

DEPARTMENT OF MUSIC

University of Missouri-Columbia

CHORAL ENSEMBLES

The **University Singers** offers a proud 30 year tradition of excellence in choral singing and is the central ensemble around which other MU vocal groups are developed. The 65 students selected through audition represent the University in performances on and off campus, and frequently perform for local, state, regional and national professional music organizations. Auditions occur during the first week of each semester.



The **Choral Union** is an elective, mixed ensemble with a membership that totals approximately 350 singers. The Choral Union performs a varied repertoire, but emphasis is placed on major orchestral/choral works. Frequently, the Choral Union performs with professional symphony orchestras. Participation is open to all interested individuals.

The **Chamber Singers** are in its sixth year of existence. The ensemble's performance repertoire includes challenging choral chamber literature representing five centuries of the choral art. Auditions occur during the first week of each semester.

The **Singsations** is a vocal jazz ensemble of 16 singers. This popular singing group maintains an active performance schedule, entertaining audiences as diverse as a local street gathering to a formal international tour-concert. Auditions occur during the first week of each semester.



The **Philharmonic Orchestra** consists of advanced wind, string and percussion students selected by audition. The MU Philharmonic, which performs numerous concerts throughout the year in addition to participating in the Annual Chancellor's Festival of Music, also has appeared at major professional music conferences and under the baton of guest conductors such as Aaron Copland. Auditions occur during the first week of each semester.

H O W T O A U D I T I O N

Choral and Orchestral Auditions: occur during the first week of classes of each semester. Consent to enroll cards may be obtained at the Department of Music Office, 140 Fine Arts Building.

Band Auditions: All students wishing to audition for concert, jazz or marching band should make arrangements to do so during Summer Welcome. **These arrangements can be made in one of three ways:**

- 1) Bring your instrument (or mouthpiece) with you to Summer Welcome and sign up for a time at the band booth of the Mizzou Fair the first evening of your visit to campus.
- 2) Once you have confirmed your Summer Welcome date, call the M.U. Band Office at (314) 882-3438 to sign up for a time.
- 3) Fill out the information on this sheet and send it in. We will contact you.

Please check the organizations in which you are most interested and return this form to:

Music Department
University of Missouri-Columbia
140 Fine Arts Building
Columbia, Mo. 65211

_____ Symphonic Wind Ensemble

_____ Symphony Band

_____ Concert Band

_____ University Band

_____ University Philharmonic

_____ Marching Mizzou

_____ Mini Mizzou

_____ Jazz Ensembles

_____ University Singers

_____ Concert Chorale

_____ Choral Union

_____ Singsations

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MIZZOU BANDS

University of Missouri-Columbia

GREETINGS FROM THE DIRECTOR OF BANDS



EXCELLENCE, COMMITMENT, PRIDE! These words are the cornerstone upon which the reputation of the bands at The University of Missouri-Columbia has been built. It is the dedication to the principles that these words represent that continues to make MIZZOU Bands among the finest anywhere. Every student has the opportunity to participate, whether it is in marching band, concert bands, wind ensembles, jazz ensembles or jazz combos; music majors and non-music majors alike can find success in a wide selection of settings and levels of ability.

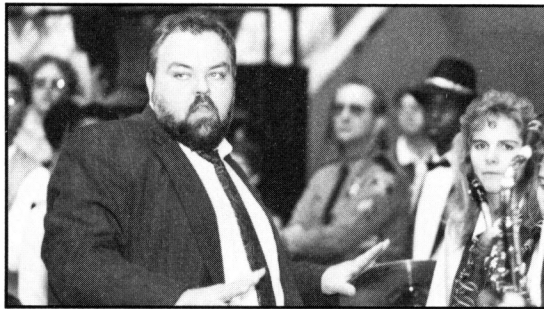
Come Join the Band! Become a member of our band family, which enjoys a history of more than 100 years of quality. Share in the accomplishments of our prestigious University, which ranks among the very finest of the major universities. Join more than 10,000 alumni who are proud to have helped build this tradition of excellence, and come join more than 400 current band members who have committed themselves to assure that **THE TRADITION LIVES ON!**

