



# MISSISSIPPI STATE UNIVERSITY™

November 2009

Dear Student,

Thank you for downloading this packet containing information on the 2010 MSU Honor Band Clinic. Here are four important highlights of the packet:

- To be considered for acceptance to any portion of our clinic, you must audition at one of our audition sites or submit a recording to us by Friday, December 11<sup>th</sup>.
- A copy of your audition music **MUST** be provided to the MSU representative hearing your audition or must be included with your submitted recording.
- Completing an audition does not guarantee you a spot at the clinic.
- Percussionists must audition on at least two of the following instruments: snare, mallets, timpani.

Highlights of the clinic, which is open to students in grades 9-12, include the following:

- Guest Conductor/Composer Mark Camphouse
- Honor Wind Symphony and 2 festival concert bands
- Honor Jazz Ensemble
- Honor Percussion Ensemble
- Host concert by the MSU Wind Ensemble

Please read through the information, and if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us at 662-325-2713. We look forward to hearing your audition.

Sincerely,

Elva Kaye Lance  
Director of Bands



# 2010 Mississippi State University Honor Band Clinic

January 28-30, 2010

**Honor Wind Symphony**  
Mark Camphouse, Conductor  
George Mason University

**Clinic Highlights: Honor Jazz Band,  
Honor Percussion Ensemble, 2 Concert  
Bands (in addition to the Wind Symphony)**

Members of the Honor Wind Symphony and two clinic bands are selected through on-site or recorded audition. (See enclosed list of audition sites and dates.) Recordings may be mailed to MSU Bands at P.O. Box 6162, Mississippi State, MS 39762. All audition recordings must be **received** by Friday, December 11, 2009.

## Audition Requirements

### *Wind & Mallet Instruments*

- **Scales:** Concert F, Gb, G, Ab, A, (at least two octaves for woodwinds)
- **Chromatic scale** (practical range of instrument)  
*Scales will be performed in eighth notes @ quarter note = 120, tongued ascending and slurred descending.*
- **Solo:** (1.5 minutes max.) Performance of excerpts from Lion's Band, All-State or District Band etudes is strongly encouraged. **YOU MUST BRING A COPY OF YOUR SOLO TO LEAVE WITH THE MSU REPRESENTATIVE.**
- **Selection criteria:** Tone, Intonation, Accuracy, and Expression as demonstrated through the performance in both scales and the etude selection.

### *Percussion*

- **Rudiments:** (all performed open-closed-open on a concert snare) Nine stroke roll, Flam Paradiddle, Long Roll PLUS concert buzz roll performed for 15 seconds.
- **Solo:** (1 to 1.5 minutes) Performance of excerpts from Lion's Band, All-State or District Band etudes is strongly encouraged. **YOU MUST BRING A COPY OF YOUR SOLO TO LEAVE WITH THE JUDGE.**
- **Selection criteria:** Accuracy and Expression as demonstrated through the performance in both rudiments and the etude selection.
- **Important Note:** All percussionists must try out on at least 2 of the following instruments: Snare, Mallets, Timpani (solo or etude only).

All students who complete the audition but are not selected for the Honor Wind Symphony will automatically be considered for—but not guaranteed—placement in the Maroon Band or White Band. There will be NO on-site chair placements at the clinic this year.



## Honor Jazz Band Clinic / Honor Percussion Ensemble January 28, 2010

Membership in these select groups will be determined through on-site or taped audition. Audition requirements, sites, and deadlines for both groups are the same as those for the Honor Band (see above). Interested students may request consideration for all groups with one audition. (Please indicate this at the audition or on your recording form.) The clinic will conclude with a performance on January 28<sup>TH</sup> at the opening of the Honor Band Clinic, allowing students to participate in both clinics.



# 2010 MSU Honor Band Clinic

## Audition Sites and Dates

### Monday, November 30, 2009

Pearl High School—2:00  
Warren Central High School—2:30

### Tuesday, December 1, 2009

DeSoto Central High School - 1:30 PM

### Wednesday, December 2, 2009

Tupelo High School—2:30 PM

### Thursday, December 3, 2009

Wayne County High School – 1:30 PM

### Tuesday, December 8, 2009

Pelham (AL) High School—3:00  
MSU Band Hall—3:00

### Thursday, December 10, 2009

State Band Clinic, Tupelo—TBA

If you are unable to audition at one of these locations, you may submit a high quality recording on cassette tape, CD, or DVD.

If submitting a recording, please fill out the “**Recording Form**” and send it in with your recording. **You must include a copy of your audition music for the judges**, and only one student’s recording per CD, DVD, or tape is permitted.

All audition recordings must be received by **Friday, December 11, 2009**.

Please send all recordings to:  
MSU Bands  
P.O. Box 6162  
Mississippi State, MS 39762

# 2010 Recording Information Sheet

Form for students submitting recordings through the mail

**Accepted formats: CD, DVD or Cassette Tape. No email.**

*Concert Bands / Honor Jazz Band / Honor Percussion Ensemble*

**(Please fill out completely. It is important that we have all of this information.)**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Instrument (If Euphonium, please indicate TC or BC): \_\_\_\_\_

School: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

T-shirt Size \_\_\_\_\_

I am auditioning for (please check all that apply):

\_\_\_\_\_ Concert Bands  
\_\_\_\_\_ Honor Jazz Band  
\_\_\_\_\_ Honor Percussion Ensemble

On the recording, please do the following.

- Speak your name at the beginning very clearly.
- Introduce each scale (rudiment) you are going to play, including the chromatic scale (long roll).
- Say, "prepared piece" before you begin your prepared piece.
- Please indicate the end of your recording by speaking, "end of recording."
- **NOTE: Only one student's recording is allowed per CD, DVD or cassette tape.**

**Percussionists must audition on at least 2 of the following instruments: snare, timpani, mallets.**

**Mail this form along with your recording and a copy of your audition music to**

**MSU Bands  
P.O. Box 6162  
Mississippi State, MS 39762**

*Recordings MUST be **received** by December 11, 2009.*

**Band Director's Recommendation (MUST BE SIGNED!)**

The student submitting this recording is currently a member of our band in good standing.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed name

**Don't forget to include a copy of your music with your recording package!!!!**