



Guitar

As a guitar player with the US Army Bands, you will be expected to perform in many different styles and ensembles. You will perform in rock band, jazz band, jazz combo, and other popular music ensembles. All guitar players must be skilled and experienced in electric guitar as well as acoustic.

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. Guitar 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
- Swing/Jazz/Bebop
- Country/Folk/Bluegrass
- Funk/Hip-Hop/R&B

These pieces must be performed with accompanying backing track

Part 2: Music Preparation

This portion of the audition assesses how well you can quickly prepare music as if you were called to sub on a gig with short notice. The day 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.