



Auditions for 2010 – 2011

RED DEER ROYALS

Central Alberta's Concert Band and Marching Show Band



The Red Deer Royals is truly a band with a difference. Known for quality instruction, variety of repertoire, and originality of presentation, this unique band program trains young instrumentalists and colour guard members in the performance of traditional and contemporary music in concert, parade, and field show settings. The Red Deer Royals provides a dynamic life skill experience for youth 12 to 21 years. Qualified, experienced artistic staff ensure that this program is the best of its kind. The Royals Band has 120 members.

The award winning Red Deer Royals have many impressive accomplishments to their credit:

- In July 2009 we received Silver medals in the World Music Contest and the World Championships for Marching Show Bands in Holland.
- In July 2008 we were the top marching band in both the Calgary Stampede Parade and the Capital Ex (Edmonton) parade.
- In July 2006 we traveled to Australia for a 17 day tour. We were also the top marching band in Edmonton's Capital Ex Parade.
- In July 2005 we received a Gold award for our field show performance in the Alberta Centennial Show Band Competition and were the top band in Edmonton's Klondike Days Parade.
- In July 2003 we traveled to Monza, Italy for "Worlds". We won an international class "First Prize" Gold Medal.
- In the summer of 2001 we won a Gold Medal in the World Championships for Marching Show Bands in Potsdam, Germany.
- In the past many years the Royals received Superior Band Awards at local and regional concert band festivals.

The Royals have also received repeat Gold Medals at MusicFest Canada, our national concert band festival. They have performed with the Red Deer Symphony Orchestra and have provided entertainment for Grey Cup celebrations, the World Masters' Games, the Canadian Brier, the World Junior Hockey Championships, the Silver Buckle Rodeo, Spruce Meadows equestrian events, and many other prestigious events.



Royals in Rothenberg Town Square, Germany

Touring is an integral part of the Royals experience. The Royals program provides an opportunity for regional, national, and international touring. Recent and future tours are:

- 1998 World Show Band Competition, England & France
- 2001 World Marching Show Band Competition, Germany
- 2003 World Marching Show Band Competition, Italy
- 2006 Performance Tour to Australia
- 2009 World Championships, Ireland, Germany, Holland
- In the summer of 2011 we will be travelling to Malaysia to participate in the World Championships for Marching Show Bands in Kuala Lumpur. Kuala Lumpur is a modern world class city and Malaysia is a safe, exciting and interesting country. (Think jungles, mountains, beaches, tea plantations, skyscrapers – and friendly people!!)



Red Deer Royals members are chosen by audition and represent thirty schools in communities throughout Central Alberta. Although most members are from Red Deer, our members have also come from Olds, Didsbury, Innisfail, Sylvan Lake, Rimbey, Caroline, Blackfalds, Bentley, Lacombe, Ponoka, Rocky Mountain House, Delburne, Stettler, and Bashaw. Any young person aged 12 through 21 may audition for the Royals program as a brass, woodwind, percussion, or flag (colour guard) performer. Instrumentalists should have a minimum of 2 years playing experience. No experience is necessary for colour guard, but experience in dance or gymnastics would be an asset.

Rehearsals are held Wednesday evenings from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m., September through June, at Westerner Park. We have 10 expert instructors on our staff. The Royals also have professional clinics and rehearsals at Camp Caroline each October and rehearse one or two Saturdays a month from February to July to learn the choreographed field show – similar to the half time show at a football game.

- Tuition: \$550 per year - generally less than the cost of piano lessons! The fee includes use of our uniforms (valued at \$700) and a free Royals leatherette music folder. Colour Guard members get use of a parade uniform and a field show uniform and all equipment. Installment plans are available and there is a Family Rate.
- Additional uniform requirements, which may be reused each year:
 - Royals "flag" travel jacket: \$60. The Band pays the other \$50.
 - Drillmaster marching shoes: \$60. Bow tie: \$15.

Final round of auditions for 2010/11 will be held on Wed., Sept. 1 at 5:30 p.m. at Westerner Park in Red Deer.

Call 403-343-2079 now to reserve your audition time!

**Check out our video on youtube.com
Enter "Red Deer Royals Recruitment".**

Join "The Royals Experience".



Royals at Erenstein Castle, Kerkrade, The Netherlands

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