

Great Falls Municipal Band Video Outreach Program

Strategic Investment Grants 2022

Great Falls Municipal Band Inc.

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Application Form

About the Montana Arts Council

The Montana Arts Council is the agency of state government established to develop the creative potential of all Montanans, advance education, spur economic vibrancy, and revitalize communities through involvement in the arts. The Montana Arts Council is governed by 15 individuals appointed by the Governor. It is funded by the state and federal government.

Program Description

Strategic Investment Grants (SIG) provide up to \$1000 for expenses related to opportunities for professional development, market expansion, and art events. SIG enables artists and teachers to advance their professional careers and supports nonprofit organizations in the advancement of arts-related programs.

SIG supports a wide variety of arts-related activities and opportunities:

- Attendance at workshops, trainings, residencies, or conferences
- Exhibiting at trade shows, gallery showings conferences, festivals, or other art events
- Public outreach and marketing for events or publications
- Expansion of online presence or entry into new online marketplaces
- Performances, public art installations, demonstrations, or exhibitions
- Investments in technology or tools that represent a clear step forward professionally

Application Deadline

Applications are due on the 15th of each month by 11:59 p.m. If the 15th falls on a weekend or holiday, the deadline will be the next business day. Applications must be submitted electronically via the online grant system. Applications submitted by the deadline will be reviewed the following month.

For more information about the review process or for assistance with the application, email brian.moody2@mt.gov.

Review Criteria for Artists

The following criteria will be used to evaluate applications for individual artists or groups of artists:

- **Artistic Career.** The application should clearly demonstrate qualifications, background, and experience of applicant. Examples of evidence include current resume or bio, artist website and social media links, and images or samples of artwork.
- **Clear description of proposed activity.** The project or activity start date and end date are accurate and feasible, narrative responses are direct and descriptive, included links and uploaded materials support the activity.
- **Impact.** Activity directly connects to the artistic practice of the applicant and the benefit is demonstrated.
- **Feasibility.** The project activity is eligible for funding and achievable with grant support. Evidence should include: a completed budget, links or materials for proposed activity, invoices, quotes, or links to proposed purchases.

Review Criteria for Organizations

The following criteria will be used to evaluate applications for organizations:

- **Organizational capacity.** The organization is arts focused or offers arts programming and is well situated to carry out the activity. Examples of evidence for organizational capacity include organizational history, applicable staff or contractor resumes, websites, and social media links.

- **Clear description of proposed activity.** The project start date and end date are accurate and feasible, narrative responses are direct and descriptive, included links or uploaded materials support the activity. Connection to the arts is demonstrated.
- **Impact.** The activity connects to the mission of the organization and will benefit the community served.
- **Feasibility.** The project activity is eligible for funding and achievable with grant support. Evidence includes a complete budget, links or materials for proposed activity, invoices, quotes, and links to proposed purchases.

Review Process

Submissions are first reviewed by staff. Staff confirms applicant eligibility and completeness of applications before sending them to the grant panel for review. *Ineligible or incomplete applications will not be reviewed by the grant panel.*

The grant panel--consisting of members of the Montana Arts Council governing board--reviews applications according to the criteria listed above. Review meetings take place the second Wednesday of each month. Applicants are welcome to attend these virtual meetings. If interested in attending, contact brian.moody2@mt.gov for details.

Award Amounts

The maximum award for Strategic Investment Grants is \$1000. Grant payments are made as a reimbursement of documented expenses. Grantees are eligible for a maximum of \$1000 of funding per fiscal year. MAC's fiscal year begins on July 1.

Eligible applicants:

- Montana residents with at least 12 months of occupancy prior to activity start date
- At least 18 years of age
- Legal U.S. residents
- Montana-based 501(c)3 non-profit organizations, in existence for at least 12 months, with arts programming
- For details about eligibility, email brian.moody2@mt.gov

Ineligible applicants:

- High School students and degree-seeking collect students (graduate or undergraduate) and non-degree seeking students receiving college credit for the proposed activity
- Currently enrolled participants in the Montana Artrepreneur Program (MAP)
- Montana Arts Council staff or members of its governing body, or anyone connected to them by one degree of relationship
- Individuals and organizations with delinquent MAC final reports
- Current Public Value Partnership (PVP) and Statewide Service Organization (SSO) grantee organizations
- Applicants that have already received \$1000 of funding from SIG during the same fiscal year. MAC fiscal years begin July 1

Contacts and Accessibility

For questions or concerns about the application process or technical assistance, or to request a large-print or alternate format guidelines, contact Brian Moody at brian.moody2@mt.gov or 406-444-4700.

Project Name*

Choose a descriptive name for the project that will help reviewers quickly identify the proposal.

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Application Type: Artist or Organization*

Both individual artists--or groups of artists--and Montana 501(c)(3) organizations are eligible to apply for Strategic Investment Grants. Artists and organizations will be directed to separate applications and will be evaluated according to different criteria.

Are you applying as a 501(c)(3) or as an individual artist/group of artists? Select one.

501(c)(3) organization. Either an arts organization or organization with demonstrated arts programs.

