Bugle Vacancy Application Information

Perform with The United States Army Old Guard Fife and Drum Corps as a Bugle Musician. The position requires the use of a single valve B-flat bugle. In addition to performing with the Corps, buglers provide support for military funerals.

The Fife and Drum Corps is comprised of 70 musicians whose main duty is the ceremonial support of military functions within the National Capital Region. Ceremonial duties are conducted both indoors and outdoors and involve prolonged periods of standing and marching. The Corps' work schedule varies and involves daytime work hours with intermittent night, weekend, and travel commitments. Applicants for Fife and Drum Corps vacancies are pre-screened for qualification, and a select number of candidates will be invited to attend a live audition at Joint Base Myer-Henderson Hall, Virginia.

Civilian Applicants: If selected for the live audition, your local recruiter will arrange to have audition travel expenses paid for by the U.S. Army. [USAREC Reg. 11-1 Appendix B - 2 (d)6 and USAREC Reg. 37-17 Section 3-8 (b)1]. Civilian Applicants ARE NOT under obligation to enlist unless they are offered and accept a position with the Fife and Drum Corps.

The U.S. Army Old Guard Fife and Drum Corps supports an environment in which all individuals are treated fairly and respectfully, have equal access to opportunities and resources, and can contribute fully to the organization’s success [regardless of race, color, gender, religion, sexual orientation, or national origin.]

To Apply for the Live Audition:
Please submit a Pre-Screening Portfolio that includes the following:

1.) Information Sheet
   - Height and weight
   - Date and Place of birth
   - Current References – 2 professional, 1 personal
   - Unlisted YouTube Recording Link

2.) Cover Letter
   The cover letter is an opportunity to portray your personality. It should complement, not duplicate, your submitted materials:
   - Address to the Commander of The United States Army Old Guard Fife and Drum Corps
   - Detail what you, as an individual have to offer the organization
   - Mention specifically how your qualifications and experiences meet position requirements

3.) One-Page Resume
   - Education
   - Performance / occupational experience
   - All prior marching experience
   - Additional information pertaining to this position

4.) Two Professional Letters of Recommendation
5.) Video Recording
• The video image should be level and contain a view of the performer from head to toe
• Professional appearance is highly recommended
• Ensure that your video functions properly
• Presence of a splice or edit within a selection will constitute elimination
• Video must be compiled into a single Youtube link
• Please refrain from audibly introducing yourself to aid in our blind packet review process
• Include the following:
  I. The required calls:
      • To the Color, Taps
  II. The following pieces:
      • Barber – Commando March
  III. The following selections:
      • Charlier – 36 Etudes Transcendantes No. 6 - Du Style [beginning to end of m. 35]
  IV. An optional solo or etude of your choice (no more than 10 minutes in length) may also be included.

6.) MILITARY APPLICANTS: Please include the following:
• All required material
• A copy of your Soldier Enlisted Brief or service-equivalent
• A letter of release from your Commander

ALL APPLICANTS: Email materials to auditions.TOGFDC@gmail.com at one time. Please do not submit files individually over a period of time. You will receive an email confirming receipt of your portfolio. If you do not have confirmation within 24 hours of submission, please contact the audition coordinator. Portfolios must be submitted by email no later than 11:59pm EST on APRIL 29, 2021. All file names must include your first and last name.

Audition

A select number of candidates will be invited to attend a live audition at Joint Base Myer-Henderson Hall on June 24-25, 2021. For civilian applicants, local recruiters will arrange to have all travel expenses for the audition paid for by the U.S. Army. [USAREC Reg. 11-1 Appendix B - 2 (d)6 and USAREC Reg. 37-17 Section 3-8 (b)1]. Due to the high visibility and unique requirements of the position, the audition itself will be a two-day process and will include the following:

• Observing the Fife and Drum Corps in a Department of the Army Retirement Ceremony
• Marching Instruction and Assessment
• 30-minute Standing Assessment
• Memorized selections which will be provided
• Prepared selections which will be provided
• Sight reading
• Marching and playing with a Bugle Section
• Personal interview
General Qualifications

All applicants must:

• Be eligible for military service with the United States Army
• Have no physical hindrance to marching or movement. Marching experience is not necessary; however precision marching and maneuvering is a requirement of the position and will be a significant part of the audition process.
• Be capable of performing while marching without the aid of glasses, or be able to wear contact lenses
• Adhere to strict appearance guidelines. Specifically, tattoos cannot be visible above a dress shirt collar or beyond a suit coat cuff while in the playing position.
• Have U.S. citizenship or be a permanent resident
• Be able to obtain a security clearance
• Enlist for a minimum of 4 years, with notification of acceptance prior to enlistment
• Be between 17-34 years old
• Comply with active duty Army height and weight standards
• Successfully complete U.S. Army MEPS prior to live audition

Benefits

• Promotion to rank of Staff Sergeant (E-6) upon completion of training
• Stabilized assignment to Joint Base Myer-Henderson Hall, VA
• Medical, Dental, and Vision care
• Group life insurance coverage
• 30 days of annual paid vacation
• Post Exchange and Commissary benefits
• Military Education Benefits
Bugle Calls

To the Color  $d=132$

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Taps  $d=60$

Bugle Audition 2021
pre-screen music
Charlier #6 - Du Style [beginning - end of m. 35]