

U.S. Navy Fleet Bands



Bass Audition Procedure:

Bassists auditioning for U.S. Navy Fleet Bands must perform on electric bass. All selections must be performed with backing tracks provided by the applicant.

Bassists must perform a total of six selections from the following five categories.

- 1. Current/Popular (one selection):** perform any hit song from the last two years
- 2. Country/Bluegrass (one selection):** upright bass is acceptable for Bluegrass
- 3. R&B/Funk/Soul (one selection)**
- 4. Rock/Alternative (one selection)**
- 5. Jazz (two selections):** one swing and one Latin selection; upright bass is acceptable

Sight-reading is required. The applicant will read from a Real/Fake Book and should be prepared to sight-read a blues, swing and Latin selection. The applicant will be asked to play the head, comp the changes, and perform an improvised solo. When feasible, a rhythm section of Navy Musicians will accompany the applicant during an official audition.