



PERCUSSION

TCU Percussion Camp

June 7-8, 2024

Brian West and Jeff Hodge, clinicians

Dear Percussionist,

It is my pleasure to welcome you to the TCU School of Music and the **2024 TCU Percussion Camp!** Jeff Hodge and I have planned two days of complete marching percussion training for all levels – middle school, high school and college. Due to time, we will not actually be marching at the camp, just working on the playing skills used in today's marching percussion ensembles. Students are grouped by ability level to create a positive learning environment that will enhance each performer's skills and improve their overall musicianship. High school students will be grouped together, and middle school students will be grouped together (classes are determined by which grade the student will be entering next fall). We have a large staff of wonderful teachers so we can offer a low student/teacher ratio.

On Friday June 7th registration will begin at 8:00 a.m. See the attached instructions and parking directions.

Most camp events will take place outside (weather permitting) near the new TCU Music Center! Please be prepared to be outside the entire camp. Please bring your own refillable water bottles/jugs, hats, sunscreen, etc.

All meals will be served in the Market Square cafeteria, located inside the BLUU student center. Day campers receive lunch; overnight campers receive lunch, dinner and breakfast.

An exhibition performance for parents and directors will be held on Saturday, June 8th at 4:00 pm. in the Van Cliburn Concert Hall at TCU (inside the new TCU Music Center)!

Although campers will receive a TCU Percussion t-shirt, additional TCU Percussion t-shirts will be on sale at the camp for family and friends.

Other essential items to bring to camp include:

- **Your own instrument** to be instructed on (this includes all battery instruments with carriers, stands, and cymbals.). TCU will not be providing battery instruments for high school students.

If your camper is not feeling well or exhibits COVID symptoms, the Summer Music Institute requests that the camper stay home.

SUN AND HEAT PRECAUTIONS

We strongly encourage participants to bring a hat and sunblock to protect themselves from the sun during their time on the TCU Campus.

All campers will receive a Summer Music Institute water bottle at check-in to ensure everyone stays hydrated.

I look forward to seeing you on Friday, June 7! Thank you again for selecting our camp for your summer music educational experience!

Go Frogs!

Dr. Paul Cortese

Director

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SUMMER MUSIC INSTITUTE

Welcome to the TCU Summer Music Institute 2024!

In preparation for the TCU Percussion Camp, I have provided information below to help make your check-in experience an easy one.

Building Addresses

The TCU Music Center (MSC): 2900 West Lowden Street

Clark Residence Hall: 2950 S. University Drive

Overnight campers: If you are staying overnight in the residence hall, please check-in at Clark Hall first. Check-in begins at 8am. Drop off your suitcase, sleeping bag, etc. and then proceed to the MSC for camp check-in.

Overnight campers need to bring a sleeping bag (or bed linens, extra-long twin), pillow, towel and toiletries.

Day campers: Day campers will check in at the MSC, beginning at 8:00am.

Clark Hall parking is available in the visitor parking lot, located at the end of Bellaire Drive N. MSC parking is available in Lot 15, located on W Lowden Street. You can drop off your instruments at the MSC before parking. Please see the attached map for where these buildings and parking lots are located on the TCU Campus.

If you plan to park a vehicle overnight, please alert one of the counselors at check-in, so you can receive a parking pass. Campers are not permitted to use their vehicles during the day/evening while at camp—only for arrival and departure purposes.

****Please remember to bring your camper's completed Indemnity and Photo Release forms. Campers cannot participate until the completed and signed forms are handed in at check-in. If you need to download it, please visit the SMI website:**

<https://finearts.tcu.edu/music/events-and-programs/summer-camps/>

IMPORTANT COVID AND SAFETY INFORMATION

The TCU Summer Music Institute will continue to follow TCU's COVID-19 protocols and monitor the changing CDC guidelines. Please visit the [Protect the Purple](#) web page for up-to-date information.

If a camper demonstrates COVID symptoms, they will be separated from all group activity and moved outdoors with a camp counselor until a parent or guardian can pick them up. Campers can return to camp if they get a rapid test with a negative result. There are testing facilities available close to the TCU campus. As directed by TCU, the Summer Music Institute will not conduct contact tracing or provide quarantine facilities during camps or workshops.

- If you would like to participate in the front ensemble (pit) class, you do not need to bring a keyboard instrument with you, we will provide these. Just bring your own mallets.
- Those participating in the **middle school class** (will be **in** middle school/junior high next fall) do not have to bring a drum unless you want to, we will provide these.
- **Your own drumsticks or mallets.** This includes snare sticks, tenor mallets, bass drum mallets, timpani mallets, and keyboard percussion mallets. TCU will not be providing sticks/mallets.
- Water bottles/jugs, sunscreen and a hat – unless it rains, we will be outside

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Tentative Camp Schedule

June 7th:

8:00 am	Registration
9:00 am	General meeting for all students inside the TCU Music Center
9:15 am	Full ensemble rehearsal to assign individual classes
10:00 am	Section rehearsals
12:00-1:00 pm	LUNCH (provided)
1:00 pm	Section rehearsals
4:00 pm	Full ensemble rehearsal
5:00 pm	Rehearsal and camp day #1 ends

June 8th:

9:00 am	Section rehearsals
11:30 am	Full ensemble rehearsal
12:00-1:00 pm	LUNCH (provided)
1:00 pm	Section rehearsals
3:00 pm	Full ensemble rehearsal
4:00 pm	Exhibition performance for parents and directors (Inside the Van Cliburn Concert Hall at TCU)

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Instrument Dropoff

Camp Parking

Construction

Music Dorm

Dorm Parking