WELCOME TO THE HUNDRED!

This newsletter contains all of the basic information you need for Band Camp and membership in the 2015 IU Marching Hundred.

The Marching Hundred dates back to 1896, and currently lists nearly 275 members from every academic major at IU. The largest athletic support group on the Bloomington campus, the Hundred performs at all home football games, selected away games and post-season bowl games. Members of the Hundred are eligible to audition for our other athletic bands - the "Crabb Band", a paid ensemble that plays for men's and women's soccer, and the "Big Red Basketball Band" which plays at all men's and women's home basketball games.

Please read the entire newsletter and let us know if you have any questions. Be certain to read the “Frequently Asked Questions” section, which answers many of our most common questions from previous years.

Welcome to Indiana University – we hope you enjoy your time as a member of the IU Marching Hundred – “A Tradition of Excellence”

Dave Woodley,
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Associate Director of Athletic Bands

WHAT INSTRUMENTS AND SECTIONS MAKE UP THE HUNDRED?

The IU Marching Hundred is divided into the following instruments and sections: Piccolo (no flutes), clarinet, alto and tenor saxophone, trumpet, mellophone, trombone, baritone, tuba, percussion (battery only) and RedSteppers (dance team). WE furnish mellophones, baritones, sousaphones and percussion.

FALL PERFORMANCE SCHEDULE

The tentative performance schedule for the 2016 Marching Hundred:

Sept. 10    Ball State (visiting band)
Sept. 24    Wake Forest (Band Day)
Oct. 1      Michigan State
Oct. 8      @Ohio State (full band trip)
Oct. 14     H’coming Parade/Pep Rally
Oct. 15     Nebraska (Homecoming)
Oct. 29     Maryland
Nov. 12     Penn State
Nov. 26     Purdue
TBA         Band Showcase Concert
            (Indoor concert/Assembly Hall)

MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

Below you will find specific information for the various sections of the Hundred.

*Wind Members – attend all of Band Camp, starting on Sunday, August 14 at 7:30 p.m. The pre-game marching block is set on Thursday night, August 18. Members are evaluated from Sunday night through Thursday night on both marching and playing. Camp ends on Saturday night, August 20.

*Percussion – prospective members attend a 2-day audition for the drumline, starting on Saturday, August 13. The drumline is set on Sunday night, August 14 and members then attend the remainder of Band Camp.

*RedSteppers – Spring auditions are held on April 30 and fall auditions are Tuesday August 16. Those who are selected attend the remainder of Band Camp.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

*Is it difficult to make it into the Hundred?

ALL WOODWIND AND BRASS PLAYERS are automatically accepted into the Hundred. Spots for the pre-game are determined near the end of Band Camp. Percussion and RedSteppers are accepted by audition only.
A common misconception is the Hundred is made up primarily of music majors – THIS IS NOT TRUE! The Hundred depends heavily on non-majors, since less than 10% come from the IU Jacobs School of Music. We encourage EVERYONE to join us – we find most players are better prepared than they think!

The drumline is the most competitive section of the Hundred – our members come from strong high school and drum corps programs. The RedSteppers are also competitive, with members normally having had many years of previous dance and ballet training.

*Will I have time to fit Hundred into my class schedule?

YES!! On the average, the Hundred only rehearses a total of 6 hours per week – we never schedule any outside rehearsals. Some class conflicts are allowed - these conflicts are worked out at the end of Band Camp. In addition, we have found the rookie Grade Point Average for Hundred members is nearly .5 higher than the University average!!

*Will I need to do fundraisers for the Hundred?

NO!! The Marching Hundred is financially supported by the Department of Athletics. All of our trips (short of personal expenses) are paid in full by Athletics. You will have a one-time $35.00 fee for uniform maintenance/cleaning, you’ll need to pay for Band Camp housing and meals, and will need to supply a pair of all-white marching shoes. Other than those three items, your membership in the Hundred is free. In addition, you will register for the class and will receive two, tuition-free credits!

*What are the difference between the Hundred and my high school band?

There are no competitions for college bands, so our main goals are to entertain the audience and support the IU athletic teams. We perform 6-7 different halftime shows each year, with music ranging from jazz to rock to pop. If you think you’ve had enough of marching band, you will find the Hundred to be an exciting change of pace.

*How do I join the Big Red Basketball Band?

Your membership in the Hundred allows you to audition for the Big Red Basketball Band. These auditions are held during the first week in October.

WHAT DO I NEED TO DO THIS SUMMER TO PREPARE FOR THE FALL?

Here is a checklist you can use to prepare for membership in the Hundred:

*DURING YOUR ORIENTATION VISIT TO IU this summer, you will be allowed to register for Marching Hundred class – X40 for accepted music majors, and X50 for non-music majors. GO AHEAD AND REGISTER FOR THE CLASS! Bring this newsletter with you when you meet with your advisor to register for classes. Exact numbers can be found below (register for your drill section first, then the lecture section).

** the "drill" section numbers are:

- Piccolo 5286
- Clarinet 5287
- Saxophone (both alto and tenor) 5288
- Horn 5289
- Trumpet 5290
- Trombone 5291
- Euphonium 5292
- Tuba (Sousaphone) 5293
- Percussion 5294
- RedSteppers 5295

**the "lecture" section number is: 5285

Music majors (X40 registration) can refer to the Schedule of Courses in the School of Music to find their registration number.

If you are unable to attend one of the Summer Orientation sessions, you can register for Hundred this fall once you arrive on campus.

*EVERYONE should fill out the electronic FIF card (if you have not done so):

http://www.indiana.edu/~bands/rookiefif.php
You will be responsible for your dorm room and meals until contracts start on Wednesday, August 18. Details on check in will be sent to your email address, as long as you have filled out the on-line FIF form (see link on page 2.)

WHAT DO I NEED TO BRING TO BAND CAMP?

*Comfortable, warm-weather clothing
*A good pair of tennis shoes (sandals, flip flops and other casual or work shoes are not permitted)
*Sunscreen, hat, water bottle, towel
Your personal safety and comfort is important to us – please be prepared for any weather situation and wear clothing that is comfortable and will protect you from the sun.

*Lyre for your instrument – all wind members of the Hundred, with the exception of piccolos, are required to have a lyre at all times. The Hundred does not furnish lyres.

*The Hundred marches with all white shoes – if you own a pair, bring them along to camp and we’ll see if they are a match with the shoes we use.

*Bring $40.00 cash/check to pay your one-time uniform repair/cleaning fee. This money is due when you check out your uniform.

QUESTIONS/COMMENTS?

You can contact us in one of the following ways:

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