Organization Application

Eligible Activities + Expenses

The SIG program supports organizations by enabling them to take advantage of opportunities to enhance their mission or better serve their communities. Example expenses the grant will reimburse include:

- Travel or entry fees associated with professional development for staff including workshops, conferences, or trainings
- Preparation, freight and shipping costs for materials
- Materials to complete work scheduled for public art, gallery exhibition, performance or publication
- Professional fees and services for marketing, outreach, event production, or documenting an event
- Fees for equipment, instruments or facility that are integral to the opportunity

If you have questions about whether your proposed activity is eligible, please email brian.moody2@mt.gov.

Ineligible Activities + Expenses

The SIG program does NOT fund the following:

- General operating or personnel expenses
- Activities based in the schoolroom
- Expenses incurred before the project start date
- Activities that feature primarily student artists
- Activities that take place outside of the United States
- Research
- Fundraisers
- Meals
- General ongoing business expenses such as business cards or office supplies
- Ongoing personal or household expenses
- Indirect costs are costs that are not directly accountable to a cost object, including administration, personnel and security costs not directly associated with the activity

Eligibility Requirements*

Eligible Organizations:

- Montana-based 501(c)(3) arts organizations or organizations with demonstrated arts programming are eligible to apply. An organization needs to be operating for 12 months in Montana and in good standing with the Montana Secretary of State to be eligible.

Ineligible Organizations:

- Institutions of higher education.
- Recipients of MAC operating support grants including Public Value Partnerships (PVP) and Statewide Service Organization (SSO) grants.
- Organizations with delinquent final reports for other MAC grants.

If you are uncertain of your organization's eligibility, please contact brian.moody2@mt.gov.

I represent a 501(c)(3) organization, operating in Montana, with demonstrated arts programming.

Proof of 501(c)(3) Status

Please upload your proof of 501 (c)(3) status letter here. If MAC already has your determination letter on file, skip this question.

IRS 2009 501c3 verification.pdf

Request Amount*

Maximum request: \$1000

\$1,000.00

Activity Start Date*

The activity start date is the date expenses related to the requested funds will begin. The start date of the activity needs to occur after the review date of the application. Expenses incurred before the review date are ineligible for reimbursement.

Grant proposals are reviewed the second Wednesday of each month.

For questions about the activity start date, contact Brian Moody brian.moody2@mt.gov or 406-444-4700.

06/13/2022

Activity End Date*

08/12/2022

Description of Activity*

- Describe the proposed activity.
- Describe how the proposed activity connects to the mission of the organization and the objectives of the arts programming.
- Be as specific as possible about the details of the request, including dates, locations, names of institutions/artists involved, etc.

Before the health crisis, there were video recordings of the organizations' performances that were completed for historical and archival reasons. The pandemic pushed this avenue of contact with audiences to the forefront of consideration and outreach. With that in mind and with a look toward the future contact with audiences, supporters and donors, a major upgrade to professional equipment and editing is required. The improved quality would provide a marketable outcome to showcase the mission and purposes of the organizations. The editing software will assist in presenting a polished appearance for the ensemble and its mission to the community. The acquirement of a professional level camcorder will be a significant

improvement over the screen camera of an iPad or iPhone. Two YouTube web sites are listed below. The first is from the Fourth of July Celebration 2021, the second is a week later in the Gibson Park Bandshell. These are examples of our current outreach.

Outcomes*

- Describe the intended outcomes of this activity.
- Explain how this activity is of benefit to the community.

The organization began with archival recordings posted on YouTube. These were of poor to adequate endeavors, more in line with family home movies. The improved production would show the skills and opportunities of participating with the Municipal Band as well as its other supported ensembles, the Community Jazz Band and the Community Concert Band. The organization has also aided and supported small chamber gatherings of instrumentalists which enhances the musical experience of the performers as well as making them available to audiences throughout the city and its surrounding environs.

The result of the grant will be a viable mp4 video file that is also posted on YouTube for the community.

Use of Funds*

Describe the expenses that the grant funds will cover. These expenses should be clearly listed as part of the **Project Budget Worksheet**. In the final reporting process, grantee will provide receipts and/or invoices to document these expenses. Only expenses incurred after the review date of the application are eligible for reimbursement.

These funds are for the express usage to purchase videography equipment, supporting devices such as cases and tripods. It is also to provide editing software to modify the video recorded concert with titles and appropriate revisions. It is the eventual desire to expand to a three camera system similar to most professional studios with synchronized editing within the next two to three years.

Project Budget Worksheet*

Click to download the budget spreadsheet linked [HERE](#). List all expenses related to the proposed activity. Save the completed spreadsheet and upload.

For examples of successful project budgets click [HERE](#).

[GreatFallsMunicipalBand_SIGBudgetForm_2022.pdf](#)

Supporting Materials

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Applicants are strongly encouraged to provide documents, images, and web links that support the application. Reviewers of the application will look to these materials for evidence that backs up the proposal. For technical assistance with the section below, please contact brian.moody2@mt.gov.

