

Indiana All-State Jazz Choir

June 22-23, 2026

Audition Information
and Application



2026 INDIANA ALL STATE JAZZ CHOIR

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2026 General Information: All-State Jazz Choir will be held at University in Indianapolis. Rehearsals will begin June 22nd and continue on June 23rd with a final concert that evening in the University in Indianapolis Theatre at 7:00 p.m. All-state fees will include FIVE meals starting with lunch on the 22nd and ending with dinner on the 23rd. Fees will also include accommodations in the dorms at the university.

For auditions, we will again be using HEARTOUT. You may either use the website <https://app.heartout.io/> or download the HeartOut App. Follow all directions in the app for your audition.

The audition site opens on January 21st and is open until March 14th.

Sopranos use this code: INAJC26S

Altos use this code: INAJC26A

Tenors use this code: INAJC26T

Basses use this code: INAJC26B

Eligibility Information: The Indiana All-State Jazz choir is open to all students who have completed at least one year of high school choir (summer after their Freshman year) through their senior year (Seniors who have graduated ARE still eligible the summer after their graduation). **Teachers MUST be active members of ACDA in order to have their students participate.**

AUDITION FEES - DUE immediately following final audition date of March 14th.

Please submit one school check for the entire amount due for all students. **No personal checks.**

- Audition Fees - non-refundable
 - School audition fee (based on ISSMA's categorization)
 - Class A School - \$45.00
 - Class B School - \$40.00
 - Class C School - \$35.00
 - Class D School - \$30.00
 - Student audition fee
 - \$15.00 per auditioning student
- Participation Fees - paid by April 24, 2026 for all accepted students.
 - \$220.00 (non-refundable)

Jazz participation fees will need to be paid NO later than April 24!

Music will NOT be sent to the student/school until all fees are paid.

All fees should be sent in ONE SCHOOL or BOOSTER check MADE OUT TO INDIANA CHORAL DIRECTORS ASSOCIATION (ICDA) to:

**Jeffrey Reinert
All-State Jazz Choir
22294 Fireside Drive
Goshen, IN 46528**

TIMELINE OF EVENTS/PROCEDURES

- 1) **January 21st** -HeartOut opens for auditions to be recorded
- 2) **March 14th** - HeartOut site closes for auditions.
- 3) **March 25th** - Audition and School Fees are due
- 4) **Week of April 6th**: List of accepted students will be emailed to their choral director and posted on the ICDA Website.
- 5) **April 24th**: All participation fees (\$220) for members are due
- 6) As soon as fees are received, music will be sent to the school for the director to distribute to all-state jazz members.

All students should be learning the music throughout May and June, preferably working with their choral director or private voice teacher. Music **MUST** be learned and memorized prior to all-state in June!

June 22-23: All State Jazz Choir Rehearsals and Final Performance held at the University of Indianapolis . A specific timeline of events for that day will be sent by email in June.

The concert will be open to the public and by FREE.

****Custom made letter jacket patches for all-state jazz can be purchased separately on June 22-23rd for \$20 each.***



Christine Guter

Christine Guter (Helferich) is a jazz vocalist, pianist, and studio singer with a full, rich voice of great range and versatility. Christine has worked with many legendary musicians including Joe Williams, Rosemary Clooney, Diane Schuur, Maynard Ferguson, Mercer Ellington, Lionel Hampton, Mel Torme, Bobby McFerrin, and Darmon Meader.

Christine is currently the Director of Vocal Jazz at the Bob Cole Conservatory of Music at California State University Long Beach. She teaches private jazz and classical voice lessons, a solo jazz vocal techniques course, class jazz piano, jazz theory, and directs the university's award-winning vocal jazz ensemble, Pacific Standard Time.

