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## **We rock! Portland Marathon has more on-course music than any run in the world**

**PORTLAND, Ore.—25 Sept. 2008—**This year, the Portland Marathon will have more on-course entertainment than any other marathon in the world, even more than the Rock N' Roll marathon series. On Sunday, Oct. 5, the 37<sup>th</sup> Portland Marathon will host more than 70 live musical groups at 63 locations, including cheerleading teams, two big band acts, a Dixieland jazz band, Japanese drumming, marimba music, and many excellent R&B groups, just to name a few. See below for our full Sunday line-up.

### **2008 Marathon Music List**

Mile 1: Last Regiment drum corps; Wood Vibrations marimba band; lounge diva Tasha Miller; Japanese drumming of the Portland Taiko drum team; Blues with Rachel Fishman; bluegrass with Cindy Lou Banks; rock from JR Sims and Texas Special; Spanish music from Alex Llumiquinga; Big Band sound of the Carrol Rauhm Swing Orchestra; jazz from Jeffrey Kirsch and the Rainmakers; Lincoln High School Cheerleaders; iPod selections

Miles 2: Elizabeth Nicholson on the harp.

Mile 3: The Eagle Ridin' Papas play the blues; McMulligan's Pipes and Drums Scottish music.

Mile 4: Marimba music with Zimba; Spanish music from Alex Llumiquinga; Big Band sound of the Carrol Rauhm Swing Orchestra; jazz from Jeffrey Kirsch and the Rainmakers; Columbia Adventist Bell Choir

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Mile 5: Blues with Rachel Fishman; bluegrass with Cindy Lou Banks; and rock from JR Sims and Texas Special; Lincoln High School Cheerleaders.

Mile 6: Trio of Ben Band plays jazz.

Mile 7: The Trailblazer Groove Machine plays drums, Rhythmmistas add their percussion; Jazz with the Voxanova and the drums of Anima Bahkti.

Mile 8: iPod selections from the aid station volunteers; Christian rock of Praise Team.

Mile 9: Latin sounds of Ritmo Tropical; Cleveland High Cheerleaders.

Mile 10: Christian rock of Praise Team; iPod selections from the aid station volunteers

Mile 11: The Trailblazer Groove Machine plays drums, Rhythmmistas add their percussion; Jazz with the Voxanova and the drums of Anima Bahkti; Cello soloist Laurie Presthus; Big Ban sound of Art Abrams.

Mile 12: Teenage blues/rock heartthrob Daniel Saunders and sidemen; Alternating set of blues and jazz from Sugar Bandit; Gary Jones and Chuck Johnson.

Mile 13: Wilson High Cheerleaders.

Mile 14: Jazz with Sean Gilbert and the Wayward Trio and Clarinetwerk.

Mile 15: Disc jockey with favorites old and new\Mile 16: Saxophone music from Quartette Barbette; African music from Chata.

Mile 16: Jazz by the Rose City Ramblers; rock from Adam & Kris; Diggabone.

Mile 17: Disc jockey Kevin Huck; Marimba music by Born on Tuesday and Dancing Out Loud.

Mile 18: Alternative rock with Paul Summers and rock with Wheeler, Walker, Pounder; iPod selections from the aid station volunteers; Kate and Company sing folk/blues.

Mile 19: The belly dancers of Dancers Northwest; Classical quartette led by Debra Brown and indie rock from Paige Parker and the Orbiters

Mile 20: Jazz with the George Mitchell Trio; Dixieland jazz with the Pat O'Neill Band; Lincoln High School Cheerleaders

Mile 21: The George Rosewick Group on accordion; The Coos River Band plays jazz; the Robert Richter Band plays violin folk rock and Pilar French and the Intention play pop; Wild Thyme plays Irish folk, Lorah Lonac plays bluegrass; and Luann Ritts plays country; Haldeman's Oom-Pah Boyz play traditional German music; Jefferson High School and Franklin High School cheerleaders offer lots of spirit and funk.

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Mile 22: iPod selections from the aid station volunteers; Jazz of Mike Van Liew and rock with the Last Rodeo Band; Folk rock of Ron Shaffer.

Mile 23: Stephanie Schneiderman — folk rock; White rhino play marimba rhythms.

Mile 24: Latin jazz with Samba Soleil, country with Lisa Miller and Her Kin, rock with Renee Plant and the Guize

Mile 25: Rock with the Billy Hagen Band and Monica's Dress; Cheerleaders from Benson, Grant, and Central Catholic High Schools; Blues with Rachel Fishman; bluegrass with Cindy Lou Banks; and rock from JR Sims and Texas Special.

Mile 26: How about some Pavarotti for that last push to the finish? Opera DJ plays your favorite arias & solos! Spanish music from Alex Llumiquinga; Big Band sound of the Carrol Rahm Swing Orchestra, jazz from Jeffrey Kirsch and the Rainmakers.

Now, that's a lot of music! Family and friends are encouraged to come see and hear the on-course entertainment while they cheer on participants. To learn more about the Portland Marathon, please visit [www.portlandmarathon.org](http://www.portlandmarathon.org) or contact Les Smith at [lsmith@bullardlaw.com](mailto:lsmith@bullardlaw.com).

The Portland Marathon, a non-profit organization that started in 1971, is one of the largest events in Portland. The event is organized and executed by more than 4,500 volunteers, and attracts more than 12,000 participants each year. The event donates more than \$150,000 of its revenue to local non-profits and charitable groups. The event has recently received national attention for being one of the first "green" marathons, and also for continuing to be one of the only remaining MP3-player friendly distance running events in the country. For more information, visit [www.portlandmarathon.org](http://www.portlandmarathon.org), e-mail [news@portlandmarathon.org](mailto:news@portlandmarathon.org), or call (503) 816-3777.

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