



The Dome at America's Center Hosts Super Regional Marching Band Competition October 20-21

Prominent event is one of 20 regional championships held across the country this fall.

ST. LOUIS – Outstanding high school marching bands from throughout Illinois, Arkansas, Missouri, Kansas, Oklahoma, Mississippi, Minnesota, Texas, Kentucky, Colorado, and South Dakota, will compete in one of the nation's most prominent championships, Music for All's Bands of America St. Louis Super Regional Championship, presented by Yamaha, at The Dome at America's Center (901 N Broadway) in St. Louis, Missouri on October 20 and 21. The Bands of America St. Louis Super Regional Championship has been taking place for over 20 years.

Music for All holds 20 other Bands of America regional marching band championships across the country that offer positively life-changing experiences for students, teachers, and fans and spectators. These championships are a celebration of music education at its finest, showcasing excellence, teamwork, and leadership.

The championship event, hosted by the Blue Springs High School Band and Boosters, will feature 64 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. The top 14 bands will advance to the evening finals competition, which will ultimately name the Super Regional Champion. Palen Music will be the Official Music Store of the event.

"Bands of America Championships are programs supporting our mission to create, provide, and expand positively life-changing experiences through music for all," according to Eric L. Martin, President and CEO of Music for All. "Active experiences in music and the arts are integral to providing students with a well-rounded education. The performances of students at this Bands of America championship showcase the results that come from the dedication and teamwork necessary for the achievement of excellence, on the performance field and in life beyond. Bands of America events advocate for maintaining and growing our national commitment to music and arts education, with the student performers making the case in the most visible, artistic, and entertaining way possible, – something each and every American should witness and experience."

Schedule

The preliminary competition begins at 10:00 a.m. on Friday, October 20 and will conclude at approximately 8:45 p.m. The preliminary competition will resume on Saturday, October 21 at 7:00 a.m. and will conclude at 4:15 p.m. Gates will open for the finals at 6:30 p.m.

with performances beginning at 7:30 p.m. All times are tentative pending the final schedule of performing bands. Current times will be listed at musicforall.org.

Ticket Information

Ticketing and schedule information is available online at musicforall.org or by calling 800.848.2263. Tickets will also be available at the gate. Standard general admission is \$18 for Preliminaries on Friday and \$20 for Preliminaries on Saturday, \$24 for Finals and \$29 on the Upper Deck, and \$51 for a Day Pass to both. Children ages 10 and under are free for general admission seats. A \$5 off any general admission ticket (individual preliminaries, finals or full day passes) discount will be available at the gate for college students with an ID, spectators 11-18 years of age, military members and spouses (military ID required), and spectators age 62 and over.

About Music for All

Since 1975, Music for All, through its Music for All, Bands of America, Orchestra America, and choir 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, Music for All's mission is to create, provide, and expand positively life-changing experiences through music for all. Music for All's vision is to be a catalyst to ensure that every child in America has access and opportunity for active music making in his or her scholastic environment. Music for All's programs include 30+ annual events, including the Bands of America Grand National Championships and Regional Championships for marching bands, the Music for All Summer Symposium camp for students and teachers, the Music for All National Festival and Affiliate Regional Music Festivals for concert bands, orchestras, choirs, chamber ensembles, percussion ensembles, and the national honor concert band, jazz band, orchestra, and the Bands of America Honor Band that will march for the fifth time in the Rose Parade® in 2021.

Sponsor Information

Music for All efforts are supported through sponsorships, including current partnerships with National Presenting Sponsor: Yamaha Corporation of America; Official Uniform Sponsor: Fred J. Miller, Inc.; Official Student Travel Partner: Music Travel Consultants; Official Performance Equipment Sponsor: Wenger Corporation; Corporate Sponsors: Ball State University, United States Marine Drum & Bugle Corps, Zildjian and Vic Firth Company, Visit Indy and the City of Indianapolis, and Strategic Advocacy Partner: NAMM; Associate Sponsors: Delivra, Vandoren, Director's Showcase International, REMO, Tresona Multimedia, and Woodwind & Brasswind. J.W. Pepper & Son, Inc. will be the Presenting Sponsor of Bands of America Grand National Semi-Finals Championships. Music for All is also supported by the Indiana Arts Commission, Arts Council of Indianapolis, the Ball Brothers Foundation, Lilly Endowment Inc, George and Frances Ball Foundation, Allen Whitehill Clowes Charitable Foundation, Nicholas H. Noyes, Jr. Memorial Foundation, Inc., and Arthur Jordan Foundation.

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