

Optimists Alumni Drum & Bugle Corps

About us

The Optimists Alumni Drum & Bugle Corps is beginning its fifth year. Our membership consists of individuals from as close as Toronto and as far away as Florida. We began as novices, struggled to learn to play our instruments and continue to strive for excellence.

So far our musical arrangements have been mainly ones played by the Toronto Optimists during the 1960s and '70s; however, we are also moving into new and challenging areas.

Our performances have covered a variety of venues including the Waterloo Band Festival, the Toronto St Patrick's Day parade, Toronto Argonaut football games and the 2006 MuchMusic awards.

If you would like to play music and if you are willing to be challenged, please contact us to join.

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OUR MEMBERS

Our corps is open to all interested people, especially those who wish to recall the golden days of classic drum corps from the 50s, 60s and 70s. For a few hours a month, we can relax and have fun, renew old friendships, make new ones and “do a little drum corps.”

Our members come from a variety of backgrounds. About half of our members are former members of the Toronto Optimists or the Seneca Optimists; the rest of us either marched with other corps or have never been in a corps. Some had always wanted to join “The Optimists”, others wanted to beat the Optimists, while others had never heard of the Optimists.

We share an enthusiasm and a joy in entertaining others by playing enjoyable music and being part of an organization of which we are all proud.



WE ARE LOOKING FOR

The majority of our members had not played in 30 or 40 years so most of us have really started from scratch. It's taken effort but it's been enjoyable! Previous experience is NOT required. We are looking for

- both marching members (guard, horns and percussion) as well as support staff
- those who are willing to learn and to contribute
- individuals able to, or willing to, learn to read music.
- those who are able to meet our inexpensive yearly dues and rehearsal fee obligations

REHEARSALS AND PERFORMANCES

- there are two ensemble rehearsals a month as well as optional sectional rehearsals on Thursdays. We expect that members will attend a minimum of one ensemble rehearsal each month
- we expect members to practice at home, between rehearsals
- we expect that members will endeavour to attend all scheduled performances

WE SUPPLY

- equipment
- training

WANT TO LEARN MORE ABOUT US?

- Visit our website at www.optimists-alumni.org
- Visit our photo gallery and, perhaps, take a walk down memory lane www.optimists-alumni.org/photos
- Rehearsals are open to the public. Feel free to drop in and check us out (visit our website to learn when and where)
- Contact Brian Byrne
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HOW TO JOIN US

- Come to a rehearsal (visit our website to learn when and where)
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