

11[™] ANNUAL UIC HONORS BAND FESTIVAL NOVEMBER 3-5, 2023

Congratulations on your acceptance into the 11th Annual UIC Honors Band! We are excited to welcome you to the UIC campus and be a part of this important musical event. Below is some important information to help you plan and be a successful participant at the festival. Please do not hesitate to reach out to UIC Bands Faculty at <u>UICBands@uic.edu</u> if you have any further questions.

ITINERARY

Friday, November 3

UIC School of Theatre and Music – ETWSM Building: 1040 W Harrison St., Lower Level

- 4:00 pm Festival Registration Table Opens in Theatre Lobby (Lower Level)
- 4:30 pm Percussion Placement Auditions Begin
- 5:00 pm Wind Placement Auditions Begin
- 6:30 pm Dinner Break
- 7:15 pm Part Assignment and Seating Posted
- 7:30 pm Rehearsal I
- 9:00 pm End of rehearsal

Saturday, November 4

UIC School of Theatre and Music – ETWSM Building: 1040 W Harrison St., Lower Level

9:00 am — Sectionals 10:00 am — Rehearsal II 11:30 am — UIC Faculty Masterclasses 12:30 pm — Lunch Break 2:00 pm — UIC Student Performances 3:00 pm — Rehearsal III 5:00 pm — Dinner Break 6:30 pm — Rehearsal IV 8:30 pm — End of Rehearsal

Sunday, November 5

UIC Student Center East - Illinois Room: 750 S Halsted St., Third Floor

10:00 am — Honors Band Call Time 10:30 am — Rehearsal V 12:00 pm — Lunch Break 1:30 pm — Concert Call Time

2:00 pm — UIC 11th Annual Honors Band Festival Concert

LOCATIONS AND DIRECTIONS

A campus map showing the buildings and parking can be found at the end of this document.

UIC School of Theatre and Music – ETWSM Building: 1040 W Harrison St., Lower Level

- All Friday and Saturday events will be located at the ETMSW building at 1040 W. Harrison St. on UIC's campus. The building is located on the corner of Morgan St & Harrison St.
- **Public Transportation:** The ETMSW Building is immediately across the street from the Blue Line at stop UIC Halsted. Exit out of the western-most station door at Morgan St. Bus Routes 7 and 60 make stops at Morgan St. & Harrison St.
- **Parking:** UIC Parking is available in Lot 9, 1B, or HRPS. You may also search out street parking on Morgan St. or Van Buren St.

UIC Student Center East - Illinois Room: 750 S Halsted St., Third Floor

- All Sunday events will be in the Illinois Room (3rd Floor) of Student Center East at 750
 S. Halsted St. This is located at the intersection of Halsted St. & Polk St.
- **Public Transportation:** Student Center East is a block south of the Blue Line at stop UIC Halsted. Exit out of the eastern-most door at Halstead St.
- **Parking:** UIC Parking is available in Parking Structure HLPS.

REHEARSAL INFORMATION

Check-in and Onsite Registration

- All participants should proceed to the registration table in the lower-level theatre lobby upon arrival to the ETWSM Building on UIC's campus and on Friday. Check-in and onsite registration will begin at 4pm and we hope all participants will be checked-in by 5pm.
- All participants must bring the complete required forms: Participation Release Form, Medical Release Form, and Photograph Consent Form. These forms were sent via email and are available on the event website: <u>https://go.uic.edu/honorsband</u>
- All students who selected "Pay by Check" in the payment information when registering should also bring cash or check to cover the festival fees. Checks should be made out to "University of Illinois Chicago". No payment is needed if a school is covering the festival fees on behalf of students or they were paid online at registration.
- After completing the onsite registration, students will be brought to a room to warm-up and store their belongings. Parents who are attending with their student will be able to relax in the theatre lobby.

Meals

- Meals and snacks will not be provided.
- There are a variety of dining options on and close to campus. A list of a few options is available at the end of this document. Students may also purchase snacks at vending machines located on the second floor of the ETMSW Building or choose to bring their own meals from home.

Music

- Audition Music: A seating audition will be held before the first rehearsal on Friday evening. Audition music is provided in packets sent out via email and available on the event website: https://go.uic.edu/honorsband. Wind students should choose one excerpt (Beginner, Intermediate, Advanced) from the packets in addition to the chromatic scale. Percussion students should choose one Snare Drum and one Mallet excerpt (Beginner, Intermediate, Advanced) in addition to the chromatic scale on a mallet instrument. Seating auditions are only to determine the seating and most appropriate musical part. No students will be cut from participating.
- **Festival Music:** All Festival Music will be provided by UIC Bands at the first rehearsal after the seating auditions are complete.

