



# 2009 Fall Championships Event Application

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Please read this form and terms of application carefully; photocopy completed application for your records and submit one application for each Event. **Equal Priority Scheduling will be given to all paid applications postmarked on or before January 31, 2009.** All entries after January 31, 2009, will be scheduled by earliest postmark. Full Enrollment at each Regional is 30 bands; Super Regional, 60 bands; Grand Nationals, 90 bands.

**Please print or type.** Please note: we will not send Booster mailings to the school address. We respectfully request the Booster President home address and email.

School _____	Band Director's Alternate E-Mail _____
Street Address _____	Assistant Director(s) _____ <i>Must teach music classes at school or feeder</i>
City, State, Zip _____	Assistant Director's E-Mail _____
School Area Code/Phone _____	Principal (include title: Dr., Ms., Mr., etc) _____
School Area Code/Fax # _____	Principal's E-Mail _____
School Enrollment Grades 10-12 _____ <b>Classification is determined by School Enrollment in Grades 10-12</b>	Band Booster President _____
Band Director _____	Band Booster President Home Phone (     ) _____
Band Director's Primary E-Mail _____	Band Booster President E-Mail _____
Director's Home Phone (     ) _____	# of buses _____ # of trucks _____
Director's Cell Phone (     ) _____	

**We will send you an Information Sheet at a later time requesting program and script information.**

**The following must be completed and signed by both the band director and the principal or superintendent for application to be valid and accepted:**

If accepted for competition, the \_\_\_\_\_ band will appear at the Bands of America Event on (date) \_\_\_\_\_.

With the signatures below, we indicate that we have read, understand and agree to the terms of this application and what is required of our band to participate in the event. If selected to advance past the preliminary competition, we will participate, unless we have marked the Festival Rating only classification box. In consideration of being accepted as a participating band, we hereby irrevocably grant to Bands of America (BOA), Music for All, Inc., and their respective agents or designees, the right to use in any media our name, likeness, photographic prints and any reproduction of ourselves, our student performers and others participating with us while attending the Bands of America and Music for All event, for any purpose including promotion, advertising or otherwise. With the use of these rights, we hereby release and indemnify, on behalf of ourselves and our participants, Music for All, Inc., its officers, members, directors, employees, members and agents from any and all claims, liabilities and/or damages which now or in the future may arise from such use. **We also agree to provide Music for All with written releases to arrange and perform copyrighted music, visual programs, and/or make special musical arrangements from the owners of those performance rights.** We understand that bands unable to provide such release(s) will not be permitted to perform and are entitled to a refund only pursuant to BOA's established refund policies. We also certify that the school enrollment (grades 10-12) indicated on this application is correct. We understand that, except where Bands of America changes an event date, or location (by more than 100 miles), **Participation Cooperative Fees are not transferable** from one event to another. Bands that withdraw from an event will not receive cooperative tickets and shall only be entitled to a refund per Music for All's refund policy.

I have read, understand, agree to and accept the foregoing and the Terms of Application on page 3 and 4 of this application form.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Band Director's Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Principal or Superintendent Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

Indicate the Events you wish to enroll in below. You may use one form for all the 2009 BOA Championships in which you wish to participate.

Read the full Terms of Application later in this form for details on application conditions and inclusions.

### Regional Championships – Early Season Pricing: \$650 per event

<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Louisville, KY</b> Papa John's Cardinal Stadium (Site Tentative) Sept. 26, 2009 <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Add:Post Event Clinic -\$250*</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Houston, TX</b> Pearland Stadium (The RIG) Oct. 3, 2009 <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Add:Post Event Clinic -\$250*</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Centerville, OH</b> Centerville High School Oct. 3, 2009 <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Add:Post Event Clinic -\$250*</b>
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\*Post Event Clinic: Clinics will occur between 8 a.m. and 1 p.m. on the Sunday after the Regional. Clinics are for directors and staff (not students).

**Festival Rating Only Classification** Evaluation, ratings, and private scores only; ineligible for awards or advancement to finals.

