



“THE PRESIDENT’S OWN”
MARINE CHAMBER ORCHESTRA

*VETERANS DAY
CONCERT*

NOVEMBER 9, 2024



WASHINGTON
NATIONAL
CATHEDRAL

Program

The Star-Spangled Banner

John Stafford Smith

lyrics by Francis Scott Key
arranged by GySgt Scott Ninmer*

American Soldier

Toby Keith

arranged by GySgt Scott Ninmer*

Every Kinda People

Robert Palmer

arranged by GySgt Scott Ninmer*

Letters from War

Mark Schultz

as performed by James Taylor
arranged by MGySgt Alan Prather*
and GySgt Scott Ninmer*

You've Got a Friend

Carole King

arranged by GySgt Scott Ninmer*

Hero

Mariah Carey

arranged by GySgt Scott Ninmer*

Still a Soldier

as performed by Trace Adkins

We Remember

Steven Curtis Chapman

arranged by MGySgt Alan Prather*

American Child

Phil Vassar

arranged by MGySgt Alan Prather*

America the Beautiful

as performed by Ray Charles



LIEUTENANT COLONEL RYAN NOWLIN

Director

Lieutenant Colonel Ryan Nowlin joined “The President’s Own” United States Marine Band in August 2010 as a staff arranger. He was appointed Assistant Director and commissioned as a first lieutenant in July 2014, achieving the rank of captain in July 2016. He became Executive Officer and Associate Director in May 2018 and earned the rank of Major in January 2020. Promoted to his current rank in December 2023, he officially became the 29th Director of the Marine Band on December 20, 2023, during a ceremony officiated by Assistant Commandant General Christopher J. Mahoney.

As director, Lt. Col. Nowlin serves as the music adviser to the White House, conducting the Marine Band and Marine Chamber Orchestra at the Executive Mansion. He has arranged and composed numerous works for the band and its ensembles, including high-profile performances such as Beyoncé’s and Kelly Clarkson’s renditions of “The Star-Spangled Banner” for President Obama’s second inauguration, and Jordin Sparks’ version for the anthem’s 200th anniversary at Fort McHenry.

His concert march “The Montford Point Marines” premiered for President and Mrs. Obama in 2013, and in 2018, he composed “Century of Service” to honor 100 years of women’s service in the Corps. Lt. Col. Nowlin has conducted the Marine Band in performances across various prestigious venues, including the National Mall, U.S. Capitol, and Wolf Trap National Park, as well as on international tours to Japan and Europe.

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STAFF SERGEANT HANNAH DAVIS

Soprano Vocalist

Staff Sergeant Hannah Davis of Pittsburgh joined “The President’s Own” United States Marine Band in September 2023, becoming the band’s second official female vocalist. She began her musical training at age 8 and graduated from Moon Area High School in 2017. Davis earned a bachelor’s degree in music from West Virginia University in 2021, studying under Hope Koehler. Before joining the Marine Band, she performed with the West Virginia Symphony Orchestra and WVU Opera Theatre and worked as a private voice instructor. She now performs as a soloist at the White House and tours nationwide.



MASTER GUNNERY SERGEANT ALAN PRATHER

Guitar

Master Gunnery Sergeant Alan Prather of Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio, joined “The President’s Own” United States Marine Band in July 1999. He began guitar training at age 8 and graduated from Cuyahoga Falls High School in 1986. Prather earned a bachelor’s degree in music education from the University of Akron in 1991 and a master’s from Kent State University in 2012. Before joining the Marine Band, he taught instrumental music in Nordonia Hills City School District and freelanced with various ensembles. He frequently performs as a soloist and leads Marine ensembles, including Free County and the Marine Jazz Orchestra.

Performing Personnel

Director

LtCol Ryan Nowlin

Saxophone

GySgt Jacob Chmara
MGySgt Nomar Longoria

Trumpet

SSgt Brent Proseus
MSgt Brian Turnmire

Trombone

MSgt Timothy Dugan
SSgt Lukas Helsel

Violin

GySgt Christopher Franke
GySgt Karen Johnson
MGySgt Erika Sato
GySgt Chaerim Smith
SSgt Ryo Usami
GySgt Foster Wang

Viola

MSgt Sarah Hart
MGySgt Christopher Shieh

Cello

GySgt Charlaine Prescott
GySgt Clayton Vaughn

Double Bass

MGySgt Aaron Clay
SSgt Kevin Thompson

Piano/Keyboard

MSgt Russell Wilson

Guitar

MGySgt Alan Prather

Percussion

MGySgt Christopher Rose
MSgt Michael Metzger

Vocalist

SSgt Hannah Davis, soprano

Recording Engineers

SSgt Claude Lumley
GySgt Ophir Paz
SSgt Aram Piligian

Stage Manager

MSgt Richard Dickerson

Librarian

GySgt Tilden Olsen

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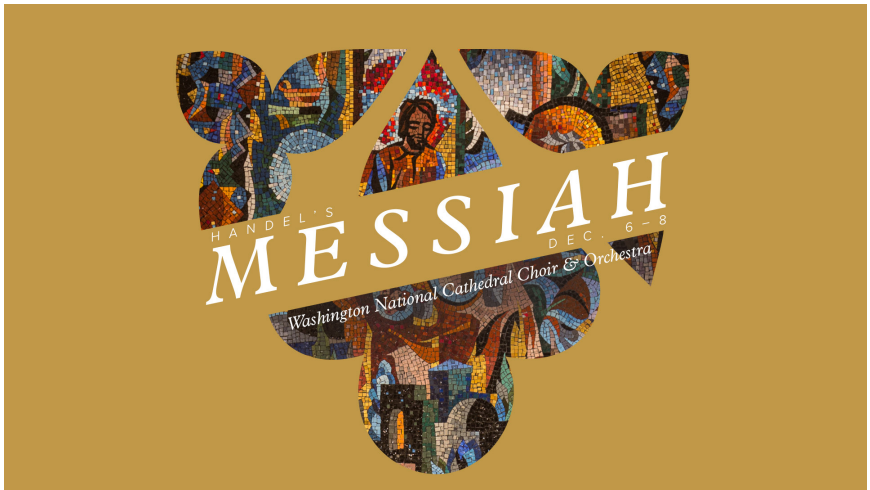
MSgt Brian Rust

Narrator

LtCol Douglas Burian



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