

FAQ

Jam For Change FAQ

What's Going On?

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Where And When?

- 6pm to 10pm on Saturday May 24, 2025
- [Music City SF at 1355 Bush St \(@ Polk\)](#)
 - Main Stage / Front Door

The Rules Of The Jam

1. We're here to have fun and share music with friends. Cheer each other on, appreciate each other. Applaud for that shredding solo or soaring vocals. Let folks know they rock!
2. We're performing live, unrehearsed, without a net. Sometimes magic happens – and sometimes train wrecks do too. It's cool, we've all been there. Just pick it back up and keep rolling. All good.
3. It's not about you – even when you're center stage. Chill, don't be a jerk.
4. Don't mess with the equipment without checking with the sound guy first. Use the pedals and amps provided by the bands. Got a special something you want to use? Check in advance!
5. Most importantly – put yourself out there and have fun. Let the world see your amazing self!

*Remember, we're all on the path.
Be excellent to each other.*

How To Sign Up For A Jam Slot

Three bands you know and love (**Strawberry Jealous**, **Mongomaniacs**, and **SuperBloom**) will be performing as the main acts. Bands will be doing dual duty – performing 5 of their songs together, and then acting as backing band for 5-10 karaoke songs.

Interested in playing with them? Here's what you do!

- Go to this [signup form](#)
- Select a **band** to perform with, and a **song** on the **instrument** of your choice
- You can choose more than one, but you'll probably only get one!

When signups close on Sat 4/26, we'll confer with the bands to pick the songs. If one of your songs is picked, we'll send you an email. You'll then reply with a receipt for a \$25+ donation to one of the organizations. You'll have a month to practice your song, and so will your backing bands!

How To Attend

Since this is a fundraiser with an open invite list, **please sign up for tickets in advance!**

- Signup at: <https://events.humanitix.com/jam-for-change>
- Tickets are **free**, but please donate to one of the listed causes.
- Let us know how much you pledged so we can tally the total raised!

Invite Your Friends!

This jam is open to everybody! Seriously, everyone! Invite your friends, your neighbors, your neighbor's friends and your friend's neighbors!

- [Send them this awesome flyer](#) (thanks, Gina!)
- Have them sign up at: <https://events.humanitix.com/jam-for-change>
- Ask them to donate to one of our causes

How To Donate

Jam For Change is a fundraiser for organizations championing rights and principles we all care about. We're aiming to raise **\$5,000** for the following causes. Click on the link to be taken directly to their donation page.

- [ACLU](#). The ACLU is leading the charge with direct legal actions challenging the administration's unconstitutional and illegal actions in the areas of abortion, immigrants' rights, racial justice, transgender rights, and voting rights.

- [HRC](#). The HRC is protecting the rights of LGBTQIA+ individuals with policy, education, and direct legal action.
- [Indivisible](#) is committed to mobilizing millions into the streets to directly challenge the current administration's illegal actions and bring about systematic change.
- [NAACP](#) is the nation's oldest civil rights group, and has been leading the fight for racial justice, voting rights, and equal opportunity for more than a century.
- [Planned Parenthood](#) has been leading the fight for women's health and reproductive freedom for decades.

We're trying to track how much this event raises. If you donate money, please let us know via your ticket purchase, karaoke signup, or by emailing jam-requests@lbtband.com. Thanks!

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Q: Forms make my head spin. Can I sign up some other way?

A: Yes! You can send email to jam-request@lbtband.com, or you can text or call me at +1-415-425-3743. Be sure to choose [from this list](#).

Q: I don't like any of these songs. Can I request others?

A: Yes, but keep in mind that the bands have final say.

Q: Can the song be shifted to a different key?

A: Maybe! Again, it's up to the bands to decide what they can handle.

Q: Can I donate to a different organization?

A: Yes – but we'll want to confirm it's aligned with the spirit of the event. Make your suggestion in the signup form, and we'll get back to you!.