### Regional Championships – Regular Season Pricing: \$800 per event

<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Ypsilanti, MI</b> Eastern Michigan University (Site Tentative) Oct. 10, 2009	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Arlington, TX</b> University of Texas at Arlington Oct. 10, 2009	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Towson, MD</b> Towson University (Site Tentative) Oct. 10, 2009	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Massillon, OH</b> Paul Brown Tiger Stadium (Site Tentative) Oct. 17, 2009	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>West Chester, PA</b> West Chester University Oct. 24, 2009
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Orlando, FL</b> (Site Tentative) Oct. 24, 2009	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Atlanta, GA</b> Georgia Dome Oct. 31, 2009	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Los Angeles, CA</b> (Site Tentative) Oct. 31, 2009	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Las Vegas, NV</b> University of Nevada, Las Vegas (Site Tentative) Nov. 7, 2009	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Indianapolis, IN</b> Lucas Oil Stadium Nov. 7, 2009

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### Super Regional Championship: \$800 per event

<input type="checkbox"/> <b>St. Louis, MO</b> Edward Jones Dome Oct. 16 - 17, 2009 <input type="checkbox"/> Friday is my preferred day of performance.	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>San Antonio, TX</b> Alamodome Oct. 23 - 24, 2009 <input type="checkbox"/> Friday is my preferred day of performance.
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**Required – Super Regional Housing Bureau:** All competing bands and their booster groups utilizing hotel accommodations for their stay during the event are REQUIRED to make their hotel reservations through the BOA Super Regional Housing Bureau. The Housing Bureau has been set up to secure enough hotel rooms at the lowest block prices to accommodate all the bands' needs for the event. A Housing Bureau form and information will be sent separately.

**Festival Rating Only Classification** Evaluation, ratings, and private scores only; ineligible for awards or advancement to finals.

### Grand National Championships – \$900

Lucas Oil Stadium, Indianapolis, IN, November 11-14, 2009

**Required - Grand Nationals Housing Bureau:** All competing bands and their booster groups utilizing hotel accommodations for their stay during the event are REQUIRED to make their hotel reservations through the Indianapolis Grand Nationals Housing Bureau. The Housing Bureau has been set up to secure enough hotel rooms at the lowest block prices to accommodate all the bands' needs for the event. You will be sent a Housing Bureau form and information. Bands which violate this policy will not be permitted to perform and forfeit all Participation Cooperative Fees.

**Bands 325 Miles or further from Indianapolis** See Terms of Application for full explanation  
Bands of America recognizes that the travel distance for some bands will necessitate missing one to two days of school just for travel time. Bands from schools more than 325 miles (one way) from Indianapolis MUST SELECT ONE OF THE FOLLOWING:

Please enter my band into the regular random draw with the majority of bands. I understand that this may give me a performance time in Prelims 1 on Thursday, or Prelims 2 on Friday.

Please enter my band into the Prelims 2 "Bye" draw. I understand that this draw will be for times within the first performance times in Prelims 2 on Friday (beginning at 7:30 a.m.).

**Festival Rating Only Classification**-Evaluation, ratings & private scores only; ineligible for awards and advancement.

**Thursday Prelims Volunteer Opportunity:** See Terms of Application for full explanation

Check here if you would like to volunteer your band to perform in Prelims 1 on Thursday.

### PAYMENT INFORMATION (Total all fees and deposits):

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Early Season Events: \$650 x \_\_\_\_\_ Events = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Post Event Clinic: \$250 x \_\_\_\_\_ Events = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Regular Season Events: \$800 x \_\_\_\_\_ Events = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Super Regionals: \$800 x \_\_\_\_\_ Events = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Grand Nationals: \$900 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Total of fees due = \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

### PAYMENT METHOD:

Check is enclosed.

Make checks payable to: Music for All, Inc. 39 W. Jackson Place, Suite 150, Indianapolis, IN 46225

Charge my VISA / MASTER CARD / AMERICAN EXPRESS/ DISCOVER (circle one)



**Total amount to charge today: \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

# \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

**REFUND POLICY:** All cancellations must be made in writing on official school or band letterhead. If you cancel prior to March 15, 2009 you will forfeit \$200. If you cancel after March 15, but prior to May 12, 2009, you will forfeit the deposit. If you cancel, for any reason, after May 12, the full fee is due and there is NO REFUND. All refunds under this policy will be made by December 31, 2009. Monies cannot be "held over" for future years except in the case of event date changes made by BOA. Bands with balances due for prior years may not enroll in future BOA events until such balances are paid. Participation Cooperative Fees are not transferable from one event to another. Bands that withdraw from an event will not receive cooperative tickets or passes.

**PARKING FEES:** Some Regional sites will have a parking fee of ~\$25 per bus/truck. Amounts will be included in your August mailing.