Resume, Bio, or CV of Applicant

A resume or bio should be current and demonstrate the qualifications, background, and experience of the applicant. If applying as an organization this may not be applicable.

Examples of effective arts resumes can be found by clicking [HERE](#).

[GreatFallsMunicipalBand_Resume.pdf](#)

Resume, Bio, or CV of Consultant, Mentor, Teaching Artist, or Partner Artist Work Samples

Images, promotional materials, flyers, or other documents.

[GreatFallsMunicipalBand_2021_June_30_4thOfJuly.pdf](#)

[GreatFallsMunicipalBand_2021_July_7_GospelChoir.pdf](#)

[GreatFallsMunicipalBand_2021_Aug_11.pdf](#)

Letter(s) of Support

Multiple letters of support can be combined into one document. For assistance on combining letters, email brian.moody2@mt.gov

[GreatFallsMuniBand_LettersOfSupport.pdf](#)

Organizational History

An organizational history should include the organization's mission and details about its founding and its operation.

[GreatFallsMunicipalBand_History.pdf](#)

Applicant Website

https://waywordbound.com/partners/Great_Falls_Municipal_Band_Inc/Great_Falls_Municipal_Band_Home.html

Website for Partner Artist, Instructor, Mentor, Etc.

Website for collaborators or partners for the activity, or workshop leaders, or trainers.

Website for Venue, Activity Location, Conference, Workshop, Etc.

<https://youtu.be/1A9MTIp7bwQ>

Additional Web Site

<https://youtu.be/1A9MTIp7bwQ>

Social Media

<https://www.facebook.com/Great-Falls-Mt-Municipal-Band-276892132448880>

Social Media

Assurances and Signature

Sign Up for MAC Publications & News

MAC is proud to produce the State of the Arts, a free quarterly newspaper. To sign up for a paper or electronic subscription, and to view archived digital issues, go to <https://art.mt.gov/soa>

To receive periodic email updates about the arts in Montana or upcoming funding opportunities through MAC go to <https://public.govdelivery.com/accounts/MTARTS/subscriber/new>

Add Montana Arts Council to Email Contacts*

The Montana Arts Council send grant notifications to applications via this online grant system. Some email providers will classify these messages as "SPAM". Please add "administrator@grantinterface.com" to your contact list or safe sender list to ensure you don't miss important emails about your grant's status.

I have added administrator@grantinterface.com to my email contacts.

Payment Process and Reporting*

All funded projects, upon completion, must submit a project evaluation, financial report and/or a final report.

- Payments are made as an expense reimbursement and are issued after MAC receives the final report together with all receipts associated with the grant project.
- Normal MAC turnaround for reimbursement checks is approximately 30 days.

I have read and understand the payment information.

Promotional Credit*

If you receive a Strategic Investment Grant, the Montana Arts Council must be listed as a funding agent in all public announcements, news releases, publications, or information concerning the funded activity. Logos are available from our website: <https://art.mt.gov/logos>

I will abide by all promotion credit requests.

Please type your name in the box below*

James F. Rickley

Date*

05/14/2022

Signature Verification*

By clicking "I agree" below and typing my name in the box above, I am authorized to make application on behalf of this individual and the information provided is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge.

I agree

File Attachment Summary

Applicant File Uploads

- IRS 2009 501c3 verification.pdf
- GreatFallsMunicipalBand_SIGBudgetForm_2022.pdf
- GreatFallsMunicipalBand_Resume.pdf
- GreatFallsMunicipalBand_2021_June_30_4thOfJuly.pdf
- GreatFallsMunicipalBand_2021_July_7_GospelChoir.pdf
- GreatFallsMunicipalBand_2021_Aug_11.pdf
- GreatFallsMuniBand_LettersOfSupport.pdf
- GreatFallsMunicipalBand_History.pdf

INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE
P. O. BOX 2508
CINCINNATI, OH 45201

DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

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Date:

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GREAT FALLS MUNICIPAL BAND, INC
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Employer Identification Number:
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DLN:
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Contact Person:
JO A CHRISTMAS ID# 31546
Contact Telephone Number:
(877) 829-5500
Accounting Period Ending:
December 31
Public Charity Status:
170(b)(1)(A)(vi)
Form 990 Required:
Yes
Effective Date of Exemption:
June 25, 2009
Contribution Deductibility:
Yes
Addendum Applies:
No

Dear Applicant:

We are pleased to inform you that upon review of your application for tax exempt status we have determined that you are exempt from Federal income tax under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Contributions to you are deductible under section 170 of the Code. You are also qualified to receive tax deductible bequests, devises, transfers or gifts under section 2055, 2106 or 2522 of the Code. Because this letter could help resolve any questions regarding your exempt status, you should keep it in your permanent records.

Organizations exempt under section 501(c)(3) of the Code are further classified as either public charities or private foundations. We determined that you are a public charity under the Code section(s) listed in the heading of this letter.

Please see enclosed Publication 4221-PC, Compliance Guide for 501(c)(3) Public Charities, for some helpful information about your responsibilities as an exempt organization.