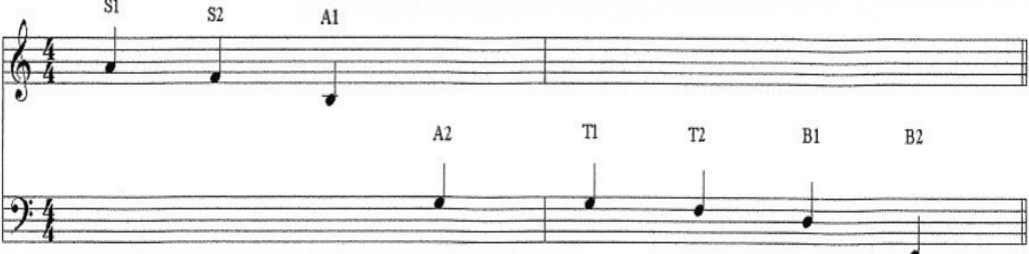
Christine has worked extensively in studio settings and has sung on over 40 Hollywood soundtracks including *Dawn of the Planet of the Apes*, *Despicable Me 2*, *Oz the Great and Powerful*, *The Lorax*, *Men in Black 3*, *Ice Age 4*, *Superman Returns*, *Beowulf*, *Horton Hears a Who*, and *Spiderman 3*.

An extraordinary educator, Christine is active nationally as a guest conductor, lecturer, adjudicator, and clinician. She has presented many clinics, performances, and demonstrations for music education organizations and conferences, and has conducted numerous All-State Jazz Choirs. Christine is on the board for the California Alliance for Jazz (CAJ), and serves the California ACDA as Vocal Jazz R&S Chair.

2026 Indiana All-State Jazz Technical Exercises and Song


- Assigned starting pitches are for **Major Scale Only**.
- Chromatic Scale may be started on ANY comfortable note.
- Blues Scale may be started on ANY comfortable note
- All scales can be sung on neutral syllables, numbers, or Solfege.
- The song "All of Me" may be sung a cappella or with piano accompaniment. It may also be transposed into ANY comfortable key!

Starting Pitches for Major Scale




Major Scale

Do in assigned key by voice part




Chromatic Scale

$\text{♩} = 106$ Do in a comfortable key



Blues Scale

sing in swing style $\text{♩} = 106$ Do in a comfortable key



2026 All-State Audition Song ("All of Me")

- May be sung a cappella or with piano accompaniment.
- May be sung/transposed in ANY comfortable key.

ALL OF ME
(NJPAC WELLS FARGO JAZZ FOR TEENS - ENSEMBLE PLACEMENT) SEYMOUR SIMONS/GERALD MARKS

(MED. SWING)

The musical score is written in 4/4 time with a key signature of one sharp (F#). The tempo is marked as (MED. SWING). The score consists of a vocal line and a piano accompaniment line. The vocal line includes lyrics and is marked with measure numbers 1 through 31. The piano accompaniment includes chord symbols and is marked with measure numbers 1 through 31. The score is divided into two systems of staves. The first system contains measures 1 through 15, and the second system contains measures 16 through 31. The lyrics are: "ALL OF ME WHY NOT TAKE ALL OF ME, CAN'T YOU SEE I'M NO GOOD WITH - OUT YOU. TAKE MY LIPS I WANT TO LOSE THEM, TAKE MY ARMS I'LL NE - VER USE THEM. YOUR GOOD - BYE LEFT ME WITH EYES THAT CRY, HOW CAN I GO ON DEAR, WITH - OUT YOU. YOU TOOK THE PART, THAT ONCE WAS MY HEART, SO WHY NOT TAKE ALL OF ME."

Adjudication Form

Voice Part _____

Major Scale Pitch Accuracy (5) _____

Chromatic Scale Pitch Accuracy (5) _____

Blues Scale Pitch Accuracy (5) _____

Scales Total (15) _____

Solo (*All of Me*)

Tone quality (10) _____

Intonation (10) _____

Jazz Style/Interpretation (10) _____

Vocal Technique (Breath control, etc.) (10) _____

Solo Total (40) _____

Grand Total _____ /55

Verified: _____

Comments:

Judge's Signature: _____

ASJC AUDITION APPLICATION 2025

SUBMIT THIS FORM TO jreinert@elkhart.k12.in.us PRIOR TO UPLOADING YOUR AUDITION INTO HEARTOUT

STUDENT NAME _____

Circle Vocal Part(more than one can be selected): S-I S-II A-I A-II T-I T-II B-I B-II

High School _____

High School Address _____

City _____ ZIP _____

Student Email: _____

Choir Director's Name _____

Director's Email: _____

School Phone (____) _____

The **\$220** participation fee is due by April 24, 2026 **and is non-refundable**. If accepted, I agree to the Rules and Responsibilities of the All-State Jazz Choir.

