MARCHING BAND



SKULL SESSION

NOVEMBER 7, 2026

MICHAEL JACKSON II

WE WELCOME OUR SPECIAL GUEST:
Upper Sandusky High School
under the direction of Jason Morris

DOTTING THE "I" TODAY:
Mitchell Ewaska
Chardon, OH // Business Finance and Financial Planning

PROGRAM

Fanfare for a New Era ..... Swearingen
Entrance of the Ohio State Buckeyes
Navy Hymn ..... Whiting & Dykes, arr. McCoy

Pregame

Buckeye Battle Cry | Traditional Ramp Entrance ..... *Crumit, arr. Heine*
The Star Spangled Banner ..... *Key, arr. Heine*
Mighty Oregon ..... *Gilbert, arr. Perfect*
Le Regiment de Sambre et Meuse | Script Ohio ..... *Planquette, arr. Heine*
Chimes and Carmen Ohio ..... *Heine & Evans, Cornell, arr. Heine*
Across the Field ..... *Dougherty, arr. Heine*

Halftime: *Michael Jackson II*

Drill design: Christopher Hoch
Music arranged by: Andrew Markworth, Mark Reynolds (percussion)

Wanna Be Starting Something / Black or White ..... *arr. Markworth*
PYT / Smooth Criminal ..... *arr. Markworth*
Earth Song ..... *arr. Markworth*
Thriller / Beat It ..... *arr. Markworth*
Across the Field ..... *Dougherty, arr. Heine*

TODAY'S MUSIC ARRANGER

Andrew Markworth is a composer, arranger and consultant who writes for marching bands, indoor percussion, winds groups and drum corps all over the world. He is currently the music director for Rhythm X Percussion, the three-time WGI Independent World Gold Medalist. Markworth was the music arranger/coordinator for the Crossmen Drum and Bugle Corps from San Antonio, Texas, from 2015-20 and the front ensemble arranger/coordinator for Carolina Crown from 2007-14. He is a Yamaha Performing Artist who currently resides in Centerville, Ohio, with his wife, Kara, his daughter, Natalie, and his son, Brady.

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Drum Major	Ben Fox
Assistant Drum Major	Jacob Snyder

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SKULL SESSION LIVESTREAM

Text "THRILLER" to 644678 to enter for a chance to win an Official Ohio State Flag! Official Promotion Rules: go.osu.edu/flag-giveaway

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THE OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY MARCHING BAND FEATURED EVENT

THE 2026 HOMETOWN CONCERT // NOVEMBER 20, 2026 MERSHON AUDITORIUM

Join The Ohio State University Marching Band for our annual Hometown Concert, held this year at Mershon Auditorium on Ohio State's campus on Friday, Nov. 20. The Best Damn Band in the Land will entertain fans with selections from its popular halftime shows, fan favorites and traditional Ohio State tunes.

Find out more at **go.osu.edu/hometown26**