Letter 947 (DO/CG)

REAT FALLS MUNICIPAL BAND, INC

We have sent a copy of this letter to your representative as indicated in your power of attorney.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Robert Choi".

Robert Choi
Director, Exempt Organizations
Rulings and Agreements

Enclosure: Publication 4221-PC

Strategic Investment Grants In The Arts

Applicant: Great Falls Municipal Band Inc

Project Expenses		Cash Amount
1 Fees for Artists or Consultants		
2 Travel or Lodging for Artists or Consultants or Yourself		
Travel \$0.585 per mile (2022 rate) or commercial transport		
Lodging (\$12.00 per night for un-receipted lodging)		
3 Facilities, Equipment		
Detail:	Panasonic HC-V770K Full HD Camcorder	\$650
4 Materials, Supplies, Services and Promotion		
Detail:	ScanDisk 128GM Extreme PRO UHS-1 SDXC Memory Card 2 @ \$30	\$60
Detail:	Watson VW-VBT280 Lithium Ion Battery Pack	\$40
Detail:	MagnusTR-13 Travel Tripod with Dual-Action Ball Head	\$80
Detail:	Magnus BHQR-65 Release Plate for TR-13 Tripod	\$10
Detail:	Ruggard Onyx 35 Camera/Camcorder Shoulder Bag	\$20
Detail:	Tripod Carry Bag	\$20
5 Other		
Detail:	Software: CyberLink Power Director 20 Ultra & PhotoDirector 13 Ultra Video Editing Software	\$120
Total Expenses		\$1,000

Project Funding Sources	Amount
1 Strategic Investment Grant Request	\$1,000
2 Applicant Cash	
3 Other Funding (Grants, Admissions, Sales, Donations, In-Kind)	
Total Project Funding	\$1,000

updated January 2022



The **Great Falls Municipal Band** started in 1894 as the Black Eagle Band, formed by the town's biggest employer, the Boston Montana Consolidated Copper and Silver Mining Co. The Anaconda Company bought the smelter in 1910. The band then became affiliated with the city. The Band has performed concerts in the Gibson Park for 128 consecutive seasons making it one of the oldest bands in the nation. Over the years, the Municipal Band has been in demand to play for assorted dignitaries, special events and dedication

ceremonies. In the late 1930s the band played at the dedication of the Fort Peck Dam which was attended by President Franklin C. Roosevelt. The band also performed for the visits of John F. Kennedy and Ronald Reagan. Recently, the organization expanded to include the Community Band and the Community Jazz Band, groups whose mission was similar and congruent with the Municipal Band.

The purpose and mission of the Great Falls Municipal Band, Inc. is foster the development in the community of an appreciation of the musical arts, by promoting and producing, or causing to be produced, musical productions and entertainments, and by taking part in activities having that end in view. The organization will also operate concert bands and/or similar ensembles of varying size, to reaffirm the community position in instrumental music, to provide an opportunity for individual musical expression and growth among the membership, and to provide an opportunity for contact and association between and among musicians.

