



Marine Band Marine Chamber Orchestra Marine Chamber Ensembles

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"THE PRESIDENT'S OWN" ANNOUNCES AUGUST PERFORMANCE SCHEDULE

Featuring concerts at the Lincoln Memorial and Millennium Stage

WASHINGTON—"The President's Own" United States Marine Band and Marine Chamber Orchestra continue their free concerts in August as part of *Summer Fare* and the *Summer Orchestra Series*. The Marine Band also will offer a special concert at the Lincoln Memorial in honor of the upcoming bicentennial of Abraham Lincoln's birth, and a Marine Tuba and Euphonium Quartet will perform at the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts' Millennium Stage. Concert details are listed below. Please include these performances among your August calendar/events listings.

For general concert information, patrons may call the 24-hour Concert Information Line at (202) 433-4011 or visit www.marineband.usmc.mil. Directions and parking information are available by contacting the performance venues at the numbers and websites listed below.

SUMMER FARE

8 p.m., Wednesdays

West Terrace, U.S. Capitol Washington, D.C.

8 p.m., Thursdays

Sylvan Theater 15th Street and Independence Ave., N.W., on Washington Monument grounds Washington, D.C.

PROGRAMS

Aug. 6 & 7: The Marine Big Band, conducted by Gunnery Sgt. Alan Prather, will perform the swinging rhythms of Hoagy Carmichael, Duke Ellington, Pat Metheny, George Gershwin, and Miles Davis. Free, no tickets required.

Aug. 13 & 14: The Marine Band, conducted by Assistant Director Major Jason K. Fettig, will perform music by John Philip Sousa, Richard Wagner, Johann Strauss Jr., Henri Rabaud, Nicolai Rimsky-Korsakov, and Richard Rodgers and Oscar Hammerstein II. Free, no tickets required.

Aug. 20 & 21: The Marine Band, conducted by Assistant Director Captain Michelle A. Rakers, will perform selections by Morton Gould, Philip Sparke, Joaquín Rodrigo, George Whitefield Chadwick, Lucy Simon, and John Philip Sousa. Free, no tickets required.

Aug. 27: The Marine Band, conducted by Director Colonel Michael J. Colburn, will offer its final outdoor concert of the summer featuring a variety of patriotic and contemporary musical selections. Free, no tickets required.

LINCOLN PORTRAIT

6 p.m., Tuesday, Aug. 26

Lincoln Memorial, Washington, D.C.

Venue information: (202) 426-6841 or www.nps.gov/linc

PROGRAM

The Marine Band will perform Aaron Copland's *Lincoln Portrait*, as well as other patriotic selections, as a prelude to the bicentennial celebration of Abraham Lincoln's birth. Free, no tickets required.

MILLENNIUM STAGE

6 p.m., Saturday, Aug. 2

Millennium Stage, The John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts 2700 F Street, NW, Washington, D.C.

Venue information: (202) 467-4600 or www.kennedy-center.org

PROGRAM

A Tuba and Euphonium Quartet from the Marine Band will perform a special concert of selections arranged for tuba and euphonium, as well as the award-winning piece, "Knock Yourself Out" by Daniel McCarthy, written for the group, featuring a rhythm section accompaniment. Free, no tickets required.

SUMMER ORCHESTRA SERIES

7:30 p.m., Saturday, Aug. 16

Rachel M. Schlesinger Concert Hall, Northern Virginia Community College 3001 North Beauregard Street, Alexandria, Va.

Venue information: (703) 845-6156 or www.nvcc.edu/schlesingercenter

PROGRAM

The Marine Chamber Orchestra, conducted by Assistant Director Captain Michelle A. Rakers, will perform Felix Mendelssohn's Sinfonia No. 12 in G minor, Johann Sebastian Bach's Violin Concerto No.2 in E, and Antonín Dvořák's Serenade in E for Strings, Opus 22. Free, no tickets required.

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