

## Big Names Added to MCM Audio Experience Presented by USAA

*Run Virtually with the Marine Corps Marathon Audio Experience by Motigo*

QUANTICO, VA (September 28, 2020) – [The Marine Corps Marathon Organization](http://www.marinemarathon.com) (MCMO) is proud to once again partner with Motigo to offer all virtual runners the opportunity to hear the authentic sounds of the actual event while running the Marine Corps Marathon (MCM) in locations across the country.

[MCM](#), [MCM50K](#) and [MCM10K](#) runners will hear specially recorded motivational messages as they reach designated mile markers. Some messages are inspirational; others will share what historic landmarks runners would be passing were they running the actual courses in Arlington, VA and the nation's capital.

The special audio messages will play alongside the music or whatever else runners are listening to in their earbuds on the virtual run. Runners will hear the actual MCM emcee make the official start line motivational announcements; get cheer messages from MCM Director Rick Nealis and Col Will Bentley, Commander, Marine Corps Base Quantico; hear special shout outs from Dr. Anthony Fauci, Director of the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (NIAID), actor Patton Oswalt, Washington Capitals announcer Joe Beninati, host of *Wait, Wait...Don't Tell Me!* Peter Sagal and Olympic medalist Shalane Flanagan; get helpful guidance from the MCM Psyching Team; and share a moment of tribute with wear blue. Runners can also invite their own friends and family to record cheer messages specifically for them.

The MCM Audio Experience sponsored by USAA is a free service via the Motigo app and is available beginning on September 27. Additional information and instructions are available at [www.marinemarathon.com](http://www.marinemarathon.com) and [www.getmotigo.com](http://www.getmotigo.com).

Entries are still available for the [45th MCM](#), [MCM50K](#), [MCM10K](#) and [Semper Fun Mile](#). In addition to marking its 45th anniversary, this year's MCM commemorates the 75th anniversary of the Battle of Iwo Jima by featuring actual volcanic ash collected at that site within the event medal.

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### **About MCMO**

*The Marine Corps Marathon (MCM) is one of the largest marathons in world. Recognized as "Best Marathon in the Mid Atlantic," and the "Best Marathon for Charities," the MCM honors honor, courage and commitment of its participants. Also known as "The People's Marathon," runners from all 50 states and more than 50 countries participate in the MCM, the largest marathon not to offer prize money. No federal or Marine Corps endorsement is implied. Connect with the Marine Corps Marathon on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), [Instagram](#), [YouTube](#) and [Flickr](#). #RunWithTheMarines*

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