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The U.S. Air Force Academy Band  
520 Otis Street  
Peterson AFB CO 80914-1620

Dear Candidate,

Thank you for inquiring about auditioning for a tuba position in the United States Air Force. This musical audition will be conducted in two parts: a prescreening by emailing MP3 files (encoded at 320kbps) downloaded via Dropbox and (b) a live audition for those selected from prescreening. Details concerning both prescreen submission and the live auditions are attached. Please look over these requirements carefully to determine if you are prepared to take the audition at this time. There will be two locations for the live audition for you to choose if you are invited to attend. The following information outlines the requirements and important dates.

- Jan 9, 2017 Deadline for receipt of all musical prescreening materials and résumé.
- Jan 18, 2017 Each candidate will be notified whether or not he/she is invited to participate in the live audition.
- Mar 16, 2017 Live audition at Peterson Air Force Base, Colorado Springs, CO.

In addition to passing the musical audition, you must also meet other criteria in order to become a member of an Air Force Band. Before applying, carefully determine if you feel you meet the following Air Force eligibility requirements.

- Age: You must be able to enlist in the Air Force PRIOR to your 40<sup>th</sup> birthday.
- Weight: Individuals must meet weight requirements in order to enlist in the Air Force. A weight scale according to height is attached. If you foresee having a problem in this area I can recommend various solutions.
- Medical: Individuals must be qualified for worldwide duty. Chronic medical problems, congenital defects etc., may be disqualifying factors.
- Financial: A severe financial problem could be a disqualifying factor.
- Criminal: A criminal record could be a disqualifying factor.
- Citizenship: You must be a natural born citizen, naturalized, or able to complete the naturalization process within four years.

If you have any questions that pertain to the aforementioned eligibility requirements, please do not hesitate to contact us. In order to attend a live audition, you must meet with the United States Air Force recruiter in your area to be pre-qualified to attend basic training. Our office will initiate this visit after we find you musically qualified. You must send us the memorandum from your recruiter visit in order to attend the live audition.

Thank you so much for contacting the United States Air Force Academy Band regarding our upcoming audition. We hope you have a great experience during this process and wish you the best of luck. Please let me know if I can help you with anything. Do not hesitate to contact me directly at (719) 556-9965 or email [usafbandauditions@gmail.com](mailto:usafbandauditions@gmail.com) if you have additional questions.

Sincerely,

JASON R. CROWE, MSgt, USAF  
The USAF Academy Band  
NCOIC, Auditions



## ANNOUNCES AN OPENING FOR TUBA

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1. Resume
  2. One of the following etudes:
    - Etude #5: Bordogni Complete Vocalises for Tuba – Bordogni/Jacobs
    - Etude #5: Melodious Etudes for Trombone, Book 1 – Bordogni/Rochut
    - Etude #4: Bel Canto Studies for Tuba – Bordogni/Roberts
  3. Solo or movement of a solo of your choosing. No more than 3 minutes in length. Solo should be technical in nature and may be accompanied or unaccompanied (3 minute excerpt of a longer solo is acceptable).
  4. Band Excerpt #1:  
John Philip Sousa - The Stars and Stripes Forever. Bottom Octave – measures 1-21 (2nd ending only), 4 eight note pickups to m. 70-94 (play decrescendo into m. 94)
  5. Band Excerpt #2:  
Donald Grantham - J'ai été au bal. Pickup to 116 - 140
  6. Brass Quintet Excerpt:  
Malcolm Arnold Quintet #1. Mvt 1 – pickups to 1 before E through G, P - 5 before the end. Mvt 2 – 2 beats before H through two beats after letter J [perform alone, without brass quintet]  
***All résumés and pre-screening materials must be received by January 9, 2017***

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**LIVE Audition Date: March 16, 2017 Peterson AFB Colorado Springs, CO**

**E-mail Dropbox Links to MP3 Files (encoded at 320kbps) and Résumé to:**

**[usafbandauditions@gmail.com](mailto:usafbandauditions@gmail.com). On the subject header please label: "last/first nameTubaMarch2017"**

Full-Time Salary

Benefits: Full medical and dental

30 days paid vacation per year

Post-9/11 GI Bill for college up to \$80,000

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