Contact Personnel

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Mission for the 2022 Year

Date	Activity	Organization	Performance Venue
<i>Wednesday, January 26, 2022</i>	<i>Rehearsal</i>	<i>Jazz Band</i>	<i>Great Falls HS Band Room</i>
<i>Thursday, January 27, 2022</i>	<i>Rehearsal</i>	<i>Community Band</i>	<i>New Hope Lutheran Church</i>
<i>Wednesday, February 2, 2022</i>	<i>Rehearsal</i>	<i>Jazz Band</i>	<i>Great Falls HS Band Room</i>
<i>Thursday, February 3, 2022</i>	<i>Rehearsal</i>	<i>Community Band</i>	<i>New Hope Lutheran Church</i>
<i>Wednesday, February 9, 2022</i>	<i>Rehearsal</i>	<i>Jazz Band</i>	<i>Great Falls HS Band Room</i>
<i>Thursday, February 10, 2022</i>	<i>Rehearsal</i>	<i>Community Band</i>	<i>New Hope Lutheran Church</i>
<i>Wednesday, February 16, 2022</i>	<i>Rehearsal</i>	<i>Jazz Band</i>	<i>Great Falls HS Band Room</i>
<i>Thursday, February 17, 2022</i>	<i>Rehearsal</i>	<i>Community Band</i>	<i>New Hope Lutheran Church</i>
<i>Wednesday, February 23, 2022</i>	<i>Rehearsal</i>	<i>Jazz Band</i>	<i>Great Falls HS Band Room</i>
<i>Thursday, February 24, 2022</i>	<i>Rehearsal</i>	<i>Community Band</i>	<i>New Hope Lutheran Church</i>
<i>Wednesday, March 2, 2022</i>	<i>Rehearsal</i>	<i>Jazz Band</i>	<i>Great Falls HS Band Room</i>
<i>Thursday, March 3, 2022</i>	<i>Rehearsal</i>	<i>Community Band</i>	<i>New Hope Lutheran Church</i>
<i>Wednesday, March 9, 2022</i>	<i>Rehearsal</i>	<i>Jazz Band</i>	<i>Great Falls HS Band Room</i>
<i>Thursday, March 10, 2022</i>	<i>Rehearsal</i>	<i>Community Band</i>	<i>New Hope Lutheran Church</i>
<i>Wednesday, March 16, 2022</i>	<i>Rehearsal</i>	<i>Jazz Band</i>	<i>Great Falls HS Band Room</i>
<i>Thursday, March 17, 2022</i>	<i>Rehearsal</i>	<i>Community Band</i>	<i>New Hope Lutheran Church</i>
<i>Wednesday, March 23, 2022</i>	<i>Rehearsal</i>	<i>Jazz Band</i>	<i>Great Falls HS Band Room</i>
<i>Thursday, March 24, 2022</i>	<i>Rehearsal</i>	<i>Community Band</i>	<i>New Hope Lutheran Church</i>
<i>Wednesday, March 30, 2022</i>	<i>Rehearsal</i>	<i>Jazz Band</i>	<i>Great Falls HS Band Room</i>
<i>Thursday, March 31, 2022</i>	<i>Rehearsal</i>	<i>Community Band</i>	<i>New Hope Lutheran Church</i>
<i>Tuesday, April 5, 2022</i>	<i>Rehearsal</i>	<i>Community Band</i>	<i>New Hope Lutheran Church</i>
<i>Wednesday, April 6, 2022</i>	<i>Rehearsal</i>	<i>Jazz Band</i>	<i>Great Falls HS Band Room</i>
<i>Tuesday, April 12, 2022</i>	<i>Rehearsal</i>	<i>Community Band</i>	<i>New Hope Lutheran Church</i>
<i>Wednesday, April 13, 2022</i>	<i>Rehearsal</i>	<i>Jazz Band</i>	<i>Great Falls HS Band Room</i>
<i>Wednesday, April 20, 2022</i>	<i>Rehearsal</i>	<i>Jazz Band</i>	<i>Great Falls HS Band Room</i>
<i>Thursday, April 21, 2022</i>	<i>Rehearsal</i>	<i>Community Band</i>	<i>New Hope Lutheran Church</i>
<i>Saturday, April 23, 2022</i>	Performance	<i>Jazz Band</i>	<i>New Hope Lutheran Church</i>
<i>Sunday, April 24, 2022</i>	Performance	<i>Community Band</i>	<i>New Hope Lutheran Church</i>
<i>Tuesday, June 14, 2022</i>	<i>Rehearsal</i>	<i>Municipal Band</i>	<i>Times Square</i>
<i>Wednesday, June 15, 2022</i>	Performance	<i>Mini-MUNI</i>	<i>Gibson Park Bandshell</i>
<i>Tuesday, June 21, 2022</i>	<i>Rehearsal</i>	<i>Municipal Band</i>	<i>Times Square</i>
<i>Wednesday, June 22, 2022</i>	Performance	<i>Mini-MUNI</i>	<i>Gibson Park Bandshell</i>
<i>Sunday, June 26, 2022</i>	<i>Rehearsal</i>	<i>Municipal Band</i>	<i>Civic Center</i>
<i>Wednesday, June 29, 2022</i>	Performance	<i>Municipal Band</i>	<i>Civic Center</i>
<i>Tuesday, July 5, 2022</i>	<i>Rehearsal</i>	<i>Municipal Band</i>	<i>Gibson Park Bandshell</i>
<i>Wednesday, July 6, 2022</i>	Performance	<i>Municipal Band</i>	<i>Gibson Park Bandshell</i>
<i>Tuesday, July 12, 2022</i>	<i>Rehearsal</i>	<i>Municipal Band</i>	<i>Gibson Park Bandshell</i>
<i>Wednesday, July 13, 2022</i>	Performance	<i>Municipal Band</i>	<i>Gibson Park Bandshell</i>

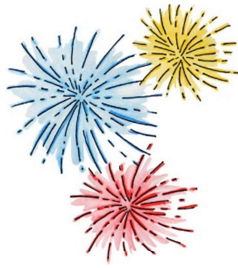
Past Outreach and Mission with a Web Presence

<https://www.facebook.com/Great-Falls-Mt-Municipal-Band-276892132448880>

[https://waywordbound.com/partners/Great Falls Municipal Band Inc/Great Falls Municipal Band Home.html](https://waywordbound.com/partners/Great_Falls_Municipal_Band_Inc/Great_Falls_Municipal_Band_Home.html)

