

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 in all of 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.