# **University of Alabama Huntsville Honor Band Information**

The 7th Annual UA Huntsville Invitational Honor Band provides qualified middle and high school students with a world-class clinic experience, facilitated by today's leading wind band conductors and composers.

# Clinic Details:

Dates: November 14-15, 2014

Nominations Accepted: September 1 thru October 1, 2014

Notification of Participants: November 1, 2014

Clinicians: Dr. John Lynch and Mr. Randall Standridge

Cost of Clinic: \$40 per participant (includes 2 meals and a commemorative t-

shirt)

Location of Clinic: Thurber Arts Center, Randolph School, Garth Road, Huntsville

### **Chair Audition Information**

- ALL STUDENTS SHOULD PREPARE A SOLO OF THEIR CHOICE WHICH DEMONSTRATES BOTH TECHNICAL AND LYRICAL ABILITIES.
- THE SOLO PERFORMANCE SHOULD NOT EXCEED 5 MINUTES OF TOTAL PLAYING TIME AND MAY BE ABBREVIATED AS NECESSARY IN ORDER TO DEMONSTRATE BOTH TECHNICAL AND LYRICAL ABILITIES.
- THE SOLO SHOULD "SHOW OFF" THE STUDENT'S TECHNIQUE AND MUSICALITY. PERCUSSIONISTS SHOULD AUDITION ON THEIR STRONGEST INSTRUMENT(S).
- THE SOLO MAY BE SOMETHING THE STUDENT HAS PLAYED IN THE PAST OR IS CURRENTLY PREPARING. EXCERPTS OR ABBREVIATED PORTIONS ARE FINE. THE SOLO MAY BE A PORTION OF A CONCERTO, AN ETUDE, OR EVEN AN EXCERPT FROM CONCERT BAND LITERATURE. ASK YOUR TEACHER FOR ASSISTANCE IF YOU'RE NOT SURE.
- THE STUDENT SHOULD BRING 1 COPY OF THE AUDITION MATERIAL FOR THE JUDGE.
- THE STUDENT WILL SIGHT READ A SHORT SELECTION FOR THE JUDGE.

### Clinic Schedule

# THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2014

4:00 PM Registration Opens/Individual Warm-up

5:00 PM General Meeting followed by Chair Auditions

7:00 PM CONCERT: UAH Wind Ensemble

# FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2014

9:00 AM Rehearsal Session I

12:00 PM Lunch Provided

1:30 PM Rehearsal Session II

4:30 PM Masterclasses with UAH Faculty

5:30 PM Dinner Provided

7:00 PM Rehearsal Session III

9:00 PM Dismissal

# SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2014

9:00 AM Rehearsal Session IV

12:00 PM Lunch on your own

2:00 PM Concert

### Clinic Information

#### **Location:**

All events will take place in the Randolph School's Thurber Center for the Arts on Garth Road in Huntsville. Ample parking is available in the gravel lot on the right as you enter Randolph School from Garth Road, with no need for special decals or passes. Look for signs directing you to the "UAHuntsville Music Event."

# **Driving Directions:**

Randolph Center for the Arts, 4915 Garth Road, Huntsville, AL 35802From I-565, exit on South Memorial Parkway. Take the Drake Avenue exit at Parkway Place Mall and turn left, traveling east, for approximately 2 miles, until you reach the four-way stop at the Garth Road intersection. Turn right, traveling south, for approximately .05 miles. The Randolph

School and Center for the Arts will be on your left.

### **Registration:**

Registration, located in the lobby of the Center for the Arts, will be open from 4:30-5:20 PM, whereupon you will receive a packet of information for the clinic weekend, a nametag which you should wear during your stay on campus, and where you will pay the \$40 clinic fee with either cash or check (made payable to UAH Music Department).

### **General Meeting and Auditions:**

A general meeting of everyone in the Festival weekend will begin at 5:00 PM in the main concert hall. At that time, we will introduce you to the folks you need to know, and direct you to the appropriate areas for chair auditions. Audition information below.

#### **Meals:**

On Friday, both lunch and dinner are provided on campus at no additional charge to you. Your Honor Band nametag will serve as your admission to both meals, catered by local restaurants for your safety and convenience. Due to the freedom of Saturday's clinic schedule, no meals will be provided.

### The Concert Performance:

The concert performance will take place at the Randolph Center for the Arts at 2:00 PM on Saturday, November 15, 2014. CD and DVD recordings of the concert will be available from Tim Batt Recordings immediately before and after the concert in the lobby of the Center for the Arts.

### **Concert Attire:**

Dress for the concert on Saturday is very simple – it is whatever your school band wears for concert performances. For some, this may be band uniforms, for others, tuxedos or concert black or Sunday dress. If more than one person is attending the clinic from your school, please make sure you confer with them about their attire so that there is uniformity from school to school.

### **Parents:**

Parents are welcome to attend any of the clinic sessions with exception, of course, the auditions and masterclasses.

#### **Absenteeism:**

Clearly, participating students have been specially selected for this clinic. Any last minute no-shows will compromise the integrity of the clinic as well as reflect poorly on you, your band, and your school.