

THE HOLLYWOOD CHRISTMAS PARADE

Marching Band Application

The Hollywood Christmas Parade, an American tradition for over 80 years, will be telecast nationwide throughout the month of December. The parade is held annually the Sunday evening following Thanksgiving Day.

Bands are selected based on a variety of criteria, including musicianship, marching ability, uniqueness and entertainment value. In addition, we also seek bands with the ability to perform field show-type maneuvers while continuing to march.

Band Requirements:

- The parade welcomes applications from all types of bands, including high school bands, college, community, specialty bands, and others. There are no age requirements for band members.
- Bands from all over the world and every style are encouraged to apply.
- Accepted bands will be required to submit a copy of their general liability insurance, from the school, district, or organization that the band represents.

Important Dates:

- The event is taped the evening of the parade.
- We are currently accepting applications for 2025 and 2026.

The deadline to apply is May 1 of the parade year. Qualified bands who apply after this date will be accepted on a space available basis at the discretion of the selection committee.

- Any band unit canceling on or after September 30, the year of the parade, will forfeit their participation fee to Hollywood Christmas Parade Television.



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This application must be filled out by the Band Director or Performance Group Leader. Applications from third parties will not be accepted.

Year Applying For (select one): 2025 2026

Official Band Name: _____

School Name: _____

Contact Person & Title: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Telephone #: _____ Fax #: _____

Email: _____ Cell Phone #: _____

Website: _____

General Categorized Description (Please select all that apply):

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| Marching Band | High School Band | College Band |
| Junior Drum Corps | Sr. Drum Corps | Alumni Corps |
| String Band | Pipe Band | Fife/Drum Corps |
| Specialty Band | Other: _____ | |

Breakdown of Members (Please fill in quantities):

Total Marchers: _____ Musicians: _____ Drum Majors: _____

Dancers: _____ Twirlers: _____ Flags: _____ Rifles: _____

Other: _____

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Have you marched in the Hollywood Christmas Parade before?: Yes No

If yes, what year?: _____

Do you have an identifying banner?: Yes No

Unusual stories about the band that the hosts *may* use in the telecast:

Names of famous musicians who were part of this musical group – this *may* also be used in the telecast:

The following materials must be included in your application:

1. An 8x10 color photograph of the band.
2. Description and color photographs of your uniforms.
3. A 2 – 3 sentence biography of the band.
4. Three references, including contact information, who can endorse the performance quality of your band.
5. A YouTube link of the band in a recent parade appearance. Field shows may be included, but the performance sample should include a parade appearance.
6. Any other information that will help the parade producers evaluate your application.

For further information contact (833) PARADE1 or (833) 727-2331.

Please submit this completed application with all requested materials to:

info@thehollywoodchristmasparade.com

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Please note, if your band is selected to appear in the parade, you will be notified of the participation fee.

An invoice for this participation fee will be sent to you from Hollywood Christmas Parade Television, LLC. Full payment will be due by September 30, the year of the parade.

All materials submitted with your application become the property of The Hollywood Christmas Parade Television, LLC. I understand that broadcast television coverage is subject to scheduling and mandatory commercial breaks, and the above marching band is not guaranteed television coverage time. I understand that the above band is responsible for all costs incurred for travel for the Parade. I understand that I will need to secure the rights to the repertoire that our band will perform in The Hollywood Christmas Parade. I also understand that completing and forwarding this application to the Parade Committee does not guaranteed the above band to a position in the parade. Failure to comply with above conditions may result in denial of application to participate and / or in the removal of a band from the parade.

Invitations to participate in the parade can only be extended by The Hollywood Christmas Parade Television, LLC Committee and no other parties.

NO EXCEPTIONS WILL BE HONORED.

Director Signature

Print Name/ Date

PLEASE COMPLETE ALL SECTIONS OF THIS APPLICATION AND INCLUDE ALL MATERIALS. **INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED.**

(Completion of this application does not guarantee participation.)