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Student Musicians from Across America to Perform in Indianapolis at the Music for All National Festival

INDIANAPOLIS, IN – March 3, 2025 – The 32nd Music for All National Festival presented by Yamaha, will take place in Indianapolis March 13-15. One of the largest gatherings of student musicianship in America, the festival will fill the city with concerts from 61 ensembles representing 27 states. Both high school and middle school concert bands, orchestras, percussion ensembles, and chamber ensembles, selected following a rigorous and highly selective audition process, will grace stages across Indianapolis.

Concerts will take place in five locations throughout the city and include:

- Howard L. Schrott Center for the Arts, Butler University
- Clowes Memorial Hall, Butler University
- Warren Performing Arts Center
- Allied Solutions Center for the Performing Arts – The Palladium
- The Indiana Historical Society
- In addition to the scholastic ensembles, two national honor ensembles will come together at this festival. The Honor Band of America will perform at Clowes Memorial Hall and Jazz Band of America at Schrott Center for the Arts, both Saturday, March 15 at 8 p.m., with students from across the nation selected by audition.

All scholastic ensemble performances are free and open to the public. Limited tickets for Honor Band of America and Jazz Band of America concerts are available at Ticketmaster, the Clowes ticket office, and at festival.musicforall.org. All concerts will be live streamed free; go to festival.musicforall.org during the event to access the live stream.

“Music is an inherently important part of the human experience,” says Debbie Asbill, Acting CEO and Executive Vice-President for Music for All, “and vital to a complete education. The experiences the student musicians and their teachers have at the festival will have a lasting impact on their lives and future. Music and arts education provides connection, purpose, and commitment to individual responsibility. It teaches soft-skills important throughout one’s lifetime. Not only does music bring us joy as humans, music *is* workforce development.”

During the festival weekend, students receive evaluation and feedback after their performance from world-class conductors and clinicians. They also participate in music education and life-skills workshops. Students and directors get the opportunity to celebrate with their fellow performers during evening receptions, socials, and banquets.

The Music for All National Festival has a notable economic impact on Indianapolis, with more than 3,000 attending for multiple day event that takes place in several downtown hotels and concert halls across the greater Indianapolis area. Music for All is a nonprofit whose programs include the Bands of America Grand National Championships, also held in Indianapolis each November in Lucas Oil Stadium.

For a full schedule of Music for All National Festival performing ensembles, locations, and times please visit: festival.musicforall.org

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About Music for All

Music for All's mission is to create, provide, and expand positively life-changing experiences through music. Our vision is to be a catalyst to ensure that every child in America has access and opportunity for active music-making in their scholastic environment. A 501(c)(3) nonprofit educational organization, Music for All's events and programs serve more than 600,000 attendees annually — and more than 1.7 million program participants since 1975. Programs include the Bands of America Regional and the Grand National Championships for marching bands; the Bands of America Summer Camp for students and teachers; the Music for All National Festival for concert bands, orchestras, percussion ensembles, and chamber ensembles; national honor ensembles including the Honor Band of America, Jazz Band of America, and the Honor Band in the Rose Parade®, Advocacy in Action Awards, the Music for All Podcast Network, and affiliate concert and marching events across America. Visit musicforall.org

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