

Welcome to the 2019 Season of The Awesome Second Time Arounders Marching Band!

Welcome aboard all new, returning, and current flag line members! It's going to be an amazing Spring Season and we are excited to be selected to perform in the 2019 Macy's Thanksgiving Parade. This parade will be seen by over 3 million people along the parade route in New York City and over 50 million viewers on the television broadcast. It is truly an honor to have been selected to march in Macy's for the second time. Now the challenge is for us to provide the best possible visual product that we can -the bar has been raised and the expectations are high- and we will work hard to deliver a performance that will be memorable.

2019 Flag Line Leadership

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What To Expect

Some of you are new to the Second Time Arounders' experience and may wonder, "What does it take to be a part of the 2019 Flag Line?" Hard work, a positive attitude, commitment and attendance are our minimum requirements. *It has been stressed over and over by the organization that ATTENDANCE is critical; we don't have that many rehearsals together and it is important that everyone is there.* Eight in the Spring Season and six in the Fall for Macy's.

The Flag Line requires solid equipment execution that will get the audience's attention. We will be focused on precise, clean equipment work; being counts behind or ahead is not an option in front of a television audience of 50 million people. Here are some techniques that you will need to have in place prior to the start of regular rehearsals:

- Order Arms
- Right Shoulder
- Drop Spins
- Double-fast Spins
- Sweeps
- Butterflies
- Rowing forward & backwards
- Right Slam
- Left Slam
- 45 degree angles all four directions
- Ice Cream Cone to Stir the Pot
- Box Drill
- C-1

To familiarize yourself with these mandatory moves, please view Lisa's YouTube video:
https://youtu.be/1qW_WyiVYq8

You are also required to:

- Demonstrate 32 counts of our routine on your own without following anyone
- Display excellent showmanship
- March in Step-this is not negotiable
- Have the capacity to march for at least three miles

The expectation is that you are a skilled performer with a solid background and that you will bring strong equipment technique and skills to each and every rehearsal.

Equipment

When season starts, a Practice Flag will be provided for you to borrow. Flags must be returned to our Lead at the end of season. *It's your responsibility to take excellent care of flags. A damage replacement fee will be paid by any member who does not return flags in excellent condition.*

Upcoming Flag Line Events

We will begin scheduling monthly Skill Building sessions in late September. If you are not proficient or comfortable with the skills listed, the sessions will be your chance to get up to speed and develop them. The Flag Line Leadership will avail themselves to anyone needing help; do not hesitate to contact them. PLEASE UNDERSTAND, this is not training for the Macy's Flag Line. At this time, no one is guaranteed a position in Herald Square, even if stellar with all requirements during practice.

Uniform for Spring Season

Rounder's Auxiliary Shirt – approx. \$20 available to purchase before Coliseum practice
Grey's Anatomy Active Pants model# 4276 color 23 Indigo – approx. \$27 to \$35
ALL White Tennis Shoes
White Socks
White Sure Grip Gloves – approx. \$6

Macy's Uniform to be revealed at Holiday Party and cost is \$170

Thanks so much for joining The Awesome Second Time Arounders Marching Band! We look forward to seeing everyone very soon. The March toward our Spring Season and Herald Square has begun.