



## The Georgia Brass Band Seeks a New Conductor

**About the Georgia Brass Band.** The Georgia Brass Band (GBB) is a vibrant, traditional British-style brass band that has entertained audiences in the Atlanta area and throughout Georgia and the Southeast for 25 years. Along the way, the all-volunteer ensemble of skilled amateurs and seasoned professionals has performed before hundreds of audiences, competed in national competitions, including multiple North American Brass Band Association (NABBA) Championships, and recorded several albums.

The GBB's season typically runs from August through June, with rehearsals one evening per week. (When preparing to participate in competitions or other special performances, the frequency of rehearsals increases.) The group performs 8 to 12 concerts per year, competes in national competitions, and collaborates with other ensembles for special performances and events.

To see the GBB in action, [click here for a brief video!](#)

**Conductor Search.** After 25 years at the baton, our founding conductor is stepping away at the end of the 2023-24 season, so we are in search of a new volunteer (non-paid) conductor (or co-conductors). Our next conductor(s) will build on our tremendous successes and tradition of excellence, continue to challenge us to grow musically, and enhance our mission as a community band.

The ideal candidate will bring these qualities, experiences and skills:

- Experience as a brass band performer and/or conductor, with knowledge of brass band repertoire and performance practices.
- Passion for brass banding, a vision for making brass band repertoire relevant for existing and new audiences, and a commitment to participating in brass band competitions, music conferences, and similar performance opportunities.
- Demonstrated abilities as a rehearsal and performance conductor who will collaborate closely with band members to select repertoire, recruit new band members through auditions, and foster a supportive and inclusive environment.

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- Proven track record of recruiting musicians through strong relationships with band directors, music schools, college-level student performers, and free-lance professional musicians.
- Committed to the promotion of the band throughout the community.
- Willingness and ability to effectively work with a co-conductor, if more than one candidate is selected.
- Resides in the Atlanta area.
- Fundraising experience is a plus.

**Search Timeline** (subject to change). The preliminary consideration of candidates will conclude by the end of July 2024, with finalist auditions (rehearsals and performances) occurring from September through December 2024. Final selections will be made on or before December 31, 2024, with the new conductor(s) starting no later than January of 2025. The role may involve a trial period.

**To Be Considered for this Position.** Please send the following **by April 15, 2024**, to Rob Rickles, GBB board president, at [robrickles@gmail.com](mailto:robrickles@gmail.com):

- C.V. (Resumé)
- Brief statement describing your interest in the conducting position
- Links to videos of you conducting brass bands or other ensembles (if available)