### DEPOSIT OPTION:

A deposit will be accepted with complete applications submitted prior to March 31, 2009. All balances must be paid in full by May 12, 2009. Bands that have not paid full fees by May 13, 2009 will forfeit their performance draw. If fees are not paid by May 31, 2009, the application will be cancelled without refund. For applications submitted after March 31, 2009, the deposit option is not available and the full fee must be submitted. Your cooperative tickets and final packet will be sent only after your balance is paid in full. Required deposit amounts are shown below:

CC/Check #

Early Season Events: \$325 x \_\_\_\_\_ Events = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Post Event Clinic: \$125 x \_\_\_\_\_ Events = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Regular Season Events: \$400 x \_\_\_\_\_ Events = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Super Regionals: \$400 x \_\_\_\_\_ Events = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Grand Nationals: \$450 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Total deposit enclosed = \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

Postmark Date

ID # F

Am't \$

CC/Check #

Date Entr'd



# 2009 Fall Championships Terms of Application

## HOLIDAYS & TEST DATES

To assist you in scheduling, we have compiled the 2009-2010 holidays and SAT, PSAT and ACT Testing Dates. Remember that band performance times are by postmark date, with random draw determining times for applications with the same postmark. Some Regional dates do fall on holidays or testing dates. **BOA will not make schedule changes due to testing date/performance time conflicts.** We strongly encourage affected directors to help your students choose an alternate testing date based on the information below.

### SAT Testing Dates

January 24, 2009  
March 14, 2009  
May 2, 2009  
June 6, 2009

### PSAT Testing Dates

October 14, 2009  
October 17, 2009

### ACT Testing Dates

September 12, 2009  
October 24, 2009  
December 12, 2009

### 2009 Holidays

**Rosh Hashanah**  
September 18 - 20, 2009  
**Yom Kippur**  
September 28, 2009  
**Columbus Day**  
October 12, 2009  
**Sukkot**  
October 3, 2009  
**Veteran's Day**  
November 11, 2009

## Schedule Changes and Refund Policy

Because Bands of America uses a large number of collegiate facilities, certain dates on this schedule cannot be finalized until affected conferences issue final fall football and television schedules. Any schedule changes will be communicated to all participating bands. "Postmark" dates and Participation Cooperative Fees will be "protected" should a site or date change require you to transfer to another BOA Regional date/site, or withdraw. If a change occurs, you will have until an announced date to make a change and still protect your postmark date and Participation Cooperative Fee. **Participation Cooperative Fees are not otherwise refundable or transferable from one event to another.** Bands that withdraw from an event will not receive Cooperative tickets and will only be entitled to a refund per the refund policy. We reserve the right to cancel a Regional if 18 bands are not registered by May 12, 2009.

## Terms of Application Regional Championships

Fees for Early Season Regional Championships will be \$650 per band, per event. Fees for Regular Season Regional Championships are \$800 per event. Some Fall Regional Championships will have a parking fee of up to \$30 per bus / truck. Amounts will be communicated in your August mailing.

With the BOA Regional Championship Participation Cooperative program, your band will receive:

### Early Season Regional:

- **25 Field Passes\*** for Preliminaries (Note: All bands performing in Finals automatically receive 25 Finals Field Passes at no charge.)
- **15 Day Passes\*** (Day Pass includes one general admission Prelims and Finals ticket.)
- Up to 6 Director / Staff Badges good for admission to Prelims and Finals
- All bands will receive a High Camera Instant DVD of your preliminary performance (bands that perform in Finals will also receive an instant copy of their Finals performance).

### Regular Season Regional:

- **25 Field Passes\*** for Preliminaries (Note: All bands performing in Finals automatically receive 25 Finals Field Passes at no charge.)
- **20 Day Passes\*** (Day Pass includes one general admission Prelims and Finals ticket.)
- Up to 6 Director / Staff Badges good for admission to Prelims and Finals
- All bands will receive a High Camera Instant DVD of your preliminary performance (bands that perform in Finals will also receive an instant copy of their Finals performance).

\*Face value of tickets and passes: at least \$950.

## Terms of Application Super Regional Championships

Fees for Super Regional events will be \$800 per band, per event. All Super Regional events will have a parking fee of at least \$25 per bus / truck. Amounts will be communicated in your August mailing.

**With the BOA Regional Championship Participation Cooperative program, your band will receive:**

### Super Regional:

- **25 Field Passes\*** for Preliminaries (Note: All bands performing in Finals automatically receive 25 Finals Field Passes at no charge.)
- Ticket Options\* (BOA will provide a choice of forty (40) General Admission Super Regional Finals Tickets or twenty (20) tickets to each day of prelims. You will indicate your preference on the Information Sheet.)
- Up to 6 Director / Staff Badges good for admission to Prelims and Finals
- All bands will receive a High Camera Instant DVD of your preliminary performance (bands that perform in Finals will also receive an instant copy of their Finals performance).