YouTube Presence

Date of Posting	Posting Address	Organization	Note
4/26/2022	https://youtu.be/RrmD_bxRIF0	Community Jazz Band	
4/24/2022	https://youtu.be/5fyX42NzCyU	Community Band	
11/21/2021	https://youtu.be/5pY4k9UoUxM	Community Band	
8/11/2021	https://youtu.be/J5Q6LIZ8lQQ	Municipal Band	Premiere Piece
8/4/2021	https://youtu.be/3PKgIE51cxl	Municipal Band	
7/29/2021	https://youtu.be/cPW4dtYLo88	Municipal Band	
7/21/2021	https://youtu.be/ZhohWbwYqro	Municipal Band	
7/14/2021	https://youtu.be/ST-4IPesVfE	Municipal Band First Half	
7/14/2021	https://youtu.be/Hv2FnBk8bxw	Municipal Band Second Half	
7/7/2021	https://youtu.be/Xgrk_5bHi_4	Municipal Band	Guest Artists: Great Falls Gospel Choir
6/30/2021	https://youtu.be/1A9MTIp7bwQ	Municipal Band	July Fourth Celebrations
8/13/2020	https://youtu.be/JiocxtzCFCE	Municipal Band Mini-Muni	
8/6/2020	https://youtu.be/htAjw1eDd2g	Municipal Band Mini-Muni	KRTV 3 News
8/5/2020	https://youtu.be/RRcQlhJqm6A	Municipal Band Mini-Muni	
7/30/2020	https://youtu.be/uWlBc9BmbOQ	Municipal Band Mini-Muni	
7/30/2020	https://youtu.be/1X9m3npH1gU	Municipal Band Mini-Muni	
7/30/2020	https://youtu.be/r33PEgai5T8	Municipal Band Mini-Muni	
7/23/2020	https://youtu.be/9i-tid8VP7M	Municipal Band Mini-Muni	
7/22/2020	https://youtu.be/DhSC1zxMlal	Municipal Band Mini-Muni	
7/16/2020	https://youtu.be/GQs82ijCoUw	Municipal Band Mini-Muni	
7/15/2020	https://youtu.be/-vf62LfDtKc	Municipal Band Mini-Muni	
7/2/2020	https://youtu.be/ZpjtBoPzWdo	Municipal Band Mini-Muni	
7/2/2020	https://youtu.be/1REuxKeSVLc	Municipal Band Mini-Muni	
11/24/2019	https://youtu.be/eTaUiJsWUpg	Community Band	
7/11/2019	https://youtu.be/oiupQ92mRes	Municipal Band	
7/9/2019	https://youtu.be/rL-spHaxktg	Municipal Band	KRTV 3 News
7/9/2019	https://youtu.be/Mlx0MLrdrY	Municipal Band	KTVH Helena News



Great Falls Municipal Band

Summer Patriotic Celebration

A Salute to Bud Nicholls

Wednesday · 7:00 pm · June 30, 2021

Conductor: Bud Nicholls · Civic Center

Master of Ceremonies: John Gemberling



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~PERSONNEL~

- Flute:** Joy Geller, Wynter Kelley, Kelley Lind, Jenny Painter
- Oboe:** Sharon Mueller, Lisa Sundquist
- Bassoon:** Dean Zook
- Clarinet:** Jean Annau, Judi Hartman, Chris Kloker, Genevieve Mackey, Sue McNay, Jennifer Skogley, Wendy Weissman, Joyanna Winterrowd
- Bass/Contra Clarinet:** Marcia Bundi, Jessteene Clifford
- Saxophone:** Ron Coons, Bill Furdell, Bob Kampfer, David Langemo, James Mephram, James Schreiber
- Trumpet-Cornet:** Stephan Foley, Kevin Gemberling, Dennis Granlie, Luke Juras, Kurt Mueller, Quinton Schauer, Jeff Skogley
- French Horn:** Robert Gibosn, Hannah Kittleson, Holly Molyneaux
- Trombone:** Joel Bonilla, Phil Burton, Fred Gnojek, Alan Johnson, Adrian Massey, Emily Wicks
- Euphonium:** Dale Hallock, Steve Mueller
- Tuba:** Anne Kittleson, Tom Railsback
- Percussion:** Luke Banks, Bruce Bull, Jack Crook, Linda Fuller-Nicholls, Lana Furdell

~PROGRAM~

- Presentation of the Colors/National Anthem**.....GF Police Department Honor Guard
- Paris Gibson Month Proclamation**.....Commissioner Mary Moe for Mayor Bob Kelly
- Paris Gibson Award Presentation**.....Jay Russell & Norma Ashby Smith
- Great Falls: A City For All Seasons**.....Paula Egan-Wright
- Introduction for the Evening**.....Mary Moe
- Under The Double Eagle**.....J.F. Wagner/arr. Paul LaValle
- Star Spangled Spectacular**.....music of George M. Cohan.....arr. John Cacavas
- How The West Was Won**.....arr. Robert Hawkins
- Amazing Grace/ America The Beautiful**arr. William Himes/ arr. John Cacavas
- Americans We**.....Henry Fillmore

~Special Messages~

- John Gemberling Senator Jon Tester
- Hal Hugg Ike Kaufman
- Erin Nelson Cusack Sherri Schmitz
- Dennis Granlie Todd Nicholls Grant Stebbins

- St. Louis Blues March (as styled by Glenn Miller)**.....arr. Jerry Gray
- Tribute To Irving Berlin**.....arr. Warren Barker
- Drummers Delight**.....Henry Mancini
- Salute to the Armed Services**.....arr. Robert Cray (USAF)
- Stars and Stripes Forever**.....John Philip Sousa
- Montana**.....Charles Cohan



