



MUSIC IN THE PARK 2015 PERFORMANCE INVITATION

Dear Music Directors:

We are gearing up for the 5th annual “**MUSIC IN THE PARK**” (MITP) **MUSIC FESTIVAL**, which is held in the historic West End Community! Music in the Park offers performance opportunities for outstanding middle school and high school students who enjoy playing all types of music. We invite your students and/or ensembles to partake in this musical experience and help make our 5th annual concert the biggest event of Spring 2015!

Music in the Park is proud to center our purpose and beliefs on the idea that *music* is an important component towards the development of well-rounded youth. The purpose of MITP MUSIC FESTIVAL is to create a musical experience that is unlike the traditional classroom setting.

On April 19, 2015, student musicians will have the opportunity to perform side-by-side with professional musicians from all over the world and perform music that will be fun, challenging and engaging. Some of our previous world renowned musicians have included: **Chris Dave, Otiel Burbridge, Deantoni Parks, Kofi Burbridge and Lil John Roberts** to name a few.

Participation Options (Full Details):

#1 - Ensembles (jazz bands, concert bands, orchestras, and full orchestras) can perform at various time slots on April 19th. Feel free to perform music of your choosing. Traditional and non-traditional music are welcome. If you are interested in your ensemble taking the stage as a featured group, please complete the [Ensemble Participation Form](#) attached to this document. Email your completed form to: STRINGMOBMITP@HOTMAIL.COM. After the ensemble performance, students will move to the Main Stage and perform in the finale with the MITP ORCHESTRA. The Main Stage event will combine **all** performers (professionals, students and directors).

#2 - Individual musicians in grades 7th through college level, are invited to perform in the **Music in the Park Orchestra (MITPO)**, which is not your traditional band/orchestra set up. Students can expect to learn and perform exciting and “funky” music that will incorporate various genres. Our guest conductor will be **Maestro Miguel Atwood-Ferguson** from Los Angeles, California. You must register by



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completing the [Student Participation Form](#). Return completed forms via email to: STRINGMOBMITP@HOTMAIL.COM. Students must be committed to attending 3 rehearsals leading up to the big day. The rehearsal dates and location will be announced at a later time. However, please do mark on your calendar our mandatory dress rehearsal date on Saturday, April 18th. Location and time: TBA.

During the big event, we welcome all participants to invite their family & friends to attend and enjoy the festival. There will be opportunities for shopping, food and fellowship. You can expect an audience of 1,500 or more at our annual event; and for the second year we are collaborating with **Atlanta Streets Alive** and **The Atlanta Jazz Festival**, which will make this year even more exciting!

Check out some of our previous participants! Is your school represented here?

B.E. Mays H.S.; Tri-Cities H.S.; Westlake H.S.; Sandtown M.S. and Washington H.S.

We look forward to your participation this year! Thank you for your time and interest.

Sincerely,

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