



The United States
Army Field Band
& Soldiers' Chorus

The Musical Ambassadors of the Army
Washington, DC

**THIS
WE'LL
DEFEND**



La Mirada Theatre
for the Performing Arts
La Mirada, California

February 28 • 3:00 p.m.

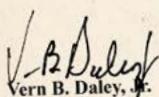


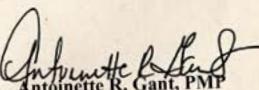
February 1, 2026

Guests of the United States Army Field Band:

On behalf of the United States Army, it is our privilege to welcome you to this evening's performance by The United States Army Field Band—our Nation's premier touring ensemble. As they embark on their Spring 2026 National Engagement Missions, these gifted Soldiers showcase the limitless opportunities found in service to our Army—brought to life through passion, discipline, and purpose. Their artistry, energy, and patriotic dedication reflect the very spirit of the American Soldier and Veteran, each of whom answered the call to serve and forged their own path of excellence. I am confident you will leave both inspired and entertained.

The Soldiers you see on stage represent the Total Army Force—those stationed at home and abroad—standing watch to protect our Nation and its interests. From generation to generation, the Army has drawn out the best in its people, producing leaders of character and service. Thank you for your continued support of the United States Army, and please enjoy tonight's performance.


Vern B. Daley, Jr.
Command Sergeant Major


Antoinette R. Gant, PMF
Major General, U.S. Army
Commander

YOUR COMMENTS about our program are greatly appreciated. Scan this QR code to send us an email.



The U.S. Army Field Band
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THIS WE'LL DEFEND

†Adrian Hernandez **This We'll Defend**

John Stafford Smith and Francis Scott Key
arr. †Adrian Hernandez **The Star-Spangled Banner**

Dmitri Kabalevsky
tr. Walter Beeler **Overture to *Colas Breugnon***

John Philip Sousa **Sound Off!**

Jacob Collier, Shawn Mendes, Stormzy,
Kirk Franklin, & Scott Harris
arr. *Sgt. 1st Class Daniel Jamieson **Witness Me**
*Staff Sgt. Verlene Faust and
Joseph Mazzara, vocal soloists*

Joseph Bertolozzi **Contemplation of Bravery**
Master Sgt. J. G. Miller, horn

Blake Neely
arr. *Sgt. 1st Class Daniel Jamieson **Soar**
*From *Masters of the Air**

Alex Warren, Adam Yaron, Cal Shapiro,
& Mags Duval
arr. *Sgt. 1st Class Daniel Jamieson **Ordinary**
Staff Sgt. Aaron McAleavey, vocal soloist

INTERMISSION

John Philip Sousa **The Beau Ideal March**

Paul Simon **The Sound of Silence**
*Sgt. 1st Class Sarah Polinski and
Staff Sgt. James Wilson, vocal soloists
Sgt. 1st Class Grace Bauson, harp*

Gavin DeGraw
arr. Paul Murtha
ed. *Master Sgt. Paul White **Soldier**
featuring the Soldiers' Chorus Men

Ludwig van Beethoven
arr. *Master Sgt. Paul White **Symphony No. 9**
IV. Finale

various composers and arrangers **Armed Forces Salute**

Julie Ward Howe & William Steffe
setting by Peter Wilhousky
arr. James Neilson **Battle Hymn of the Republic**

* Staff Arranger, The U.S. Army Field Band † Former Staff Arranger, The U.S. Army Field Band
program subject to change

