

# Tunes in the Terminal – Music at OAK



Enrich the travel experience with live music at Oakland San Francisco Bay Airport (OAK)



## Why Perform at OAK?

- Share your music with thousands of travelers
- Highlight the vibrant Bay Area arts scene
- Promote your social media and streaming platforms

## Benefits & Guidelines

- Free airport parking during performances
- Accept tips via QR Codes
- Performances must be family-friendly and follow airport guidelines
- Musicians must pass security clearance
- Scheduling available mornings, afternoons, evenings and weekends



## How to Apply?

**Option 1:** Complete the online Busker Program Application.

**Option 2:** Download and mail the paper application to:

**Oakland San Francisco Bay Airport-**

Attn: Visitor Information Program

1 Airport Drive, Box 45, Oakland, CA 94621

✉ Email applications and audio/video samples to:

**[WeHelpYouFly@portoakland.com](mailto:WeHelpYouFly@portoakland.com)**

# Tunes in the Terminal – Regulations & Requirements

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## Program Overview

The **Tunes in the Terminal program** highlights Bay Area musicians and performers, enhancing the traveler experience with live music. Performances are scheduled across terminals during peak periods, holidays, and special events.

**Performing is permitted at the Oakland San Francisco Bay Airport subject to the following terms and conditions:**

- To be considered, all performers must audition either in person or by video. A team of Port of Oakland management, staff and/or tenants will determine who will be permitted to perform. All Port of Oakland decisions are final.
- For an appointment to audition, please contact **Lakita Spencer** at **WeHelpYouFly@portoakland.com** or visit our website at **www.iflyoak.com** and submit your request from the Volunteer at OAK page at **https://www.iflyoak.com/business/getinvolvedatoak**. Another option is to submit your request on our website using the contact us page at **https://www.iflyoak.com/business/contact-us/**
- Performers must complete an application, submit audio/video music samples by email to **WeHelpYouFly@portoakland.com** along with a live audition if permitted to perform as a part of the Tunes in the Terminal program.
- Your completed paperwork and music submissions will be reviewed and you will be contacted by email or phone to schedule a live audition. Failure to arrive on time for the audition may result in rescheduling to the following month.
- Performers will be under **Tier Two of the Oakland San Francisco Bay Airport's Volunteer Program**. Performers will be issued an on-airport parking permit for use during performances, and are entitled to other program benefits including mileage to and from OAK. Unlike the volunteer program, shift stipends will not be given since performances are limited to 120 minutes. Other perks may be considered based on the total number of performance hours per month or if performers are requested to perform post-security or special performances.

- The Airport reserves the right to video tape or photograph performances which will be used solely for purposes of educating the public about the program.
- For safety and security reasons, all performers must be vetted by Airport Security. Once approved to perform by the audition team, all members must submit their legal names and dates of birth and will be contacted regarding security clearance prior to the first performance.
- Performances will be limited to individual or musical groups. Religious, faith-based music, by law, is prohibited. Language considered to be profane or disrespectful by Port management is also strictly prohibited and if used will be cause for termination of the privilege to perform.
- Safety and Security are always our first priority, and no performance may interfere with normal business operations and one violation will cause termination of the privilege to perform.
- Performers are considered buskers are not paid, but rather may accept tips.
- Performers must be clean-cut, and wear business casual attire. Jeans are allowed, but performers may not wear tank tops or scruffy clothing that may be offensive to the average traveler.
- Only one performance can take place in one Airport Terminal at a time. All performers will be held accountable for cooperating with other performers who may entertain before or after any performance.
- Performances must be limited to 120 minutes.
- Special performance locations have been designated and sidewalks, hallways, entries to Airport businesses, walking paths, and security checkpoints, must not be blocked by either performers or their audiences.
- Normal business practices must never be jeopardized. Airport management defines normal business practices. Performers must cooperate immediately with any request of any member of the Alameda County Sheriff's Department, other security representatives or Port of Oakland management.
- The security, safety or comfort of others must not be jeopardized. The wishes of internal and external customers must be respected particularly in regards to loudness of performance. Performers must always refrain from requesting OAK customers to cheer or yell.
- In the interest of public safety, any item that could not safely be approved to go through a security checkpoint as outlined by the Transportation Security Administration must not be used.

- Musicians are not permitted to sell recordings of their original work during their performance, rather, may give away CDs with what they consider an adequate tip. No other sales are permitted.
- Amplification is not permitted in the Airport at any time.
- No performing is permitted after 11:00 p.m.
- The Airport is responsible for generating an Airport Bulletin the day before or the day of any performance.

Any performer's failure to comply with the above guidelines will result in closure of the Airport's elimination of the performance arts program for everyone. The Oakland San Francisco Bay Airport maintains the right to change or amend these conditions at its discretion at any time. Your suggestions on making busking work for performers, customers and staff are welcome. You may contact us with your suggestions by going to our website at <https://iflyoak.com>. Go to Contact us and submit your suggestion. You will receive a reply the next business day.

## Application for Volunteer Program

Enrich the travel experience with live music at Oakland San Francisco Bay Airport (OAK).

Thank you for your interest in performing as part of the Tunes in the Terminal program at Oakland San Francisco Bay Airport. This program showcases talented musicians who help create a welcoming and memorable atmosphere for travelers.

Performance opportunities are available in both Terminal Baggage Claim areas. Performances can be scheduled seven days a week in two-to-four-hour increments from 8 am until 11 pm.

Please return your completed application to:  
Lakita Spencer, Visitor Information Program Coordinator  
One Airport Drive, Box 45  
Oakland, CA 94621  
or by email at [WeHelpYouFly@portoakland.com](mailto:WeHelpYouFly@portoakland.com)

Please note: Completion of an application does not guarantee acceptance into the Airport Buskers Program.

### Please Print

**Name**

**Submission Date**

**Birthday (Mo./day/year)**

**Gender**

- Female**     **Male**  
 **Non-Binary**  
 **Prefer not to say**

**Phone**

**Cell Phone**

**Email**

**Address**

**City/State/Zip**

## Application for Volunteer Program

Have you ever performed at Oakland  
San Francisco Bay Airport?

Yes       No

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## Performer(s) Questionnaire

How did you learn about the Buskers program at Oakland San Francisco Bay Airport?

Circle available day(s) and frequency, and check performance period(s) preferred:

Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat/Sun

Mornings

Afternoons

Evenings

**How Often:** Month, Semi-monthly, Weekly

Other:

## Application Submission Instructions

**Thank you for your interest in performing at the Oakland San Francisco Airport.  
We look forward to seeing you perform at our airport!**

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