



Hillsboro Stadium hosts Regional Marching Band Championship Oct. 12

HILLSBORO, OREGON – Outstanding high school marching bands from throughout Oregon and Washington will compete in a unique championship co-presented by the nation’s leading marching band organization and local groups – the Bands of America Northwest Affiliate Show, at Hillsboro Stadium in Hillsboro, Oregon, on Saturday, October 12.

The championship event, hosted and operated by the West Salem Band Boosters, will feature 13 high school marching bands in the preliminary competition, all of which will be evaluated by a panel of nationally recognized music educators and marching band experts. All 13 bands will advance to the evening finals competition, which will ultimately name the Champion.

Music for All is pleased to announce this partnership with the West Salem High School Band Boosters and the Northwest Association of Performing Arts. This Bands of America (BOA) Northwest show is hosted and operated in partnership with the West Salem High School Band boosters and the Northwest Association of Performing Arts. West Salem band boosters will operate the show, which will use BOA field operation procedures and be judged by a Bands of America assigned panel of experts using the Bands of America adjudication system. This 2013 show is a precursor to the launch of a Bands of America Pacific Northwest Regional Championship in 2014.

“Music for All is excited to collaborate with the West Salem High School Band Boosters and the Northwest Association of Performing Arts to offer an educational event experience in the Pacific Northwest” according to Eric L. Martin, President and CEO of Music for All. “It is part of Music for All’s strategy to extend access to our programs and grow our national base of support for scholastic music making – and the Northwest BOA Affiliate Show is a part of that strategy.”

Schedule

The preliminary competition begins at 12:00 p.m. and will conclude at approximately 3:15 p.m. The finals competition will begin at 5:30 p.m. All times are tentative pending the final schedule of performing bands. Current times will be listed at westsalemband.org/nwboa.html.

Ticket information

Tickets will be available at the gate. Standard general admission is \$15 for adults, Students and Senior Citizens \$10 and Kids ages 6-12 \$5. Children ages 5 and under are free.

Bands of America Championships

Bands of America Championships are a program of Music for All, which has a mission to create, provide and expand positively life-changing experiences through music for all. Music for All presents Bands of America Regional marching band Championships across the country each fall. BOA regional marching band shows are open to all high school bands on a first come, first served basis, providing a positive atmosphere and evaluation and input for performing bands that will help elevate them to the next level. There are 17 Bands of America Championships are taking place throughout the country this year. For more information and see a full schedule visit www.musicforall.org

Sponsorship Information

Music for All efforts are supported through sponsorships, including current partnerships with National Presenting Sponsor Yamaha Corporation of America; Title Sponsor of Texas Championships, Texas Dairy Queen®; Official Uniform Sponsor Fred J. Miller, Inc.; Official Performance Equipment Sponsor Wenger Corporation; Official Student Travel Partner Music Travel Consultants; Corporate Sponsors Visit Indy and the City of Indianapolis, Vic Firth Company and Zildjian; Strategic Advocacy Partner, NAMM; Associate Sponsors DANSR, Delivra, Remo, Inc., SmartMusic, The Woodwind & Brasswind and Director's Showcase International; and fall Supporting Sponsors Purdue University and Marian University, Marching Show Concepts and Center X Productions. Music for All is also supported by the Indiana Arts Commission, Arts Council of Indianapolis, the Ball Brothers Foundation, George and Frances Ball Foundation, Lilly Endowment Inc., Arthur Jordan Foundation, The D'Addario Foundation, and the National Endowment for the Arts, a federal agency.

About Music for All

Music for All (MFA) is one of the nation's largest and most influential organizations in support of active music making. Since 1975, MFA, through its Bands of America and Orchestra America programs, has been a destination and set the standard for scholastic music ensemble performance and music education advocacy. As a 501(c)(3) nonprofit educational organization, MFA's mission is to create, provide and expand positively life-changing experiences through music for all. MFA's vision is to be a catalyst to ensure that every child in America has access and opportunity for active music-making in their scholastic environment. MFA's programs include 20+ annual events, including the Bands of America Grand National Championships and Regional Championships for marching band, the Music for All Summer Symposium camp for students and teachers, the Music for All National Festival for concert bands, orchestra, jazz and percussion ensembles and national honor bands and orchestras.

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