



London Massed Bugle Band at the 2025 Lord Mayor's Show

Dear all,

We are delighted to once again be participating in the Lord Mayor's Show on Saturday 8th November 2025. Our number in the processional order will be confirmed. Please read and note the details for the day:

Meeting point

We will be meeting at Wesley's Chapel, 49 City Road, London EC1Y 1AU. Please follow instructions/directions to our designated room, will be available from 7:30am. Please ensure you arrive by 8:15am at the very latest.

Transport

Travelling up by public transport is recommended. The nearest Underground stations are Old Street for the Northern Line or Moorgate for Metropolitan, Circle and Hammersmith & City lines.

Uniform

Uniform must be as stated on the LMBB website at <https://lmbb.org.uk/uniform>. If it is particularly cold, extra layers underneath shirts are advised. All hair must be tidy and, where long enough, tied up.

We **will not** be wearing hats but **will** be wearing white gloves for this event. If your members require gloves, please let me know an approximation of numbers as soon as possible.

All band members will need to wear BB or GB waterproof jackets as appropriate unless it happens to be unseasonably dry and warm on the day. The jackets are as follows:

BB: <https://shop.boys-brigade.org.uk/shower-jackets-2527-p.asp>

GB adult sizes: <https://girlsbrigadetrading.com/collections/adults-uniform/products/gbu15314>

GB child sizes: <https://girlsbrigadetrading.com/collections/children-and-young-peoples-uniform/products/gbu15306>

Previous heavy duty LMBB jackets, cagoules or any jackets other than the above may not be worn - no exceptions. If your band does not have the correct jackets and cannot purchase them for any reason, then please let me know as soon as possible.

Everyone must wear a poppy as it is Remembrance weekend. We will have a very limited supply but please try to ensure that your young people are all wearing one. Poppies should be worn on the left side of the jacket collar.

All instruments need to be spotlessly clean and all side drummers will require clean, white drag ropes.

Band members may wish to bring a spare change of clothes (including shoes) in the event of wet weather. The show will go ahead come wind, rain or shine - it has never been cancelled because of the weather - so dressing correctly and appropriately for the conditions is important.

Forming up

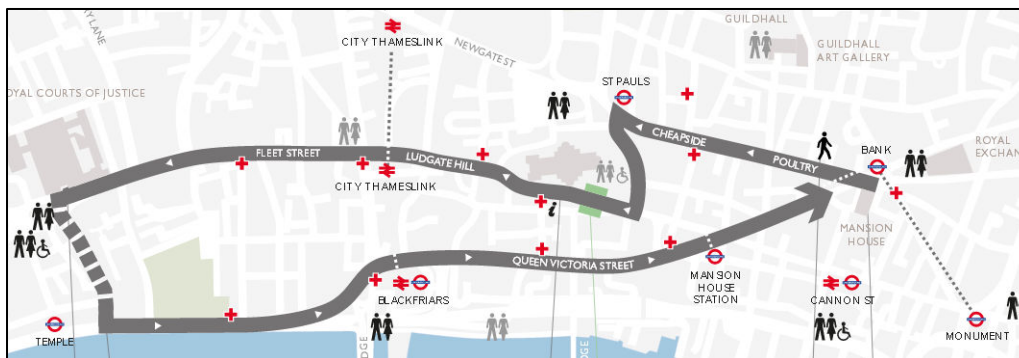
Once we have formed up, we will march to the Rotunda assembly area. We need to be there before 9:00am.

Light refreshments of tea, coffee and a cake or sticky bun will be served. Toilets are also available; this will be the last opportunity for a 'comfort break' until we stop for lunch.

It is vitally important that members listen to instructions given out upon arrival at the Rotunda. Members must be ready to form back up at the time stated - anyone who is not back in time will be left behind! We will then move off from the Rotunda along with the other bands and be filtered into the procession.

The route

Below is a map of the route the show will take. We will be stopping halfway (dotted line on the left-hand side of the map) for lunch. We are kindly provided with a light lunch which is normally a sandwich, packet of crisps, drink and a sweet snack. Please advise of any dietary requirements (e.g. vegetarian) as soon as possible so we can ensure everyone is catered for.



For more details please visit the Lord Mayor's Show website at <https://lordmayorsshow.london>

Repertoire

Our repertoire for the day will consist of the following pieces:

Main playlist

2x3 The Herald
1x5 Grenadiers
1x7 Great Escape
1x5 DS No 1
2x3 Bugler
1x5 DS No 2
1x7 Scotland the Brave
1x5 Grampian Hills
2x3 Shamrock
1x5 DS No 1
1x7 Dam Busters
1x5 DS No 3
2x3 Anchor Hymn
1x5 DS No 2
1x7 Scotland
1x5 Grampian Hills

Mansion House

2x3 Anchor Hymn
1x7 Scotland the Brave
1x5 DS No 1

Mansion House is the location of the BBC TV cameras on the first leg. As we approach the corner a signal will be given to finish whichever piece is being played at the end of the phrase and go straight to 2x3 Anchor Hymn (which may be more than twice through - listen and watch for instructions!). We will then play through the above list and then go back to the top of the main playlist.

We particularly encourage everyone to look happy at this point, as you could be being broadcast to millions of people on live TV!

Printed playlists will be given to each member on the day.

Band Training Afternoon

We will be holding a Band Training Afternoon on Sunday 19th October 2025 from 2pm to 4:30pm at Orpington Baptist Church, Station Road, Orpington, BR6 0RZ. We will be going through our repertoire and routine for the show - although it is not compulsory to attend this to be a part of the show, please make every effort to be there where possible.

Any questions

If you have any questions ahead of the event, please contact me on tom.boorman@boys-brigade.org.uk

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