



Feel the excitement as your students give the most memorable musical performances of their careers. Your group will have the opportunity to entertain thousands of guests during an experience they won't soon forget. Busch Gardens Tampa Bay's SoundWaves music performance program offers some of the most unique performance venues in the world and the perfect performance venue will be selected to showcase your group's talent.

A dedicated coordinator will organize your group's performance, making it easy and fun. In order to meet all of your needs, group packages are available which include private picnics, sleepovers and much more. Busch Gardens invites your band, choir, or orchestra to join our prestigious team of SoundWaves graduates.

Busch Gardens is the ultimate adventure, featuring an unparalleled combination of exotic animal encounters, world-class thrill rides and live entertainment. One of the country's premier zoos featuring more than 2,000 animals, live shows, restaurants, shops and games, Busch Gardens provides unrivaled excitement for guests of every age.

If your group would like to be considered for a Busch Gardens music performance, please complete and return this application form and include your group's audition video and photo so that we may begin planning your group's performance of a lifetime. We look forward to receiving and reviewing your group's application and audition materials.

### **Guidelines**

- ♪ Groups are required to submit a completed application, non-returnable photo and non-returnable VHS/DVD video of a recent performance, preferably ten minutes in length or more. Please ensure selections in video are comparable to performance your group plans for Busch Gardens.
- ♪ Photo should contain participants in performance attire.
- ♪ Video should showcase group's musical performance.
- ♪ All show material must be secular due to our international audience.
- ♪ Groups may not perform any music pertaining to the Walt Disney World Company or its affiliates.
- ♪ Groups are required to have a minimum of fifteen performers and purchase a one-day Busch Gardens park admission and dining certificate.
- ♪ Busch Gardens requires that the performance group's show material be approved by Busch Gardens' Entertainment Department prior to the group's performance date at Busch Gardens.

### **Uniforms**

- ♪ School uniforms or performance attire is required for performances. Matching shirts with collars and matching pants are permitted with prior approval from Busch Gardens' Entertainment Department.
- ♪ Performance attire is limited to scheduled performances and we request that a group's performance attire not be worn within the park.
- ♪ Mascots are not permitted as they may conflict with Busch Gardens' characters.



### Venues

Busch Gardens' Entertainment Department will select the perfect location in the park to showcase your group's talent.

### Equipment

Busch Gardens' will provide the following equipment:

- ♪ CD player with sound system
- ♪ Limited number of wireless microphones

Upon receiving your application, you will be contacted by a Busch Gardens representative. The Busch Gardens representative will discuss and set your performance date, time and performance venue. In addition, the Busch Gardens representative will communicate the meeting location and time of arrival. We will select the area that best displays the talent of your group and best suits our daily show schedules. It is imperative that you have all performers dressed and ready to perform.

Approximately 5-10 minutes before your performance, your group will be moved to the staging area. Once your group has entered the park and is in full view of our park guests it will be expected that everyone behave in a professional manner.

It is very important to remember once a performance time is scheduled the group must be on stage and ready to begin on time. This is to assure there will be no interference with the park's already scheduled shows. Remember, our park guests depend on our shows beginning and ending on time because of how they planned their day. If for any reason your group is unable to meet the expected show time, their performance could be cancelled.

After your group's performance, everyone must quickly and professionally exit to change out of their performance attire and prepare to enjoy the rest of their day at Busch Gardens!



**Application**

Group Name: \_\_\_\_\_

School/Organization Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Director's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Would you like us to contact you through email? Circle: YES or NO

Type of Group: *Select one category*

- Concert Band
- Concert Choir
- Show Choir
- Jazz Ensemble
- Marching Band
- Swing Choir

Number of Performers (minimum of 15 performers required): \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Chaperones: \_\_\_\_\_

Performance Date Requested: *List dates in order of preference*

1.) \_\_\_\_\_ 2.) \_\_\_\_\_ 3.) \_\_\_\_\_

Previous Theme Park performances: Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

If Yes: List Park(s) and Date(s): \_\_\_\_\_

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Travel Planner (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

Travel Planner Representative: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Travel Planner Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please send your group's completed application information to:  
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