



**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 saxophone audition hosted by the United States Air Force Band of the West. 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.

1 July 2022 – Deadline for receipt of all musical pre-screening materials
11 July 2022 – Notification of pre-screening results sent by email
22 August 2022 – Live audition at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, TX

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, 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.

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THE UNITED STATES AIR FORCE BAND OF THE WEST

LACKLAND AIR FORCE BASE, TX

ANNOUNCES AN AUDITION FOR

SAXOPHONE

PRE-SCREENING REQUIREMENTS

- 1) One-page resume
- 2) Pre-screen recording
 - a. Classical (any sax): perform a classical solo or etude
 - b. Jazz excerpts (any sax): submit 2 contrasting styles of your choice with live rhythm section or background track. For each, play melody and include at least 2 choruses of improvisation. Suggested styles include, but are not limited to:
 - i. Rhythm changes
 - ii. Bossa nova
 - iii. Samba
 - iv. Swing
 - v. Bebop
 - vi. Waltz
 - vii. Modern
 - c. Flute and clarinet: submit 1 selection each (jazz or classical), ~1 min for each

Please submit all resumes, audio & video files/links to

bandofthewestauditions@gmail.com

PRE-SCREENING MATERIALS DUE: **JULY 1, 2022**

RESULTS OF PRE-SCREENING SENT BY: **JULY 11, 2022**

LIVE AUDITION DATE (BY INVITATION ONLY): **AUGUST 22, 2022**

Questions? Contact auditions staff at bandofthewestauditions@gmail.com or 737-708-7188