Rehearsal Etiquette

- All participants are expected to attend and be on time to all festival activities. If issues arise that may cause a late arrival or absences, please communicate with a UIC Band Director as soon as possible.
- Students are expected to be respectful of others and exhibit positive behaviors while interacting with participating in the festival activities.
- All students are expected to be as prepared as possible, which includes bringing their instrument and other required equipment (e.g., reeds, mouthpieces), a pencil, music. Additionally, the following players should also be prepared with the following instrument/equipment:
 - Flute Students: If interested in being considered for piccolo as well, bring a piccolo to the Friday audition and be prepared to play a portion of the audition on piccolo.
 - Trumpet Students: Bring straight mutes to rehearsals, if at all possible.
 - Percussion Students: Percussionists are required to provide a pair of snare drum sticks and a pair of general-purpose mallets. The UIC Bands will provide all other sticks, mallets, all percussion instruments for use during rehearsals. We ask that all percussionists utilize the provided percussion equipment with professionalism and proper technique.

CONCERT INFORMATION

Concert Performance Attire

Professional attire is required for performance. The attire you use for formal concerts at your high school is welcome.

- Option 1: Button-up shirt, tie, dress slacks or khaki pants, dress shoes, dark socks.
- Option 2: Dress (knee-length or lower), pantsuit, dress shoes.

Recordings

• An audio recording will be made of the final concert. A recording will be mastered following the performance and a link sent via email to participants.

Concert

- The Concert is on Sunday, November 5 at 2:00 pm in the Illinois Room of Student Center East (750 S. Halsted St., third floor)
- The concert is FREE and open to the public, but we do request you RSVP for tickets at <u>go.uic.edu/HonorsBandConcert</u>.
- The concert will feature the UIC Wind Ensemble followed by the UIC Honors Band. All students are expected to attend the entire concert.

OTHER INFORMATION

Emergencies

Should an emergency arise, the following contacts should be used as appropriate: UIC Honors Band Contact Phone: (312) 996-5307 UIC Police (Emergency): (312) 355-5555 UIC Police (Non-Emergency): (312) 996-2830

Dining Options Nearby

Carm's Beef and Italian Ice \$ 1057 W. Polk St. Chicago, IL 60607 (312) 738-1046 10:00am-7:00pm (Friday) 10:00am-4:00pm (Saturday)

Dunkin' Donuts/Baskin-Robbins \$ 750 S. Halsted St. Chicago, IL 60607 (312) 355-2338 6:00am-10:00pm (Friday) 7:00am-6:00pm (Saturday) 7:00am-6:00pm (Sunday)

Fontano's Subs \$ 1058 West Polk Street Chicago, IL 60607 (312) 421-4474 9:00am-6:00pm (Friday) 10:00am-4:00pm (Saturday)

Giordano's Pizza \$\$ 815 W Van Buren St #115 Chicago, IL 60607 (312) 421-1221 11:00am-10:00pm (Everyday) Jimmy John's \$ 812 West Van Buren Street Chicago, IL 60607 (312) 733-8030 10:00am-9:00pm (Friday)

Mr. Greek Gyros \$ 234 S. Halsted St. Chicago, IL 60607 (312) 906-8731 9:00am-2:00am (Friday & Sunday)

Morgan Street Café \$ 111 South Morgan Street Chicago, IL 60607 (312) 850-0234 7:00am-3:00pm (Friday) 8:00am-3:00pm (Saturday & Sunday)

Panda Express \$ 750 S. Halsted St. Chicago, IL 60607 (312) 355-2338 11:00am-7:00pm (Friday) Primos Chicago Pizza \$ 816 W. Van Buren St. Chicago, IL 60607 (312) 243-1052 9:00am-2:00am (Friday & Saturday)

Subway Restaurants \$ 808 W. Jackson Blvd. Chicago, IL 60607 (312) 669-1500 7:00am-10:00pm (Friday) 9:00am-5:00pm (Saturday & Sunday)

Taco Burrito King \$ 811 W. Jackson Blvd. Chicago, IL 60607 (312) 831-0400 10:00am-3:00am (Everyday) Thai Bowl \$ 1049 West Taylor Street Chicago, IL 60607 (312) 226-9129 11:00am-7:30pm (Everyday)

Tuscany Restaurant \$\$ 1014 West Taylor Street Chicago, IL 60607 (312) 829-1990 4:00pm-10:00pm (Friday) 4:00pm-10:00pm (Saturday)

*There are many more dining options on Taylor Street, Randolph Street, and Greek Town. *Vending Machines are located on the Second Floor of our Building.

