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UNIVERSITY OF HAWAI'I

"RAINBOW WARRIOR" MARCHING BAND

2021 SEASON

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Hello all new and returning members! We are very excited to get started with our 2021 Rainbow Warrior Marching Band season. It's going to be a great year with lots of fun, spirit, great friends, and some really fun music! Please read this entire document carefully so you are fully prepared for the 2021 season and be sure to keep a copy for reference throughout the fall.

GO BOWS!!!

FRESHMEN/NEW MEMBERS

One part of your university experience is being a student. It is important to have other outlets during your time at the University of Hawai'i to both grow and meet other students outside of your primary area of study. Time can be

a limited commodity particularly to first year university students. Considering this, however, the UH Marching Band rehearsal time only takes up 4.5 hours per week, making it a very manageable endeavor. Rehearsals are scheduled for Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 3:45 PM to 5:15 PM. Performances include all Rainbow Warrior home football games, one or two band festivals including our Rainbow Invitational, and potentially one road game. Many Freshmen who participate in the UH Band feel comfortable and at ease when beginning classes because they just met over 220 students during band camp before classes begin! It is truly the best way to transition to college life!

If you are interested in percussion or color guard and have not heard from your captain yet, please contact us immediately at 808-956-7657.

We are still accepting new members, so if you know of anyone who is interested in becoming a member of the UH "Rainbow Warrior" Marching Band, please have them contact/call Gwen @ 808-956-7657 or gwenn@hawaii.edu.

COURSE REGISTRATION

As a reminder, the course number for marching band is **MUS 419E – Marching Band**. Please be sure to register for the course! **Drumline, Color Guard and Leadership should also register for MUS 419F.**

All UH Band Ensembles will be meeting fully in-person this fall! There are no online options. Class rehearsals/performances will follow any University requirements regarding safety procedures. All procedures will be communicated during the summer. Please note that UH has released plans to require all in-person students to be vaccinated. Please read your emails from UH and follow any and all procedures they require prior to the start of camp.

BAND CAMP INFO – PENDING COVID 19

Attendance at band camp is required.

Band camp is a critical time to learn and establish marching and playing fundamentals. In addition, we must also learn our first half-time and pre-game show. The deeper and stronger marching and playing foundation we are able to establish during camp, the stronger we will be during the course of the season. Hence the requirement to attend camp and be prepared for focused and fast paced, yet fun week of rehearsals. This is the only time during the season when marching band will be your only priority! In order to be in the first halftime and pre-game show, you **MUST** attend all rehearsals. If, for any reason, you are unable to attend these rehearsals, please contact us immediately. Any questions or concerns regarding the band camp attendance policy should be directed to Gwen. Communication is central to all effective working relationships.

PRE-CAMP DATES

(please note that while pre-camp dates are encouraged for all, they are not required)

Saturday, August 14	New Member (to include both 2020 and 2021 new members)		
	Basics Camp	T.C. Ching/Grass	3:00-6:00 PM

BAND CAMP DATES

Attendance is mandatory for ALL members

Sunday, August 15	Full Camp Day #1	T.C. Ching/Grass	TBA
Monday, August 16	Full Camp Day #2	T.C. Ching/Grass	TBA
Tuesday, August 17	Full Camp Day #3	T.C. Ching/Grass	TBA

Wednesday, August 18	Full Camp Day #4	T.C. Ching/Grass	TBA
Thursday, August 19	Full Camp Day #5	T.C. Ching/Grass	TBA
Friday, August 20	Full Camp Day #6	T.C. Ching/Grass	TBA
Saturday, August 21	Full Camp Day #7	T.C. Ching/Grass	TBA

SOME THINGS YOU'LL NEED FOR CAMP!

