title). Submit recordings via cloud sharing services such as Google Drive (preferred), Dropbox, etc. Please ensure all files are accessible for viewing/download.

Please submit all recording files/links to hoabauditions@gmail.com

MATERIALS DUE: 16 Feb 2025

RESULTS OF PRE-SCREENING: 25 Mar 2025

LIVE AUDITION DATE (BY INVITATION ONLY): 22 Apr 2025

Questions? Contact auditions staff at hoabauditions@gmail.com