STUDENT SIGNATURE _____

PARENT SIGNATURE _____

CHOIR DIRECTOR'S RECOMMENDATION

I recommend the above student and approve his/her participation in the Indiana All-State Jazz Choir.

I must be a current member of ACDA/ICDA [throughout the All-State process from the time of auditions through the performance.

ACDA/ICDA Membership # (from ACDA Membership Card) _____

Expiration date _____

DIRECTOR SIGNATURE _____

Indiana Choral Directors Association
2026 All-State Jazz Choir Medical Form
All-State Members...Please scan and email to Jeff Reinert as soon as possible!
(jreinert@elkhart.k12.in.us)

This form is to be completed by the parent/legal guardian of the participant. Thank you for printing clearly.

Participant's Name _____ Age _____

Participant's Birth Date _____

Address _____ City _____ Zip _____

Comments, special problems, allergies, daily medications (over the counter and prescription – include dosage directions)

Parent/Legal Guardian's Name _____ Phone # H (____) _____

W# (____) _____ Cell Phone # (____) _____

Address (if different than above) _____

Physician's Name _____ Physician's Phone # (____) _____

Name of Insurance Company _____

Group or Policy Number _____

In case of emergency, please list the name and phone number of those people who should be contacted, in the order in which they should be contacted.

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

_____ has my permission to receive medical attention in the event of illness or medical emergency while participating in the ICDA All-State Jazz Choir from June 22-23, 2026. I will assume all financial and liability responsibility for any cost of health care for my child that may occur while participating in the ICDA All-State Jazz Choir (rehearsals, performances, and the overnight stay).

Date

Parent/Legal Guardian Signature

All-State Jazz Choir Rules and Responsibilities

ICDA Policies:

- I must be a member of my school choir for the entire school year.
- I will pay my **\$220** participation fee by mail, and submit my health form by email upon being notified of my acceptance to (jreinert@elkhart.k12.in.us). **NO music will be sent until the participation fee has been received.**
- I will attend at least one of the scheduled rehearsals BEFORE coming to all-state (to be announced at a later date)
- I understand that it is my responsibility to master and memorize the music prior to coming to all-state. I understand that part tracks will be provided for me.
- I understand that if I cannot participate in ASHC for whatever reason, there are **no refunds.**
- I will notify my teacher and Jeff Reinert (the all-state jazz chair) immediately if circumstances prevent me from participating in the choir.

All-State Responsibilities:

- I will have a black folder and a pencil for all rehearsals.
- I will be on time to all scheduled events.
- I will provide my own attire to wear during the concert. (you will receive this information separately)
- I will behave in a manner that befits the honor of participating in the choir and will treat others with respect at all times.
- I understand that I will NOT be allowed to use/drive my personal car from arrival on the 22nd of June until after the concert on the 23rd of June. Personal cars will remain overnight at the University in Indianapolis parking lot.
- I understand that, in the dorms, no students of the opposite sex are to be in each other's dorm rooms at any time. I will be allowed to play board games, etc. in the hotel commons area. I will remain in my dorm room starting at 10:30 p.m. (or the time that is given to me by all-state chaperones) until breakfast in the morning and will observe all hotel rules for quiet hours in rooms/hallways, etc.
- I understand that I am responsible for any damage or costs assessed by the college to my dorm room.
- I understand I will be responsible for bringing all bedding, towels, shampoo, etc. since we will be staying in the dorms.

I understand and will abide by the ICDA All State Jazz Choir rules and responsibilities.

Student Name / Signature

Date