



Rainbow City Drumline Information

Rainbow City Drumline (RCD) has been the beating heart of Seattle parades for over twenty years! We march and perform in festivals across western Washington, such as Seattle Pride, as well as play throughout all OL Reign home soccer matches from March to October.

RCD is the official drumline for Rainbow City Performing Arts (RCPA) ensembles like Rainbow City Marching Band (above left) and Reign City Riot (above right). RCPA's mission is to create diverse and inclusive musical ensembles that promote and support the LGBTQIA+ community. For many of our musicians, these bands provide a safe space to openly be themselves and make like-minded friends. We also provide an opportunity for musicians to dust off a previously played instrument or even learn a new one. RCPA is open to musicians at any skill level, provided they can read music and are age 18+. In RCD, we have a long history of helping musicians gain their first drumline experience or explore drumline instruments they always wanted to try but haven't yet.

RCD features 4 snares, 2 quads, 4 bass drums, and 2 cymbals for full-band performances. Instruments, equipment, and uniforms are provided. Rainbow City Marching Band performs 10 songs each summer, and Reign City Riot performs up to 15 songs as a full band in pre/post/halftime shows. Separately, the Drumline has its own book of 40+ patterns played during Reign games and 1-2 cadences for marching. Most music does not need to be memorized for performances.

Drumline members attend rehearsals for both the marching band and Riot, as well as several Drumline-only rehearsals throughout the season. Full-time members who can commit to a majority of performances and rehearsals are strongly preferred, but part-time players are accepted.

Our first two rehearsals in January and February are opportunities for any potential new members to come to an open play with returning members and give RCD a try. The official roster and music book for the year will be set in March.

For more information about RCD, contact John Arrowsmith at drumline@rainbowcityband.com.