\*Face value of tickets and passes: at least \$1,100.

### Required - Super Regional Housing Bureau:

All competing bands and their booster groups utilizing hotel accommodations for their stay during the event are REQUIRED to make their hotel reservations through the BOA Super Regional Housing Bureau. The Housing Bureau has been set up to secure enough hotel rooms at the lowest block prices to accommodate all the bands' needs for the event. A Housing Bureau form and information will be sent separately.

Super Regional Terms of Application Continued on Next Page

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## Terms of Application

### Super Regional Terms of Application Continued

**Day of Performance** will be based on a participant's choice of Day of Performance and Distance from the Event criteria.

- The Day of Performance and prelims Performance Draw (performance block assignments) will be made on April 25, 2009.

### **The structure/procedure (in order of consideration) for Day of Performance is as follows:<sup>1,2</sup>**

- Any 2008 BOA Regional Champion, the 2008 Grand National Champion or the 2008 Grand Nationals Class Champion enrolled in the event may choose its day of performance (Friday or Saturday).
- Bands that request a Friday performance draw slot on their enrollment application will be assigned to perform on Friday.
- The 30 bands that are the farthest distance from the performance venue will be given priority for a Saturday Prelim performance time. Additionally, after Saturday slots have been filled, the remaining participating bands (those geographically closest to the performance venue), will have a Prelim performance time on Friday. Friday performances will begin no earlier than Noon and be completed by 8 p.m., and consideration will be given to create a workable schedule to allow bands to perform and still participate in their school commitments on Friday night.
- In the event that performance spots remain in the show, bands that apply after the postmarked date of Jan. 31 will be placed in the earliest prelim times on Friday.
- From time to time, bands (for whatever reason) withdraw from events, creating opportunities for "waitlist" or other new entrants.

### **Participation Cooperative Tickets, Number of Bands in Finals, Judging Panels:**

- BOA will provide a choice of forty (40) General Admission Super Regional Finals Tickets or twenty (20) tickets to each day of prelims.
- Twelve (12) or Fourteen (14) bands will advance to finals, depending on the total number of bands in the show (12 finalists if less than 45 bands are enrolled, 14 finalists if 45 or more enroll).
- One panel of judges will evaluate the event if less than 50 bands enroll by May 15. If more than 50 bands are enrolled by May 15, a new panel of judges will evaluate finals.

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## Terms of Application

### Grand National Championships

Fees for Grand Nationals Championships will be \$900 per band.

With the BOA Championship Participation Cooperative program, your band will receive:

- **25 Field Passes\*** for Preliminaries (on the day your band performs) (Note: Bands will receive 25 field passes for Semi-Finals and Finals as they respectively advance.)
- **20 Semi-Finals Tickets\***
- All bands will receive an Instant Video copy of their Preliminary performance (bands that perform in Semi-Finals will also receive an instant copy of their Semi-Finals performance).

\*Face value of tickets and passes: at least \$1,200.

### **All Bands 325 Miles or Further from Indianapolis**

There will be two preliminary events—Prelims 1 and Prelims 2—with up to 45 bands each. Each prelims contest will have a separate adjudication panel. Bands of America recognizes that the travel distance for some bands will necessitate missing one to two days of school just for travel time. In order to retain the integrity of Grand Nationals as a national championship and enable bands from across the nation to participate, BOA will allow bands traveling from schools located more than 325 miles (one way) from Indianapolis to choose to either be part of the regular performance time draw OR choose to participate in a special draw for the first block of times in the Prelims 2 contest. Bands from schools more than 325 miles (one way) from Indianapolis must select their preference on the application form.

### **Thursday Prelims Volunteer Opportunity:**

It is feasible for groups within an approximate 200 mile radius of Indianapolis to perform on Thursday, return home for a full day of school on Friday, then return to Indianapolis Friday after school or Saturday morning for the Semi-Finals and Finals shows. Some bands may find this preferable to an extra night's housing. Bands that volunteer will be assured performance times prior to 8:30 p.m. Bands can select this option on the application form.

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<sup>1</sup> To have assignment and selection rights, a band must have applied for the event by the Jan. 31 postmark date. Thereafter, rights exist (on a first come, first served postmark) only for remaining spots after assigning other bands.

<sup>2</sup> All issues of distance to be determined by using mileage information obtained from MapQuest™.