



# Regionals • Super Regionals • Grand National Championships presented by 🛞 YAMAHA

**Bands of America is a** program of Music for All, whose mission is to create, provide, and expand positively life-changing experiences through music. **Bands of America** Championships, presented by Yamaha, provide opportunities to perform in the finest venues, receive quality evaluation, and to observe other bands, all in a positive affirming, and celebratory atmosphere.

#### Why Participate?

The focus is on the students! From the first step onto the field to the excitement of the awards ceremonies, Bands of America Championships have created an aura of excellence for student performers, teachers, parents, and fans. Since 1975, we have nurtured healthy competition and performance opportunities for students and band directors, all in an atmosphere of celebration for the entire band program.

#### What Bands Receive:

· The best in adjudication and

signed by both the director and the school principal or superintendent and must be accompanied by the registration fee to be considered a complete registration. An unfulfilled purchase order is NOT considered payment.

Register by January 31, 2024 to be eligible for the initial draw for preliminary performance times. Completing a registration in December or early January does not provide any advantage, as those registrations will be among

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feedback from a national panel.

- Participation recognition and achievement awards.
- Participating band students are admitted free to watch Prelims and Finals. (Excluding Grand Nationals Finals which is reserved seating only.)
- Prelims and Finals format with 12 band Finals at Regionals and Grand Nationals, 14 band Finals for Super Regionals.
- Complimentary school administrator tickets.
- Event credentials for adults and staff working with the band (defined quantity).
- Educational video of your performances (streaming access for directors).
- Optional one-hour Sunday Director Clinic at select Regionals for additional, in-depth, focused input with BOA Championship adjudicators. Clinic fee: \$300.

#### How to Register:

- All high school bands are eligible to enroll in Bands of America Championships.
- All events are open on a firstcome, first served basis.
- Bands may choose
   competitive or *Input Only* participation.
- Applications must be

those eligible for the random draw for performance times for those registered by January 31.

All complete registrations postmarked after January 31 will be placed in the prelim schedule at earlier performance times than all bands that complete registration by January 31. If the requested show is already at capacity after January 31, a band will be placed on the wait list or encouraged to consider a different Bands of America Championship. Please review the cancellation policy prior to completing your registration.

#### Registration fees for 2025:

- All one-day Regionals enrollment fee is \$875.
- Super Regional Championship enrollment fee is \$925.
- Grand National enrollment
  fee is \$975.

#### **Classification System:**

Bands are classified by school enrollment, grades 10-12 only. Classification numbers are examined and reset every three (3) years, with 2025 being a reclassification year. See the BOA Procedures and Adjudication Handbook for details. of determining enrollment, your principal must certify the number of students in grades 10-12 as reported on fall state and/or FTE funding reports.

#### **Copyright Documentation:**

Music for All takes care to comply with copyright laws and requires compliance by those who participate in our events. Visit marching.musicforall.org for details on the Permission to Arrange copyright documentation required for participation. Don't wait to secure your Permission to Arrange, the process can take some time.

# Registration is now open at marching.musicforall.org





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# WHAT'S NEXT?

- January 31, 2025: Once the January 31 initial registration deadline has passed, we begin the random draw. You will receive your initial performance block email individually for each show, sent during the spring as block schedule times are set.
- May: Bands of America will send an event procedures email which provides general rules and procedural information applicable for every Bands of America Championship.
   August: Bands of America will send directors an email
  - containing important information about completing the forms required for participation.

## Thirty days prior to each BOA Championship –

Bands of America will send:

- ✓ Performance schedule
- ✓ Daily schedule of events
   ✓ Event-specific final packet with detailed event procedures and maps of the event location

### **Post-Event Clinics**

Bands of America offers optional, post-performance **Director Clinics for** additional, in-depth, focused input in a private evaluation setting the Sunday after each Regional Championship. These onehour sessions are designed for directors and staff to analyze your performance from the previous day's BOA Championship with Bands of America music and visual judges in a positive and constructive atmosphere.

The clinic fee is \$300. Any clinics not having six bands registered by June 1, 2025 may be canceled. Please email fall@musicforall.org to confirm the availability of clinics.

View all event details, registration requirements, and cancellation policy at marching.musicforall.org



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