



Facts about the organization

Organization	The Lesbian & Gay Big Apple Corps (LGBAC)
Founded	1979
Performers	More than 100 members of the lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender (LGBT) community, and their friends, located in the New York City metropolitan area. Members and volunteers fulfill the mission of the LGBAC as musicians, baton twirlers, color guard, banner carriers, and band aides.
Ensembles	Symphonic Band Spectrum Jazz Band Pep Band Marching Band Apple Fritters Color Guard
Musical Genres	New and traditional symphonic band literature, orchestral transcriptions, Broadway show tunes, audience favorites, and standard marching band repertoire.
Mission Statement	Our mission is to provide the lesbian and gay community with a supportive and friendly environment for musical and artistic expression and, through performance, to promote social acceptance, equality, and harmony for all. We welcome interested individuals of all orientations to come see for themselves how artistic dedication within a social environment can create quality entertainment that pleases, educates, and challenges us to grow.
2010/11 Symphonic Band Venue	Peter Norton Symphony Space 2537 Broadway at 95th Street New York, NY 10025-6990
2010/11 Symphonic Band Performances (8:00 p.m. curtain)	12.04.2010 <i>Come Follow the Band: From Mendelssohn to The Beatles</i> 04.30.2010 <i>Once Upon a Time: Stories, Myths and Legends</i>
2010/11 Marching Band Parades	09.26.2010 Marriage Equality National Wedding March 10.31.2010 NYC Children's Halloween Parade 06.26.2011 NYC Heritage of Pride Parade 07.03.2011 Toronto Pride Parade
Affiliations	Lesbian and Gay Band Association Association of Concert Bands

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Administration Two part-time artistic staff members under contract
Seven-member volunteer board of directors
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Administration \$47,906 annual budget

- 30% Performance Fees
- 49% Public Support
- 21% Member Contributions

The LGBAC is a 501(c)3 organization.

Honors

- 2008 Best Marching Band – Harrisburg, PA
- 2007 Best Marching Band – Asbury Park, NJ
- 2007 Liberty Award for Visibility and Pride–
American Veterans of Equal Rights
- 2006 Best Walking Unit – Providence (RI) Pride Parade
- 2005 Drumline Award for Best Cadence – NYC Heritage of Pride
- 2005 Boombox Award – Queens (NY) Pride Parade
- 2004 Best Marching Band–Montclair(NJ) July4th Parade
- 2004 Proclamation from Mayor Michael Bloomberg
- 2004 Proclamation from Manhattan Borough President C. Virginia Fields
- 2003 Best Foot Contingent – DC Capital Pride Parade
- 1993 Performance at Inauguration of President Bill Clinton
- 1989 Proclamation from Manhattan Borough President David Dinkins
- 1989 First LGBT organization to perform for a sitting U.S. President
- 1987 Only LGBT organization in Statue of Liberty celebration
- 1980 First openly gay ensemble to perform at Lincoln Center

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