**Pre-concert entertainment by
Miss Linda's Studio Centre**

Young Dancers Company will be selling concessions as a fundraiser

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**Rehearsal Space at Times Square provided by BASS CLEF SCHOOL OF MUSIC
and Programs courtesy of LICINI'S PRINT SHOP**

A Joyous Celebration with the Great Falls Municipal Band and the Great Falls Community Gospel Choir

Wednesday · 7:00 pm · July 7, 2021

Conductor · Bud Nicholls · Gibson Park Band Shell

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Oboe:	Sharon Mueller, Lisa Sundquist
Bassoon:	Dean Zook
Clarinet:	Jean Annau, Judi Hartman, Chris Kloker, Genevieve Mackey, Sue McNay, Jennifer Skogley, Wendy Weissman, Joyanna Winterrowd
Bass/Contra Clarinet:	Marcia Bundi, Jessteene Clifford
Saxophone:	Ron Coons, Bill Furdell, Bob Kampfer, David Langemo, James Mephram
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French Horn:	Hannah Kittleson, Holly Molyneaux
Trombone:	Joel Bonilla, Phil Burton, Fred Gnojek, Alan Johnson, Adrian Massey, Emily Wicks
Euphonium:	Dale Hallock, Steve Mueller
Tuba:	Andre Cuellar, Anne Kittleson, Tom Railsback
Percussion:	Luke Banks, Bruce Bull, Linda Fuller-Nicholls, Lana Furdell

~PROGRAM~

National Anthem	Britta Lee - vocalist
650 East (Concert March)	Wayne Oldham/Jack Hale
Relax!	Paul Yoder
Barnum and Bailey's Favorite	K. L. King
Prayer	
Address by Great Falls Mayor Bob Kelly	
(Two) Selections by Great Falls Gospel Choir	
Beguine For Band	Glenn Osser
Canadian Sunset	Eddie Haywood
Instant Concert	Harold Walters
Address by Helena Mayor Lamont Collins	
Moment of Silence/Remarks	
Selections by Great Falls Gospel Choir	
Celebration tune/When the Saints Go Marching In	Traditional
Montana	Charles Cohan

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Great Falls Municipal Band

Wednesday · 7:00 pm · August 11, 2021

Guest Conductor · Dusty Molyneaux · Gibson Park Band Shell

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~PERSONNEL~

Flute: Chris Kloker, Jenny Painter, Courtney Western
Oboe: Sharon Mueller, Lisa Sundquist
Bassoon: Dean Zook
Clarinet: Jean Annau, Judi Hartman, Genevieve Mackey, Sue McNay, Jennifer Skogley,
Wendy Weissman, Joyanna Winterrowd
Bass/Contra Clarinet: Marcia Bundi
Saxophone: Israel Bonilla, Ron Coons, Bill Furdell, Bob Kampfer, David Langemo, James Mephram, James Schreiber
Trumpet-Cornet: Stephan Foley, John Gemberling, Kevin Gemberling, Dennis Granlie, Kurt Mueller, Jeff Skogley
French Horn: Hannah Bingham, Hannah Kittleson, Holly Molyneaux
Trombone: Joel Bonilla, Phil Burton, Alan Johnson, Adrian Massey
Euphonium: Dale Hallock, Steve Mueller
Tuba: Andre Cuellar, Anne Kittleson, Tom Railsback
Percussion: Luke Banks, Bruce Bull, Jack Crook, Linda Fuller-Nicholls, Lana Furdell, Noah Stimac

~PROGRAM~

Presentation of the Colors/National Anthem.....American Legion Post #3
Sabre and Spurs.....John Philip Sousa
The Teddy Bear's Picnic.....John Bratton
Talk to the Animals.....Leslie Bricusse
Selections from "Mr. Lucky".....Henry Mancini arr. John Krance
The Syncopated Clock.....Leroy Anderson
On the Mall.....Edwin Franco Goldman
Selections from Oliver!.....Lionel Bart
The Tasseled Ceremony.....James F. Rickley
Nobles of the Mystic Shrine.....John Philip Sousa
Looney Tunes Overture.....arr. Bill Holcombe
Montana.....Charles Cohan

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May 12, 2022

To Whom It May Concern:

My name is Wendy Weissman, and I am writing this letter in support of the Great Falls Municipal Band. I perform with the band. I moved to Great Falls, Montana in 1997 not knowing a soul except my husband. Because I played the clarinet casually throughout high school and college, the first thing that I did was join the band. Not only did I receive great musical experiences, I met some great people that I am still good friends with today.

The band serves a need in our community. It not only encourages amateur musicians like me to play an instrument on a regular basis, but also for the audiences to listen to top quality music. I learned during the pandemic how much music feeds a soul and how important it is in life to have it. Even though we could not have full band rehearsals or concerts, I got together with one or two other players on a regular basis, spaced 6 feet apart in a living room, and played duets and trios. That one hour a week was something that I always looked forward to – no matter what was going on around me in the world. That was my safe space.

This band not only satisfied audiences in Great Falls with the music we perform, but it gives satisfaction to the musicians knowing that we are doing something that we love and giving back to our community.

