

The United States Air Force Band of Mid-America



SCOTT AIR FORCE BASE, IL



Announces an immediate vacancy for:

Audition Date: 4 April 2016

Resume and MP3/CD due:

For audition requirements, go to:

www.bands.af.mil/careers

Annual Starting Salary:

Full Military Benefits - 30 Days Vacation with Pay



UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
Band of Mid-America

Full medical and dental benefits

Post GI Bill for college up to \$80,000

Four-year minimum enlistment required.

Maximum age at time of enlistment is 39.

*Reflects current pay for Scott AFB, if military housing is not provided.

For more information contact:

Auditions Coordinator

bandofmidamericaauditions@gmail.com

www.bandofmidamerica.af.mil



**DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
(AMC) USAF BAND OF MID-AMERICA**

27 January 2016

The USAF Band of Mid-America
900 Chapman Drive
Scott AFB, IL 62225

Dear Candidate,

Thank you for your interest in the percussion/drum set audition for The United States Air Force Band of Mid-America. This audition will be conducted in two parts: (a) an initial screening and selection by pre-recorded audio files, and (b) a live audition for those selected from the initial screening. Details concerning both the audio file submission and the live audition are attached. Please look over these requirements carefully to determine if you are prepared to take the audition at this time.

The following information outlines requirements and important dates:

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| April 25, 2016 | Deadline for receipt of all musical pre-screening materials (Demonstration CDs cannot be returned to applicant). |
| April 29, 2016 | Each candidate will be notified whether or not he/she is found musically qualified to participate in the live audition. |
| June 6, 2016 | Live audition at Scott Air Force Base, IL |

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.

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| Age: | You must be able to enlist in the Air Force PRIOR to your 39 th birthday. |
| Weight: | Overweight individuals are prohibited from enlisting in the Air Force. A weight scale according to height is attached. |
| 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. |

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If you have any questions that pertain to the aforementioned eligibility requirements, please feel free to contact us. In order to attend the live audition, you must meet with the United States Air Force Recruiter in your area and be pre-qualified to attend basic training. Our office will initiate this visit after we find you musically qualified. You must return a memorandum from your recruiter visit to our office in order to attend the audition.

Thank you so much for contacting the United States Air Force Band of Mid-America regarding this 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 along in this process. You may contact the Band of Mid-America Auditions Coordinator directly at (618) 229 – 8467 or bandofmidamericaauditions@gmail.com if you have any additional questions.

Sincerely,

//SIGNED

CODY B. BROWN, SSgt, USAF
The USAF Band of Mid-America
NCOIC, Auditions



PERCUSSION/DRUM SET PRE-SCREENING REQUIREMENTS

1) Résumé

2) Audio recordings demonstrating musical & stylistic versatility on percussion and drum set including:

A) **Snare Drum Solo:** Perform one selection from any of the following publications:

- a. *Anthony Cirone: Portraits in Rhythm* (any selection).
- b. *Mitchell Peters: Advanced Snare Drum Solos*

B) **Mallet Etude:** Perform one etude from *The Modern School for Xylophone, Marimba, and Vibes* (I to XXXIX).

C) **Drum set performances in the following styles:**

- a. Up-tempo swing at Half Note = 130 or faster. Include trading 4s with yourself or ensemble
- b. Samba. Include trading 4s with yourself or ensemble
- c. Salsa or Songo
- d. Brushes (any style)
- e. Pop/Rock
- f. Medium Swing
- g. Funk

It is preferred that the drum set samples include accompaniment by live musicians, or with “music minus one” style tracks. It is acceptable to include solo performances for some of the above styles, but please include as many group performances as possible.

All résumés and pre-screening materials must be received by April 25th, 2016

Each candidate will be notified of results by April 29th, 2016. Live audition is by invitation only.

LIVE Audition Date: June 6th, 2016 at Scott AFB Illinois

E-mail Dropbox links/ MP3 files and Résumé to:

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