



2015 General Membership Information

- Registration will be open on Monday, October 6, 2014.
- All 2015 events will be in a prelims/finals format.
- Membership is open to any scholastic or independent ensemble that is in good standing with circuit fees. Membership for each ensemble is \$500 and non-members may enter any show at a fee of \$100 per contest. Non-members will not be allow to participate in GIPA Circuit Championships. This event is reserved for members of the GIPA.
- **Member applications and fees are due by Monday, December 15, 2014.** Any applications submitted after this date are subject to a \$75 late fee.
- GIPA members must attend a minimum of 2 regular season shows to qualify for GIPA Championships.
- Membership includes:
 - ▶ Entry into all regular season GIPA shows
 - ▶ Entry into GIPA Championships - provided the 2 show minimum has been met
 - ▶ 8 staff passes provided by the show host
 - ▶ 2 Director badges provided by GIPA
 - ▶ One band director from each competing unit will be allowed into any show with their school issued identification card. A list will be given to show hosts and the band director may receive a pass at Unit check-in at each regular season show.
- All ensembles must have the following forms complete and submitted to GIPA by the dates listed. Failure to do so may result in removal from registered shows.
 - ▶ **Forms due by DECEMBER 15, 2014**
 - ▶ Insurance Requirements (Independent Ensembles Only)
 - ▶ Scholastic Eligibility Letter (Scholastic Ensembles Only)
 - ▶ Non-Liability, Consent and Release Form (All participating ensembles)
 - ▶ Code of Conduct (All participating ensembles)
 - ▶ **Forms due by MARCH 2, 2015**
 - ▶ Permission to Arrange (If using copyrighted material in your show)
 - ▶ Original Composition Form (If using original music in your show)
 - ▶ Public Domain Form (If using music that is listed as public domain in your show)
- Mail all forms and fees to: *(make checks payable to Georgia Indoor Percussion Association)*

Georgia Indoor Percussion Association
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(classifications on next page)

- GIPA will offer the following classifications for the 2015 season:
 - ▶ **Middle School/Novice/Non-Marching skill sets:**
 - Non-Movement
 - Scholastic Marching Cadet A (middle school students only)
 - Scholastic Novice Marching
 - ▶ **Basic skill sets:**
 - Scholastic Concert A
 - Scholastic Marching A
 - Independent Marching A
 - ▶ **Intermediate skill sets:**
 - Scholastic Concert Open
 - Scholastic Marching Open
 - Independent Marching Open
 - ▶ **Advanced skill sets:**
 - Scholastic Concert World
 - Scholastic Marching World
 - Independent Marching World
- If you are unsure of what class is best suited for your ensemble, please email the circuit at gipacircuit@gmail.com and we will help you choose the best classification that will allow your students to achieve success.