My children were involved in the Great Falls music department and received excellent musical education. Both my children were in All State Band for several years. My daughter joined us in the summer band for a few seasons. For her to perform with such talent was an amazing experience for her. She continued to play in college and still plays in a community band in Columbia Maryland.

I can't say enough about how the Great Falls municipal band changed my life in so many ways. I always look forward to rehearsals so that I can see my friends again, catch up on life, and maybe play some correct notes. The concerts are the icing on the cake for me. I know that the audiences enjoy our free concerts all summer and now the fall and spring. I have one person who is constantly asking me when my next concert is – she can't wait to hear us perform.

In conclusion, this band fills a need in our community – for both the musicians, the audiences and the community as a whole. Please consider your support for this organization too.

Wendy Weissman

To Whom it May Concern

Strategic Investment Grant Request of Video equipment for the Great Falls Municipal Band

My name is Phillip R Burton, I am a member of this, and all it's associated bands. I am requesting that you approve this grant request. After a 30 year hiatus of playing my instrument, I began playing again in 1996 as I approached retirement. After a few years of practice, I was thrilled to become a member of this band, which provides free concerts in the park during the summer months. In addition, the Municipal Band organization also provides support for a winter community concert band, and a community Jazz band. We provide an outlet for our musicians, and our concerts, are enjoyed by members of the local community, and surrounding areas. We participate in the 4th of July Parade, and perform an annual Summer Pop's Concert in our Convention Center, in addition to weekly summer concerts in the Band Shell in Gibson Park. The concerts we provide enrich the music appreciation and participation of the community.

The Great Falls Municipal Band is a 501 C 3 non profit origination of professional and advanced amateur musicians. Since the COVID-19 pandemic, we have all volunteered to provide concerts to the citizens of Great Falls. We are totally supported by donations from the local community. This has severely limited our ability to compensate our musicians, and maintain our equipment.

The Great Falls Municipal Band has been providing free concerts to the local community for the last 128 consecutive years, and we look forward to our 129th year with much enthusiasm. The band has promoted appreciation of the musical arts, in providing an outlet for local professional and advanced amateur musicians, and students. Several of our current members have been in the band since High School, including our recently retired principal musical director who conducted the band for 40 years. The highlight of most musicians in town, is becoming a member of this band. I might add, many of our members are also music teachers who for 11 years in a row have earned top awards by the National Association of Music Merchants, NAMM. Our School Music Department has provided outstanding quality music education to our community. These music educators encourage their advanced students to participate in the various community bands in the area, such as the Community Concert Band, Jazz Band, and Municipal Band. The entire community benefits from the connection of music in the community, and in our schools.

The band records those concerts year round, using an older iPad, recorded by the spouse of one of the band members. The sound and video quality is not capable of capturing the quality of the music being provided. Those videos are uploaded to YouTube for community members, family and friends of the band to enjoy online. A new professional quality camera and sound recording would enhance that.

Yours truly,

Phillip R Burton

301 34th Ave NE
Great Falls, MT 59404

TO: James Rickley, Grant Writer

5.13.22

As a member of the Great Falls Municipal Band, I would like to say a few words about the importance of the "Muni Band" to our community. This organization does a wonderful job of bringing people of diverse backgrounds together to create something of value - bigger and better than our individual selves. Though our country is very divided, our Great Falls community comes together as one people when the Muni Band performs! The Muni Band is vital to the overall health and wellness of our city. For me, our band is a great source of pride, satisfaction, and love for our people.

Our country is suffering greatly during our current financial woes. We are urgently seeking ways to continue to fund our Municipal Band's more than 128 years of uninterrupted performance in Great Falls. In addition to facility rental expenses, our equipment needs are many. These include a new sound reinforcement equipment, sheet music, and replacement of unserviceable percussion equipment.

We appreciate your consideration of our needs to continue our city's great American municipal band tradition.

Sincerely,

TERRY L. KNOWLES
1-406-402-7502



The **Great Falls Municipal Band** started in 1894 as the Black Eagle Band, formed by the town's biggest employer, the Boston Montana Consolidated Copper and Silver Mining Co. The Anaconda Company bought the smelter in 1910. The band then became affiliated with the city. The Band has performed concerts in the Gibson Park for 128 consecutive seasons making it one of the oldest bands in the nation. Over the years, the Municipal Band has been in demand to play for assorted dignitaries, special events and dedication

ceremonies. In the late 1930s the band played at the dedication of the Fort Peck Dam which was attended by President Franklin C. Roosevelt. The band also performed for the visits of John F. Kennedy and Ronald Reagan. Recently, the organization expanded to include the Community Band and the Community Jazz Band, groups whose mission was similar and congruent with the Municipal Band.

The purpose and mission of the Great Falls Municipal Band, Inc. is foster the development in the community of an appreciation of the musical arts, by promoting and producing, or causing to be produced, musical productions and entertainments, and by taking part in activities having that end in view. The organization will also operate concert bands and/or similar ensembles of varying size, to reaffirm the community position in instrumental music, to provide an opportunity for individual musical expression and growth among the membership, and to provide an opportunity for contact and association between and among musicians.