

Oregon Crusaders Indoor Sponsor Letter

Dear _____,

My name is _____ and I am sending this letter to you to let you know that I have been selected as one of the premier performers for the Oregon Crusaders Indoor Independent Percussion Ensemble. OC Indoor is a select group of percussionists that are working together to send the Northwest's best to the Winter Guard International Championships in April and represent our region nationally. I have made it through the audition process and I am now rehearsing in preparation for our 2010 competitive season. We are a member of WGI (www.wgi.org) and we tour and compete throughout the region and country during the winter months. The experience I am preparing for is truly a life building one.

If you are not familiar with our organization and the activity in which we are involved, I would like to take just a minute of your time to tell you a little about it. OC Indoor is part of the Oregon Crusaders organization, a 501c3 non-profit youth performing arts organization that also includes the Oregon Crusaders Drum and Bugle Corps. OCI consists of over 30 musicians between the ages of 16 and 22, who come from the Northwestern region. We are truly a homegrown group and we are interested in furthering not only our own musical and performance education, but the education of the entire NW area. OC Indoor is providing us this opportunity.

This is our second year in operation and we are the only independent indoor percussion group in our region. Last year, OCI won both the Northwest Championships and WGI World Championships in its first season of existence. The education and experience I will receive is of the highest possible caliber. I am proud to be part of this unique group of people. OC Indoor makes it possible for local percussionists to learn and perform at the highest level without having to relocate to another part of the country. This ultimately helps to nurture and retain the talent level of our region. Being a member of OC Indoor will allow me the opportunity to receive instruction from some of the top music educators in the country, and perform in front of tens of thousands of people this spring. By remaining local, I will also continue to contribute to the education of our local young musicians.

Of course, being part of such an organization does not come free, and that is one of the reasons I am writing this letter to you. Each member of OC Indoor is required to raise \$1450 for touring fees. These fees cover all of our food, transportation, music composition, show design, equipment, rehearsal facilities, registration fees, and housing during our season. We will travel to Dayton, Ohio in the spring as well as several regional competitions. It also helps to cover the cost of our uniforms, instruments, and six months of musical and visual instruction.

OC Indoor has established this individual sponsorship program for its members. I would really appreciate any assistance that you may be able to provide. Although it would be wonderful if a full sponsorship were possible, I am not asking for \$1450. All I am asking for is a small amount to help me achieve my goal. Please help me continue on my journey towards becoming a highly trained percussionist, experienced performer, and community contributor.

Please use the bottom portion of this letter to make your contribution.

Thank you for your time, consideration, and support.

Sincerely,

OC Indoor Member

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OC Indoor Member Sponsorship

Yes, I would like to sponsor a portion of the tour fees for member _____.

Enclosed, please find my sponsorship donation in the amount of \$_____.

Please make checks payable to Oregon Crusaders Indoor, and return it with this form to the address below.

Sponsor's Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Telephone: _____

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