

Music Camp 2025 Returns to South Carolina

With the Great Eastern Area Rally (GEAR) being held at Ocean Lakes in Myrtle Beach, SC in 2025 it means Music Camp will return to SC as well. Holding Music Camp at Ocean Lakes was not an option, but with the help of Bill Murton, David Fowler (Eastern Area VP) and others, we have zeroed in on a great location which is less than 5 miles from Ocean Lakes. Hideaway RV Resort has everything we could ask for in a location for Music Camp. You can check it out by going to their WEB site at hideawayrvresort.com.



You must make your own reservations for Hideaway and pay camping fees directly to them. Make sure you identify yourself as part of the Frustrated Maestro group. In addition, we will probably have a small fee for miscellaneous costs of Music Camp—most likely

\$10-15 per coach. We will collect it when you arrive.

Keep in mind that the Myrtle Beach Area is a destination location and October is one of the busiest months. Also, the week of Music Camp includes Halloween (Friday the 31st) making it an even more prime time spot. Site availability may disappear quickly once they are released from hold at the end of March.

Myrtle Beach has much to offer in addition to the obvious draw of the beach. There are great restaurants (especially seafood), shopping opportunities (including an outlet mall) and great entertainment venues. The Music Camp Committee will be checking out some possible group activities. If you are familiar with the area and have a favorite recommendation, please pass it along to them.

With the cancellation of GEAR 2024 due to hurricane Helene, the Eastern Area is expecting a very good turnout in Myrtle Beach. The Music Camp committee is likewise expecting a big turnout. Make your reservation early to assure you get a site.

We have also chosen to remain at Hideaway for what would be the normal 3 days of rehearsal prior to GEAR. The Eastern Area is not covering the cost of the normal 3 days of early arrival for volunteers so there is no advantage in moving to Ocean Lakes on Sunday. We will instead be staying at Hideaway for those 3 rehearsal days and moving to Ocean Lakes on Tuesday. The cost at Hideaway is a couple of dollars less per night than Ocean Lakes. Here are the details:

- * Normal arrival, Tuesday, October 28, 2025 (earlier arrival OK depending on availability)
- * Departure (to move to Ocean Lakes) Tuesday, November 4, 2025
- * Discounted nightly rate of \$48 + tax; water front \$53 + tax (not on hold and subject to availability)
- * Reservation deposit—one night
- * Cancellations--\$35 if over 30 days; full deposit (one night) within 30 days
- * Discounted rate will be honored for both longer stays or shorter stays based on availability.
- * 20 sites will be held until March 31st
- * The Activity Building will be available to us for our entire stay
- * Call **843-444-2119** to make a reservation