



**THE 2016 UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS
RAZORBACK MARCHING BAND
COLOR GUARD AUDITIONS**

**SATURDAY, APRIL 16TH
8:00 A.M. – 3:00 P.M.
BANDS.UARK.EDU**

**BASKETBALL PRACTICE FACILITY
WOMEN'S COURT
1201 LEORY POND DRIVE
FAYETTEVILLE, AR 72701**

The RMB Guard is a vital part of the Razorback Marching Band. The Guard provides not only visual entertainment on the field and in the stands, but carries the spirit, pride and tradition of the University of Arkansas wherever we may go. The RMB Guard has the opportunity to perform for one of the largest audiences in the SEC and across the country. Whether it's at home at Reynolds Razorback Stadium, or on the road, performing for our fans is a rewarding and unforgettable experience. The members of the RMB Color Guard take great pride in representing ourselves, the band, University, and the best mascot in the SEC any chance we get. Thank you for your interest in the RMB Guard, and good luck to our 2016 prospective members! GO HOGS!

Color Guard Auditions

Prospective members should be prepared to demonstrate the following skills at a high level of execution:

- Drop Spins, left and right side.
- Drop Spins sliding left and right while high marching down field.
- Carves (egg-beaters, figure 8's), left and right side.
- Thumb Flips at tab and top reference tape, left and right side.
- Pull-hits (port spins) straight up and down and at port.
- Singles (three-count tosses) left and right.
- Single 45 toss.
- Standard Double.
- Excellence in body control and spinning while moving.
- Weapon technique and auditions will be held during summer camp.

Prospective members will receive a tutorial video covering the fundamentals as well as the Arkansas Fight Song Chorography via e-mail after their completed application has been returned to the school and acceptance to the University is confirmed.



Registration

Registration will begin at 8:00 a.m. at the Frank Broyles Athletic Center. During registration, we will be taking measurements for uniforms, photos for reference during the audition process and completing any applications that have not been fully submitted. Please submit an application by visiting the RMB Band's website at bands.uark.edu

Auditions

The audition process will be broken down into two sections. The first will be a full group audition covering basic technique, movement and our traditional pregame choreography. The group will also be taught a short piece of choreography that will be used in one of the fall half-time performances. This choreography will be performed in small groups for the judges. Applicants should treat the entire day as an audition.

Attire

Please wear all black, form fitting, dance attire and supportive tennis shoes or jazz shoes. Refrain from wearing clothing that utilizes logos, images, or text. Let your performance help you stand out, not your attire.

Appearance

Hair should be pulled back away from the face in either a high pony or bun. Performance day make-up would be preferred. The RMB Guard typically performs with a silver and black smoky eye and Clinique "Red-y to Wear" lipstick. Please note that visible tattoos must be covered for all performances. Earrings will be restricted to one pair of large round crystal or imitation earrings. All other piercings must be covered or switched with a clear stud. Nail polish is not allowed during performances with the RMB. Hair must be a color that exists naturally. For questions regarding appearance expectations, contact the director at the information below.

Summer Camp

The RMB Guard will have a summer training camp July 7th-10th in Fayetteville. This camp is required for all members and will be used to get a head start on training, choreography and working as a team. Conflicts with summer camp should be communicated as early as possible. Any member unable to attend camp should plan on starting the season as an alternate until they have proven they have learned all the information covered at camp.

Scholarship Opportunities

Each member of the RMB Color Guard will receive a stipend of \$500 each season. This stipend will be treated like a scholarship and awarded via the school's financial aid system.