



YOUTH TRUMPET & TAPS CORPS

“serving with musical gifts”

WE TRAIN, SUPPORT, AND RECOGNIZE HIGH SCHOOL TRUMPET PLAYERS WHO USE THEIR MUSICAL GIFTS TO HONOR MILITARY VETERANS.

The Youth Trumpet & Taps Corps is a service organization for high school trumpet players who use their musical gifts to honor military veterans. Our main project is volunteering to play Taps at veterans’ funerals. Many veterans receive an audio recording of Taps because there are not enough military trumpet players to attend every funeral and we believe that veterans’ final honors are more worthy of a live rendition of our National Song of Remembrance.

OUR FOUNDER: KATIE PRIOR

The Youth Trumpet & Taps Corps Association is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization founded by Katie Prior. Katie is a trumpet player with Oklahoma Youth Orchestras and Oklahoma Homeschool Bands. She has been recognized as a Girl Scout Gold Award recipient, a White House Champion of Change, a US Cellular Future of Good Youth Champion, and the inaugural recipient of the OklahomaStandard® Award.



FUNERAL DIRECTOR HOTLINE (725) 222-9882



EMAIL Volunteer@TrumpetAndTaps.org



OUR SERVICES

- ✔ Taps at Military Veterans’ Funerals
- ✔ Patriotic Music at Community Events Honoring Veterans
- ✔ Taps Training for High School Trumpet Players
- ✔ Recognition & Awards for Youth Volunteers

JUNE 11, 2014

YTTC founded by Katie Prior as her Girl Scout Gold Award.

SEPTEMBER 26, 2014

First 10 volunteers trained in Del City, Oklahoma.

JANUARY 1, 2015

Trumpet & Taps Day proclaimed by Oklahoma Governor Mary Fallin: “YTTC offers a unique opportunity for young musicians to express their patriotism and gratitude through volunteerism.”

JUNE 15, 2015

Youth Trumpet & Taps Corps Association officially becomes a 501(c)3 non-profit organization.

AUGUST 24, 2015

Taps Training held in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. 8 new volunteers trained.

MARCH 28, 2015

Taps Training held in Plano, Texas. 6 new volunteers are trained who will take advantage of the Texas Veterans Commission “Taps for Tuition” program offering tuition vouchers to students who sound Taps at veterans’ funerals.

DECEMBER 30, 2015

Ended the year with 45 volunteers in 6 states.

JANUARY 1, 2016

Online Taps Training launched to train new volunteers across the country.

MARCH 26, 2016

8 New volunteers trained in Tulsa, Oklahoma.

MAY 30, 2016

As of Memorial Day, 75 volunteers in 16 states have completed the training and are ready to serve.

AUGUST 18, 2016

YTTC Volunteer Jack Bumann joins Illinois Governor Bruce Rauner at the signing of a Taps bill excusing Illinois students from school to play Taps at funerals.

SEPTEMBER 15, 2016

Sapulpa, Oklahoma training workshop held at Sapulpa High School.

TODAY

We have recruited over 125 volunteers in 30 states across the nation. Our volunteers have logged over 850 hours serving funerals and community events honoring veterans in front of combined audiences totaling over 30,000 people.

2014	JUN	SEPT	2015	JAN	MAR	JUNE	AUG	DEC	2016	JAN	MAR	MAY	AUG	SEPT	2017	>>>	>>>
------	-----	------	------	-----	-----	------	-----	-----	------	-----	-----	-----	-----	------	------	-----	-----

IN THE NEWS

MARCH 6, 2015

Teenage trumpeter creates program to honor fallen veterans
Brittany Feagans, Plano Star Courier (TX)

JULY 6, 2015

Giving Veterans A Final Salute Is Girl's Passion
Alex Cameron, News 9 (OK)

OCTOBER 4, 2015

Girl Scout member organizes group to play taps at veterans’ funerals
Sarah Kirby, Norman Transcript (OK)

SEPTEMBER 11, 2015

Youth Trumpet and Taps Corps preserves taps, funeral customs for the next generation
Eric Steffens, TMJ4 Milwaukee (WI)

DECEMBER 4, 2015

15-Year-Old Girl Wants Every Veteran to Have Live Trumpet Play 'Taps' at Funeral
InsideEdition - insideedition.com

MAY 3, 2016

Memorial students remember veterans by playing taps
Patty Miller, The Edmond Sun (OK)

MAY 30, 2016

Trumpet Playing Teen Is on a Mission to Change the 'Taps' Stereotype
ABC World News Tonight with David Muir

AUGUST 19, 2016

AIWood High School student inspires state law, watches governor sign it
Cambridge Chronicle (IL)

DECEMBER 27, 2016

Under new Illinois law, playing taps at vets’ funerals can get teens out of school
Chicago Tribune (IL)

WWW.TRUMPETANDTAPS.ORG