



PRINCIPAL PICCOLO AUDITION

U.S. Army Concert Band

August 18th, 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 August 18th, 2026.
- 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 August 18th.

Deadline to Submit Recorded Preliminary Audition

June 22nd, 2026

Semi-Final and Final Auditions

August 18th, 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.

SOLO FLUTE

- ① MOZART Concerto No. 1 in G major, K. 313, Mvt. 1; exposition only
Candidate may use their preferred markings and articulations

PICCOLO EXCERPTS

- ⑩ IPPOLITOV-IVANOV Caucasian Sketches, Mvt. 4 Procession of the Sardar; beginning to ⑩
- ⑫ ROSSINI Overture to Semiramide; 14 m. after ⑩ through ⑫
- ⑭ SOUSA Stars and Stripes Forever; grandioso strain, no repeat

RECORDING INSTRUCTIONS

- The U.S. Army Band will only 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]_PICCOLO_[Excerpt #]**.
Example: Betsy Ross_PICCOLO_01
 Betsy Ross_PICCOLO_10
- Do not speak or make any identifying sounds on the recording, as it will serve as a blind preliminary audition.
- 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.
- **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.