

# Trumpetor Jumbolorum



The trumpetor jumbolorum is the world’s largest brass instrument ever used by a marching band of an accredited university. The instrument measures eighty-eight feet from mouthpiece to bell and requires a skilled technician with a ladder to keep the valves free of debris. It takes three muscular musicians to carry it and another with tumid lips to “play” it. Regrettably, the trumpetor cannot be tuned. There are, of course, dozens of *bigger* brass instruments, but they are generally used by schools that lack proper accreditation—the Dinklaker Junior College of Cuisine’s tuba titanicus, for example (which is, of course, another story).