



# HORN AUDITION

U.S. Army Concert Band

March 2nd-3rd, 2026

## RECORDED PRELIMINARY AUDITION REPERTOIRE

- All candidates have the choice of playing a live or recorded preliminary audition.
- Candidates that do not advance from a recording may still attend the live preliminary audition on March 2nd-3rd.
- For civilian candidates that advance from a recording (into the semi-finals), the U.S. Army will cover travel expenses (pending enlistment qualification and funding approval).
- The semi-final round, and any subsequent rounds, will take place on March 3rd.

**Deadline to Submit Recorded Preliminary Audition**

January 30th, 2026

**Semi-Final and Final Auditions**

March 3rd, 2026

A complete packet of excerpts will be made available to those who contact the Auditions Coordinator, Sergeant First Class Matthew Evans (matthew.t.evans42.mil@army.mil) before the application deadline of February 16th, 2026.

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### EXCERPTS

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| ① BEETHOVEN    | Symphony No. 3, Mvt. III, pickup to mm. 171-205 [2 <sup>nd</sup> Horn]                |
| ④ BRAHMS       | Symphony No. 1, Mvt. II, 1 m. before ⑤ through the 1st m. of ⑥ [1 <sup>st</sup> Horn] |
| ⑮ SHOSTAKOVICH | Symphony No. 5, Mvt. I, 3rd m. of ⑰ through 1st m. of ⑳ [1 <sup>st</sup> Horn]        |
| ⑰ STRAUSS      | Till Eulenspiegel, beginning to ① [1 <sup>st</sup> Horn]                              |
| ⑲ WAGNER       | Götterdämmerung, Short Call [1 <sup>st</sup> Horn]                                    |

### Preferred Application File Formats

- Audio files should be submitted as .mp3 or .wav only
- Each excerpt should be submitted as a separate audio file
- Upload audio files to a Google Drive or Dropbox folder and share the direct link in the body of application email

All application materials must be submitted electronically to the Auditions Coordinator, Sergeant First Class Matthew Evans (matthew.t.evans42.mil@army.mil).



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## RECORDING INSTRUCTIONS

- The U.S. Army Band will accept audio-only recordings of auditions as .wav or .mp3 files. **Video submissions will not be accepted.**
- Each excerpt should be recorded as an individual track. Tracks should be labeled in the order listed above using the following format: **[Name]\_HORN\_[Excerpt #]**.  
Example: Alex Williams\_HORN\_01  
Alex Williams\_HORN\_04
- Do not speak or make any identifying sounds on the recording, as it will serve as a blind preliminary audition.
- All application materials must be uploaded to the U.S. Army Band website; an upload link will be provided upon receipt of the candidate's application/résumé.
- **IMPORTANT:** You will receive confirmation that your recordings were received and processed. If you do not receive a confirmation within 1-2 business days, please contact the Auditions Coordinator.