

# The U.S. Marines Corps Join Music for All as a 2020 National Presenting Sponsor

INDIANAPOLIS – Music for All is pleased to announce the United States Marine Corps as National Presenting Sponsor for its 2020 programs and events.

"We are thrilled to have the U.S. Marine Corps join us and support our mission to create, provide, and expand positively life-changing experiences," said Jeremy Earnhart, President and CEO of Music for All. "The U.S. Marines exemplify leadership and character. Alongside the Marines' core values of honor, courage, and commitment, these are qualities that young people learn through their participation in school music and that Music for All instills through our educational programs."

"The United States Marine Corps looks forward to beginning a mutually beneficial relationship with Music for All as a partner in their member programming," said Lieutenant Colonel Christian Devine, National Director of Marketing and Communication. "We are honored to extend our support to band, orchestra, and choral music educators across the country and look forward to forming invaluable relationships throughout our engagement with the Music for All community."

The U.S. Marines' National Presenting Sponsorship will support Music for All and its programs and events through 2020. Music for All developed new programming to serve music educators during the time of the pandemic, including educational webinars, virtual performance opportunities, remote feedback and workshops for students and teachers. The U.S. Marines presence during the fall programming will include performances, U.S. Marines Pre-Show for the Music for All Live Showcases, and student workshops with Marines musicians.

Music for All is celebrating 45 years in 2020. The organization's advocacy efforts help to ensure access and opportunity for music education for all children in their scholastic environment. Music for All's programs and events include 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 for bands, orchestras, choirs, percussion and chamber ensembles; Affiliate Regional Music Festivals held across America; and national student honor ensembles including the Bands of America Honor Band that will march for the fifth time in the Rose Parade® in 2022.

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# **About Music for All**

Since 1975, Music for All 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 advocacy efforts inspire and develop models and strategies for successful music programs, through programs like its Advocacy in Action Awards, the I-65 Corridor Project, and support of Indianapolis Public Schools, the Central Indiana Track Show Association, and Indiana State Fair Band Day, and programs like United Sound and Be Part of the Music. Music for All's programs include more than 45 annual events, including Bands of America Grand National Championships and Regional Championships; Music for All Summer Symposium; Music for All National Festival; Affiliate Regional Music Festivals; and national student honor ensembles including the Bands of America Honor Band in the Rose Parade® in 2022.

### **Music for All Sponsor Information**

Music for All efforts are supported through sponsorships, including current partnerships with National Presenting Sponsor: Yamaha Corporation of America; National Presenting Sponsor: U.S. Marines; Official Uniform Sponsor: Fred J. Miller, Inc.; Official Student Travel Partner: Music Travel Consultants; Official Spirit Wear Sponsor: PepWear; Official Performance Equipment Sponsor: Wenger Corporation; Corporate Sponsors: Ball State University, BAND mobile app, Visit Indy and the City of Indianapolis, and Strategic Advocacy Partner: NAMM; Associate Sponsors: DANSR, Director's Showcase International, REMO, ScholarshipAuditions.com, and Woodwind & Brasswind. Music for All is also supported by the Indiana Arts Commission and the National Endowment for the Arts, a federal agency; the Arts Council of Indianapolis and the City of Indianapolis; Ball Brothers Foundation; Lilly Endowment Inc.; Allen Whitehill Clowes Charitable Foundation, Inc.; CMA Foundation; Central Indiana Community Foundation, United Way of Central Indiana, and Nicholas H. Noyes, Jr., Memorial Foundation, Inc.

# **About The Marines**

You don't join the Marines. You become one. Ours is a noble path and demanding journey reserved for those with the willingness to engage and determination to defeat all mental, moral, and physical requirements to become Marines. In or out of uniform, it's the fighting spirit found inside every Marine that drives them to victory.

The United States Marine Corps recognizes the role of coaches, educators, mentors and parents who inspire that fighting spirit. Whether your interest lies in helping us identify high achieving

students or inviting us to help you motivate students and steer them toward success, we would like to get to know you.

To learn more about partnering with the Marines in your local community, please visit <u>connect.marines.com</u>.

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