



Dear Director,

Greetings from Lamoni, I trust your semester is off to a great start. I wanted to reach out to you to invite you and your students (9-12) to take part in a the **Graceland Winds Honor Band Festival** on **February 3rd and 4th, 2023**, here on the campus of Graceland University. This honor band is unlike any other in our region with the opportunities it provides your students at no cost to your students or your institution. The weekend will be packed with honor band rehearsals in the beautiful Shaw Center for the Performing Arts, masterclasses led by expert clinicians from throughout the mid-west, a faculty recital featuring those clinicians in the beautiful Carol Recital Hall, and the opportunity to experience campus life at Graceland through the newly opened Newcom Student Union, the Floyd McDowell Commons, and available housing with current Graceland University music students. The weekend will culminate in a joint concert featuring the Graceland Winds Honor Band and the Graceland University Symphonic Band.

Once students arrive on campus all meals are provided and if requested, students may stay with a Graceland Ambassador in student housing (additional permission form attached) all at no cost. Honor band placement is based upon director nominations. All nominations are completed online at www.graceland.edu/gracelandwinds. On that page you will find a Student Information and Permission form to aid in registration. Once registered please bring the permissions forms with you to the event. **Registration is due by December 12th.**

Festival Schedule

Friday

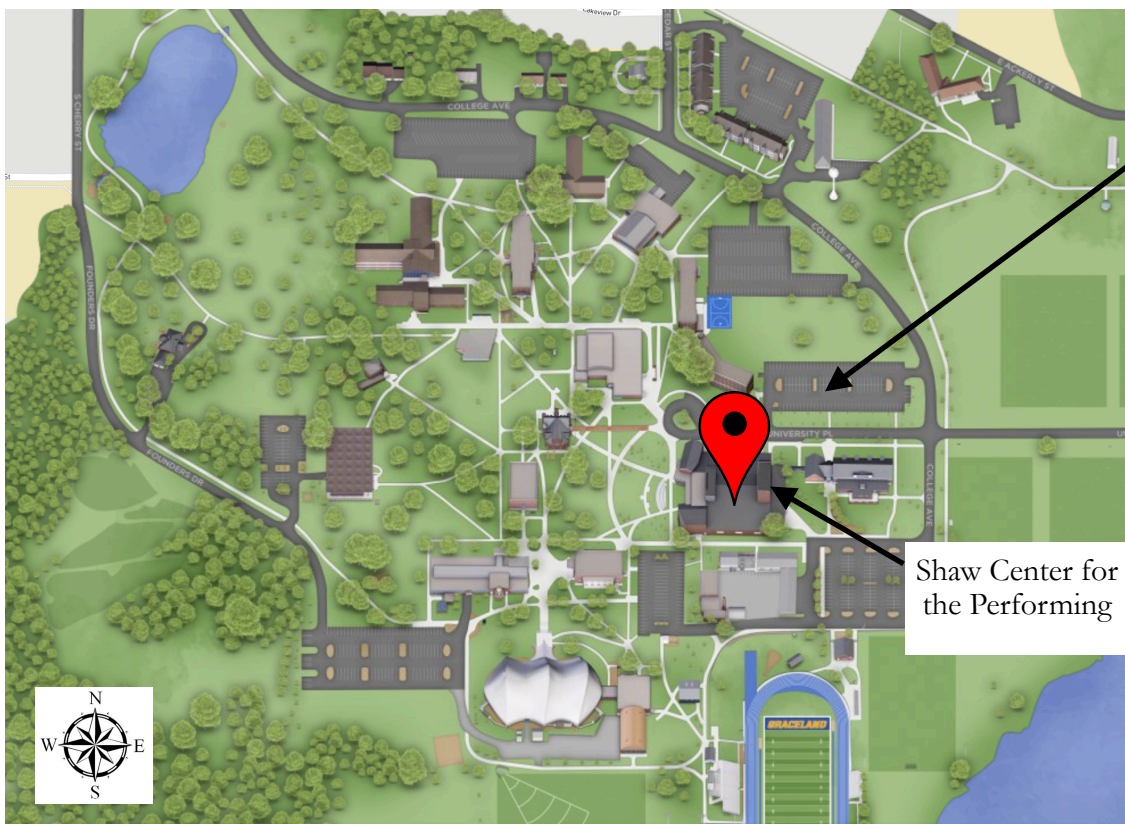
9:00 - 10:00	Check-In
10:00-12:00	Welcome and First Rehearsal
12:00-1:00	Lunch (provided in cafeteria)
1:00-2:30	Sectional/Masterclasses
2:30-2:45	<i>Break</i>
2:45-4:45	Rehearsal
4:45-6:00	Dinner (cafeteria)
6:00-6:45	Sectional/Masterclass
6:45-7:00	<i>Break</i>
7:00-8:15	Rehearsal
8:15-9:30	Social Hour in Newcom Union

Saturday

8:00-9:00	Breakfast (provided in cafeteria)
9:00-11:00	Rehearsal
11:00-11:15	<i>Break</i>
11:15-12:30	Sectional/Masterclass
12:30-1:30	Lunch
1:30-3:30	Dress Rehearsal
3:30-4:30	<i>Break/ Snack</i>
4:30-5:15	Recital Hour
5:15-7:00	Dinner and change for concert
7:30 p.m.	Concert

Thank you for your consideration,

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Shaw Center for the Performing

Graceland Winds Honor Band Frequently Asked Questions

Concert Attire

Students should wear their normal performance attire that they wear for home concerts. If unsure check with your home director or wear standard concert black.

What should I bring?

Students should bring their instrument and any accessories they may need for the weekend (reeds, valve oil etc.) and their concert attire. Everything else will be provided.

When will I receive my music?

Your director will receive copies of your music by late December so that you can begin practicing before the honor band.

Do I need to bring printed copies of my music?

No, we will have hard copies of all music for you when you arrive.

Can I audition for a music scholarship?

Yes! Mention this as you check in and we will schedule a time for you to audition at some point throughout the weekend. P.S. did you know that all students are eligible for music scholarships, regardless of major?

I am staying overnight, how does that work?

You will be grouped with other high school students as well as a Graceland Ambassador to experience life in campus housing. You will be assigned a dorm room and will have access to dorm bathrooms and showers.

I am staying overnight, what do I need to bring?

Students should bring toiletries, any medications, a towel, pillow, and sleeping bag.



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Graceland University Event Parking Pass

Graceland Winds Honor Band

Valid from 2/3/22, 8:00 a.m.
Valid Until 2/4/20, 10:00 p.m.

For Questions Contact:
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