

# **Bass**

The Rhythm Section delivers high energy, engaging performances by providing the foundation for our Rockbands and Showbands. The Rhythm Section is comprised of Bass, Guitar, and Keys. The Rhythm Section, along with 1-2 vocalists, performs live sets covering a wide range of pop music from the 60s through today while also performing customized playlists for special events and holidays. In addition, select ships utilize all of parts of the Rhythm Section to provide additional musical support for production shows, variety entertainers, branded events or in conjunction with other musical acts on board.

- Advanced individual musical proficiency in tone, technique, articulation, dynamics, and phrasing.
- Advanced improvisational skills.
- Experience performing pop music from the 1960's through today.
- Moderate to advanced proficiency in reading musical notation.
- Ability to learn music by ear.
- Ability to perform from memory.
- Ability to stand and move while performing.
- Backing vocalist experience preferred.
- The ability to extend beyond a performer into an entertainer.
- Applicable experience in wedding or bar bands, pit orchestras, and similar commercial music ensembles.
- Fluent proficiency in the English language with advanced English diction skills.

# **Audition**

- 1. Walk this way, Aerosmith Count off: 4 clicks//Start at: beginning//End at: end
- 2. Wild nights, John Mellencamp Count off: 8 clicks//Start at: beginning//End at: end
- 3. For once in my Life, Stevie Wonder Count off: 8 clicks//Start at: beginning//End at: end

In total, you will perform three (3) full songs for the audition. You can find original recordings with the assistance of any major digital music service such as iTunes, Google Play and/or YouTube.

#### **Audition Instructions:**

- 1. Please download the MP3s from the Dropbox folder https://drive.google.com/open?id=0B7Xgd6Gz6Cj-ZUhCY2xGN1JwTzg
- 2. Practice with the tracks and when ready,
- 3. Video record yourself playing along with the tracks, then
- 4. Post this video, or videos to YouTube

# What are we looking for?

- Strong skills that emphasize your knowledge and experience with commercial music and techniques found in modern pop and rock repertoire.
- The ability to extend beyond a performer into an entertainer!
- Ability to replicate and cleanly perform all original grooves in the most musical manner

# Due to health and safety the following is required.

- A BMI (Body Mass Index) of under 30.
- An approved pre employment medical exam, including drug test. (This is completed on confirmation of a position)
- Respect for rules on board regarding zero tolerance policies.
- o Zero Tolerance Policies include Guest Fraternization, Theft, Drug Use, Alcohol Abuse, Harassment, Fighting, and Tampering with Safety Equipment.
- Where applicable, a C1/D visa and Police Background check may be required.