Dale J. Lonis

Dale J. Lonis, Director of Bands

Marching Mizzou: Known as the "Big 'M' of the Midwest" is one of the most visible ensembles in the University of Missouri Band Program. Comprised of 250 students from nearly every major within the University, this time-honored organization combines fantastic spirit, quality musicianship and more than 100 years of tradition to create nationally renowned gridiron excitement. The tremendous exhilaration of performing in Memorial Stadium, which holds a capacity crowd of nearly 75,000, is unmatched anywhere. The action of Big Eight football, frequent appearances on regional and national television, performances at Kansas City Chiefs professional football games and yearly trips to other Big Eight schools makes this activity a great one for every student at the University.

Mini Mizzou: Showband of Mizzou! Comprised of the finest members of Marching Mizzou, this highly spirited and close knit group performs at all men's home basketball games and tournaments and at away football games. In addition to their numerous campus appearances they perform at various alumni functions and University Extension activities throughout the United States. Recent activities have included trips to New York and Hawaii. Membership is open to all current members of Marching Mizzou by audition.



Fem-Mini Mizzou: Comprised of members of Marching Mizzou, this exciting group performs at all women's home basketball games and tournaments. They are well-known for their creative cheering and spirited playing. Membership is open to all current members of Marching Mizzou by audition.

Symphonic Wind Ensemble is comprised of the finest woodwind, brass and percussion players on the University campus. This select 42-piece organization offers one-per-part soloistic playing experiences in a flexible setting. Unique in its repertoire, the objectives of this ensemble are to perform literature of the highest musical value with emphasis on works originally written for band and wind ensemble. High expectations for individual musicianship and advanced technical attainment make membership in the Symphonic Wind Ensemble a rewarding experience. Membership is open by invitation of the director after all auditions have been heard each semester.

Symphony Band: This band meets during the fall and winter semesters and is one of the highest quality performing organizations on campus. It is comprised of the most accomplished wind and percussion players. The Symphony Band has represented the University with performances for state, regional and national professional music organizations. Students may be placed in this organization either through departmental auditions or through "band auditions," which are open to all students in the University during the first week of classes each semester.

Concert Band: This band meets during the winter semester only. It is comprised of a balanced 70-piece instrumentation that includes outstanding musicians from all schools and departments within the University. The Concert Band performs a rich and varied repertoire with emphasis on the more traditional band literature. Membership is open to all students. Auditions are for chair placement only in the late fall and during the first week of the winter semester.

University Band: This band meets one night per week during the fall and winter semesters. It is comprised of students, faculty, staff and citizens from throughout the Columbia area. This unique blend of personnel provides an opportunity for all those involved to perform the finest band literature. Membership is open to all interested individuals and auditions or interviews determine chair placement.



Studio Jazz Ensemble: The highly praised Studio Jazz Ensemble is best described as exceptional wind, percussion and rhythm section students performing the finest jazz ensemble repertoire available. Comprised of approximately 20 student musicians, the quality of performance has resulted in "outstanding ensemble and soloist" awards at the Prestigious Notre Dame and Wichita Collegiate Jazz Festivals. Membership is open to all students by audition during the first week of each semester and as openings occur in the ensemble.

Jazz Lab Band: The Jazz Lab Band is a performance organization similar in music selection and instrumentation to the Studio Jazz Ensemble. This ensemble presents concerts throughout the year in Jesse Auditorium and at various locations around the University campus. Music selected and discussed makes this an ideal beginning experience for all serious musicians and particularly those who are future music educators. Membership is open to all students by audition during the first week of each semester.

Name

Street Address

City State ZIP

Phone

Campus Address (if known)

MU Student ID Number (if known)

High School _____
Graduation Date

Music Teacher

Instrument you play

Voice (type - e.g. soprano, tenor)

Describe your special music accomplishments:
(e.g. All-State Band, Chorus, Missouri Honors Choir,
State Music Festival)

If interested in Marching Mizzou, please supply this information for uniform assignment:

Height _____ Weight _____ Neck _____ Arm _____ Chest _____ Waist _____ Shoe _____

I will be on campus for Summer Welcome on the following date: _____

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