



## Bass Guitar

*As a bass guitar player in the U.S. Army Bands, you will perform with the jazz combo, rock band, Latin/salsa band, and/or other popular music ensembles as needed. It is essential that all bass players play bass guitar and not only the upright bass.*

### Audition Requirements

#### **Part 1: Prepared Music**

This is your time to show off your unique talents and skills. We are looking for musicians who are versatile and who have experience in many different styles of music. Bass players should prepare four selections of contrasting styles to emphasize your technical, musical, and stylistic ability. It is suggested that you pick a song from each of the following categories:

- Pop/Rock/Country/R&B
- Swing/Jazz/Bebop/Blues
- Latin (Bossa/Samba/Salsa)
- Funk/R&B/Soul/Mowtown

In total, you should have between 10-30 minutes of music prepared.

\*Accompanying backing tracks should be used\*

#### **Part 2: Music Preparation**

This portion of the audition judges how well you can quickly prepare music as if you were called to sub on a gig with short notice. The evening prior to your audition, you will be given a packet of music of various styles. As a rhythm player, you will be expected to play the written melody, comp over the changes in the appropriate style, and improvise a solo over the changes. You will be responsible for preparing the music by your scheduled audition time.

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