COMMAND STAFF	COMMANDER Lieutenant Colonel Domingos Robinson COMMAND SERGEANT MAJOR Command Sergeant Major Daniel Brimhall DEPUTY COMMANDER Lieutenant Colonel Randy Bartel ASSOCIATE BANDMASTER Captain Jac'kel R. Smalls	<i>Rockland, MA Sweetgrass, MT Marshall, MO Goose Creek, SC</i>
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CONCERT BAND		HARP
FLUTE/PICCOLO		SFC Grace Bauson Kokomo, IN PIANO
MSG Katayoon Hodjati	Silver Spring, MD	SSG Kelvin Ying Edina, MN
SFC Troy Paolantonio	Corral Springs, FL	PERCUSSION/TIMPANI
SSG Taylor Francis	Plano, TX	MSG Brian Spurgeon River Falls, WI
SSG Chloe Tordi	North Palm Beach, FL	MSG Robert Marino Stony Point, NY
OBOE/ENGLISH HORN		SFC Andrew Emerich Magnolia, TX
MSG Erika Grimm	Centerville, VA	SFC Mitchell Gribbroek Melbourne, FL
MSG Sarah Schram-Borg	Milton, MA	SFC Derek Stults Princeton Junction, NJ
SSG Katie Eaton	St. Petersburg, FL	SSG Steven Estes Bradenton, FL
SGT Mary Stahlhuth	Linn, MO	SOLDIERS' CHORUS
B-FLAT/E-FLAT CLARINET		SOPRANO
MSG John Blair	Virginia Beach, VA	**MSG Teresa Alzadon Auburn, WA
MSG Marty Gold	Sarasota, FL	MSG Charis Strange Campbellsville, KY
SFC Mikey Arbulu	Cooper City, FL	SFC Rachel Rose Farber Somers Point, NJ
SFC Dane Clark	Jupiter, FL	**SFC Sarah Polinski Sayre, PA
SFC Marlena Dillenbeck	Coopersville, MI	SSG Verlene Faust Naranja, FL
SSG Daniel Aisenberg	Skokie, IL	SSG Marie Marquis Fulton, MS
SSG Jacob Bricker	Columbus, IN	ALTO
SSG Elié Crowthurst	Bloomington, IN	MSG Elizabeth Garcia Portland, ME
SSG Luis Mejias	Havana, Cuba	**SFC Lucy McVeigh Baltimore, MD
ALTO/BASS CLARINET		SSG Madison Baldwin Fort Payne, AL
MSG Kevin Walko	Bethel Park, PA	SSG Erin Gonzalez Las Vegas, NV
SSG Noah Stone	Westwood, MA	SSG Alexus Monroe Jacksonville, FL
BASSOON		SSG Safiatou Souaré Charlotte, NC
SFC Sergio Acosta	Milwaukee, WI	TENOR
SSG Randy Fultz	Aiken, SC	MSG Benjamin Hilgert Fairland, IN
SSG Sonja Larson	Colorado Springs, CO	**MSG Timothy Coombs South Brunswick, NJ
SAXOPHONE		SSG Thomas Drew Cleethorpes, UK
MSG Christopher Blossom	Canton, MI	SSG Napat Mingkwanuyen Bangkok, Thailand
**SFC Daniel Goff	Morgantown, WV	SSG Ruben Ortega San Antonio, TX
SSG Lauren Bagshaw	South Windsor, CT	SSG Christopher Sierra Clifton, NJ
SSG Shane Rathbun	Burnsville, NC	BASS
TRUMPET		**SFC Ian Bowling Harrisburg, PA
MSG Ward Yager	Memphis, TN	SFC William Tvrdfik Vacaville, CA
**SFC Tiffany Hoffer	Fairfax, VA	SSG Robert Henderson Huntsville, AL
SSG Michael Gillespie	Durham, NC	SSG Joseph Mazzara Alexandria, VA
SSG Nathan Little	Argyle, TX	SSG Christian Teague Fort Worth, TX
SSG Benjamin Lostocco	Newington, CT	SSG James Wilson Cary, NC
SSG Bradley Brown	Clarksville, TN	COMMERCIAL MUSIC
SSG Joshua Harris	Fresno, CA	SSG Aaron McAleavy Patchogue, NY
FRENCH HORN		SSG Lamar Riddick Fort Lauderdale, FL
**MSG Robert Cherry	Bridgeman, MI	STAGE-SUPPORT-PRODUCTION
*MSG J. Greg Miller	Denver, CO	STAGE MANAGER
SFC Jennifer Kempe	Champaign, IL	SFC Marlena Dillenbeck Coopersville, MI
SFC Selena Maytum	Nicholson, GA	AUDIO TECHNICIAN
SFC Lori Roy	Schoharie, NY	SFC Madeline Brumbach Blacksburg, VA
SSG Morgan Chalmers	Clarence, NY	SSG Richard Grouser III Rosenhayn, NJ
TROMBONE/BASS TROMBONE		SSG Destin Beaumont Chaguanas, Trin. & Tobago
MSG Wesley Ballenger III	Torrance, CA	PRODUCER
*MSG Carmen Russo	Bradenton, FL	MSG Pamela Daniels Reston, VA
SFC Anthony Coella	Boardman, OH	MEDIA PRODUCER
SSG Nate Berry	Salem, OR	**SFC Josh Buxton Hinton, OK
EUPHONIUM		SSG Ahmed Chukuroglu Orlando, FL
SSG Roel Arazo	Miami, FL	SSG Anthony Parson Richmond, VA
SSG Lindsay Ring	Bloomington, IL	ROAD MANAGER
SSG Victor Collins	Radcliff, KY	MSG Ward Yager Memphis, TN
SSG Jacob Connor	Tuscon, AZ	SFC Timothy Coombs South Brunswick, NJ
SSG Chase Garner	Birmingham, AL	TOUR COORDINATOR
STRING/ELECTRIC BASS		MSG Joshua Fox Hesperia, CA
SFC Joel Ciaccio	Canton, PA	SSG Amanda Wagner Lakewood, CA

SGM—Sergeant Major • MSG—Master Sergeant • SFC—Sergeant First Class • SSG—Staff Sergeant
SGT—Sergeant ** Element Leader † Group Leader * Section Leader