- Musical instrument – If you do not have your own instrument, one will be provided for you upon your arrival. (There is no rental charge for a university owned instrument.)
- Comfortable clothing for band camp week.
- Water jug! Drink a lot of WATER!
- Comfortable tennis shoes and socks. SANDALS, FLIP-FLOPS, AND/OR BARE FEET ARE NOT PERMITTED ON THE FIELD!! Sunglasses, hat, sunscreen, etc. are also recommended for protection from the sun during the day rehearsals. Be prepared for a lot of sun and heat during camp! Ear plugs/hearing protection is also recommended, especially for louder sections.
- Once you arrive, we will need to know if you are on any type of medication or if you are allergic to any type of bee sting, etc. All of this information is kept confidential by the director/staff. BE HONEST for your own protection.

INSTRUMENT PICKUP

OAHU RESIDENTS

Instrument check out is set for the following dates and times:

Wednesday, August 4	3:00-6:00 PM
Thursday, August 5	3:00-6:00 PM

NON-OAHU RESIDENTS

You can pick up your instrument starting 2 hours before camp begins on Sunday, August 15.

MUSIC DISTRIBUTION

(NOTE: All music will be available online. A link will be sent to you)

You may only download the parts you need, no other or additional parts. The music is only for usage by you, our individual members, and cannot be shared by you with anyone else for any reason. No sharing of the link or other drive information is allowed by anyone other than authorized staff.

IMPORTANT UNIFORM INFORMATION

Below you will find information about what you are provided and the items you will need to purchase or provide yourselves. Please read this section carefully. **ALL MEMBERS** should reference the enclosed order form and respond promptly. ****Order forms are due in the Band Office by WEDNESDAY, JUNE 30, 2021.****

THINGS YOU ARE REQUIRED TO PURCHASE/PROVIDE

All items can be purchased using the included apparel order form.

- Black Shoes: All members must have solid black marching shoes. ***If you have black marching shoes that are still in good condition from high school band, you may use those.*** If you need to order new shoes, please do so on the attached order form. **Black tennis shoes are NOT acceptable!**
- Black Gloves: All wind players must have black gloves. Gloves are on the order form.
- Band T-shirt: The official member shirt **MUST** be worn at all game day rehearsals and underneath the formal uniform. There will be times when we play in the stands without the uniform jacket. The shirt ensures that we all look uniform. ***(RETURNING BAND MEMBERS: This is the same t-shirt as last year, however if your shirt has seen better days, please order a new one.)***
- Green UH Band Golf Shirt: All members will need to purchase a UH Bands green golf shirt for use at pep rallies, university events, and basketball/volleyball games.
- Flip Folder: Flip folders are required for all wind/percussionists at all rehearsals. ***If you do not already own a flip folder, please order one on the attached form.*** Phones are allowed to be used as your flip folder if you prefer. However, you are REQUIRED to still have hands free access while rehearsing and performing. There are good lyre options for phone usage from Tonal Innovations called an "e-flip." If you want to use your phone as your flip folder, please purchase one. Trombones and flute options are available and work much better than traditional lyres!

OPTIONAL ITEMS TO PURCHASE, NOT REQUIRED

- UH Band Baseball Cap
- Travel Jacket

NEW UH BAND MEMBERS

Our "informal" uniform for pep band, pep rallies, and other campus events is our green golf shirt with black "creased" pants and predominately black shoes. ***You must provide the pants and shoes on your own.*** The golf shirt is ordered via the attached order form as mentioned above.

COLOR GUARD MEMBERS

Bobby King will notify you directly regarding orders. If you are participating in pep band then you are required to have the Polo Shirt. All other items are optional for guard. If you order a jacket, we can have color guard printed on the jacket.

CURRENT MARCHING BAND PERFORMANCE/GAME CALENDAR

Calendar is subject to change at any time.

Saturday, September 4	UH vs Portland State
Saturday, September 18	UH vs San Jose State
Saturday, October 2	UH vs. Fresno State
Saturday, October 23	UH vs. New Mexico State

Saturday, November 6

Wednesday, November 10

Saturday, November 20

UH vs San Diego State

RAINBOW INVITATIONAL @ TC Ching Field

UH vs Colorado State

*We look forward to seeing you all for another season filled with **fun, pride, and performance excellence!***

Go BOWS!

ANY QUESTIONS? PLEASE CONTACT GWEN NAKAMURA AT GWENN@HAWAII.EDU