Comms

Jam For Change: Comms

To	jam-request@lbtband.com
Cc	
Bcc	jam@lbtband.com
Subject	Signups Are Now Open For A Very Special Jam!



Do you love music? Freedom? Democracy? Then join us on **Saturday, May 24, from 6pm - 10pm** to celebrate all three!

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Ready to rock out? [Signups are here](#), or contact jam-request@lbtband.com. FAQ & other deets available [here](#).

Signups close on Sat 4/26, and space is limited. Sign up now!

Rock On!
Zenkai and John

Brainstorming

Jam For Change Plans

Logistics

Event Theme

Overall theme is "Fight for your Friends, Family, and Freedom". Goal is to build hope, optimism, and energy by connecting people around music. Vibe is upbeat, friendly, participatory – but also patriotic, determined, and forceful. America is about personal freedom, equality, and open doors. United together with our friends & families, we will prevail.

Political Fundraising

Goal of this Jam is to raise \$5K for various political activism groups.

No cover, but attendees will be asked to make a donation at the door. Suggested amount \$20. Honor system / donate-what-you-can, no static if folks don't make a donation.

We want a big party crowd, so attendance will be open to anyone. Bands will be encouraged to get their fans, friends, and family to attend.

Bands will help promote the fundraising efforts in two ways:

- When making their donation at the door, folks will be asked if they were invited by a specific band. ("No, I'm just here for the Jam" is an OK answer.) We will track which band brought in the most donations.
- Band karaoke slots will be auctioned off with donations. Suggested minimum donation is \$20 (on top of attendance), although folks will be encouraged to donate more if they can. To promote inclusiveness, the auction will not be done as a "bidding war". Instead each band will be expected to fill a minimum of 5 karaoke slots, but can have as many as 10 (or more)?
- Total number of donors will be tallied for each band. Winner will be announced at the end of the Jam. Award is having their awesomeness recognized in front of the crowd.

Possible charities:

- Indivisible
- ACLU
- Planned Parenthood
- Climate Science Defense Fund
- NAACP
- Lambda Legal

- ProPublica
- HRC
- CAIR

Political Education

Use the forum to help educate people – gently! – on a few important topics. Post information on the walls and/or have "one-pager" fliers available for people to read. Ask each band to make a short "hey, this is something that we think you should know about" talk as part of their set.

Possible topics:

- Signal and keeping your information safe
- Project 2025 / DOGE / Network State
- Limits on executive power
- Know your rights (if detained, or you see illegal police actions)

Required reading for political education:

<https://reframingamerica.substack.com/p/do-not-associate>

Sound / Event Planning

Equipment:

- Mixing handled by Music City. Jam Sound Techs are welcome to "help".
- equipment
 - Drum kit + bass amp provided by Music City.
 - Other amps + mics as per standard Jam.
 - Keyboard TBD.
- Karaoke players can bring their own instrument, or borrow the band's.
 - No swapping amps / pedals / mics.

Timeline (initial proposal, still tbd):

- Load-in: 5pm
- Bands start: 6pm
- Set length: 60 - 75 mins, plus 10 min switchover.
- Event ends: 10pm
- Loadout finished by 11pm

Karaoke details:

- Bands provide list of 10+ songs they are willing to play
 - People can request their own songs, but suggested donation in \$40+
 - Bands can veto requests.
- People can request karaoke for any part: vocals, guitar, bass, keys, drums, etc.

- Open question – should we have song signups in advance (as per jam0, on live-on-the-fly?
 - Option #1: Signups for karaoke spots are expected 2+ weeks in advance of event. Bands and people practice their songs beforehand.
 - Option #2: Bands are expected to be ready to cover any of their "songs they can play" on the fly.
- Only swap in 1-2 people per song.
- Nail down cover list 3+ weeks in advance. Bands are expected to practice & be tight.
- Make repeated announcements that we're performing "without a net", don't expect perfection.

Other:

- DJ spinning before, after, and between sets.
- Overall MC for event: zenkat