Zhou Family Band Technical Rider

There are normally six musicians on tour, occasionally there will be one or two additional musicians.

The band plays acoustic traditional Chinese instruments. Most pieces involve two percussion instruments (drum and gong or cymbal) and four blown instruments (suona shawm, sheng mouth organ, dizi flute...). At different times the musicians will switch instruments.

The instruments are loud, and the band usually does not need amplification for an indoor concert with capacity of 1,000 or less. For larger venues, some sound reinforcement may be required. For outdoor concerts, the band will require amplification and monitors. In the latter case, please provide one instrumental microphone for each musician, such as Shure 57 or equivalent. Also, in all case, please provide one vocal microphone, such as Shure 58, for announcing performance.

Please also provide one 6' or 8' table for locating instruments.

List of musicians and instruments:

Zhou Benxiang – suona (shawm), bazuanzi (front part of suona), shuangguan (double reed), dangzi (gong), xiaocha (small cymbal), daluo (big gong), dacha (big cymbal)

Zhou Benling – sheng (mouth-blown free reed instrument), suona, xiaoluo (small gong)

Zhou Benming - suona, drum, xiao (vertical flute), dangzi (gong)

Zhang Surong – suona, sheng, dizi (flute), yunluo (gong set), bangzi (wooden block)

Zhou Zhonghua – suona, sheng, dizi, yunluo

Zhou Jiyong - sheng, shuangguan

Suona (shawm):



Sheng (mouth-blown free reed instrument):



Bazuanzi (front part of suona):



Shuangguan (double reed):



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Dizi (flute):



Xiao (vertical flute):



Drum:



Dangzi (gong):



Daluo (big gong):



Xiaoluo (small gong):



Yunluo (gong set):



Dacha (big cymbal):



Xiaocha (small cymbal):



Bangzi (wooden block):



Hotel Requirements—The Zhou Family Band normally requires 4 double hotel rooms and one single in an acceptable hotel property of not less than 3 stars as rated by AAA or Expedia. Smoking rooms are requested if available.

Ground Transportation—If the presenter is providing local ground transportation, please provide one 15 passenger van with one seat removed for cargo, or two 7-passenger mini-vans.

Hospitality—One hot meal is requested for up to 9 people including at least one meat entrée, vegetables, salad, and dessert. Beef, chicken, or pork are all acceptable. In addition, please provide bottled drinking water, soft drinks, and hot tea.

CONTACTS:

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Zhou Family Band stageplot

Drum Gong & Cymba Sheng(free-reed pipe: First Shawm © Second shawr Sheng(free-reed pipes)

O1 O2 O3 O4 O5 O6

mic.
Chair
Monitor
Table
Bar stool

O Second shawr Sheng(free-reed pipes)

Zhou Family Band	Mic 1	drum		
	Mic 2	gong&cymbal		
	Mic 3	1st sheng(free-reed pipes)		
	Mic 4	1st shawm		
	Mic 5	2nd shawm		
	Mic 6	2nd sheng(free-reed pipes)		



Please refer to this photo for the stage plot. I blurred two persons because there will be six musicians performing for this tour. Please provide a table and a bar stool where musicians can put their instruments.