



United States Marine Band • Marine Chamber Orchestra
Colonel Michael J. Colburn, Director

Announces a Vacancy for Audio Technician/Recording Engineer

The U.S. Marine Band is America's oldest musical organization, whose mission is to provide music for the President of the United States and the Commandant of the Marine Corps. Marine Band musicians perform frequently at the White House in small ensembles, chamber orchestra, concert band, and as soloists. The Marine Band performs for a wide variety of commitments, to include public concerts, recording sessions, touring, chamber music recitals, military ceremonies and state functions. Today's Marine Band is composed of 154 of the nation's finest musicians. Those selected for "The President's Own" are exempt from recruit training and are appointed to the rank of Staff Sergeant/E-6 under a contract "for duty with the U.S. Marine Band only."

Typical sound technician/recording engineer responsibilities include providing sound enhancement for Marine Band performances and serving as recording engineer for various Marine Band concerts and recording projects. In addition, the sound technician/recording engineer will share responsibility for the Marine Band's recording studio, to include the inventory and routine maintenance of all sound/recording equipment and the preservation of the band's recorded archive collections. Also, the sound technician/recording engineer will perform video production and post-production work as needed in support of the Marine Band mission.

Applicants for the position shall have a strong background in classical music and a solid theoretical and practical understanding of the concepts, techniques, and technology involved in classical music recording, editing, and production. A thorough knowledge of computer systems and software used in digital audio production and digital video production is required. Experience with Pyramix, Sequoia, or comparable multitrack, source/destination capable digital audio editing software is strongly preferred. Experience with digital video editing and production software is preferred. Live sound reinforcement and/or theatrical stage and sound experience is preferred.

Enlistment Qualifications

Current regulations authorize enlistment between ages 17 and 28. Age waivers may be granted in some cases; however the maximum age for which waivers may be granted to those with no prior military service is 34. Applicants must also pass the Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery (ASVAB) and a complete physical examination, which includes complying with established height/weight standards both at the time of enlistment and throughout one's Marine Corps career.

United States citizenship and successful completion of an extensive background investigation are mandatory in order to obtain a Secret Security Clearance with Category III White House Access. Applicants holding dual citizenship will be required to renounce their foreign citizenship as a prerequisite to obtaining clearance. This clearance is a requirement for the assignment of the Military Occupational Specialty (MOS) 5511 - Member, U.S. Marine Band. Due to the length and scope of the security clearance process, it is initiated following the member's enlistment onto active duty. Failure to obtain and maintain this security clearance may result in administrative separation from the U.S. Marine Corps.

To learn more, please visit <http://www.marineband.marines.mil/CareerInformation.aspx>

How to apply:

Interested applicants should submit the following items to the address below, to be postmarked or sent electronically no later than **Jan. 17, 2014:**

- 1) A cover letter and resume listing education, past experience, and current employment, as well as phone numbers and email addresses for three references.
- 2) Two samples of one's recorded work, to include detailed information regarding the techniques, equipment, and recording environment in which they were produced. Samples will not be returned to applicants following the selection process.

Applicants will be contacted after the requested material has been received and reviewed by the Marine Band. The semi-final round will consist of a phone interview and will take place in early February 2014. Finalists will be notified by Feb. 28, 2014. The final round will take place in early April, 2014 at Marine Barracks Annex in Washington, D.C., and finalists are responsible for all of their own travel expenses. For further information, please contact:

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