



HORN AUDITION

U.S. Army Ceremonial Band

October 5th, 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 October 5th, 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 October 5th, 2026.

Deadline to Submit Recorded Preliminary Audition	August 24th, 2026
Semi-Final and Final Auditions	October 5th, 2026

A complete packet of excerpts will be made available to those who apply on the U.S. Army Band website before the application deadline.

EXCERPTS

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| ② BEETHOVEN | Symphony No. 6, Mvt. 3, mm. 132-161 [Horn 1] |
| ④ BRAHMS | Symphony No. 2, Mvt. 2, mm. 17-31 [Horn 1] |
| ⑩ SHOSTAKOVICH | Symphony No. 5, Mvt. 1, 3 m. after ⑰ to 1 m. after ⑳ [Horn 1] |
| ⑬ WAGNER | Götterdämmerung, Short Call [Horn 1] |

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_08
Alex Williams_HORN_10
- 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.