

Looking Thead

Marine Barracks Washington Unveils John Philip Sousa Statue

Marine Barracks Washington will unveil a bronze statue of John Philip Sousa at 1 p.m., Saturday, Nov. 5, capping a yearlong celebration of the sesquicentennial of his birth. The ceremony, which is open to the public, will take place at Marine



The John Philip Sousa statue undergoes a process of layering liquid rubber over a clay base on Aug. 18, 2005 at Laran Bronze Foundry in Chester, Pa.

Barracks Annex and Band Support Facility, located at 600 Virginia Avenue in southeast Washington, D.C.

The eight-foot statue, which portrays a uniformed Sousa conducting, will stand inside the gates of Marine Barracks Annex and Band Support Facility. The Marine Band Library worked closely with sculptor Terry Jones to ensure accuracy of the detailed Marine Band uniform and Sousa's physical characteristics. The statue, which took Jones eight months to sculpt, was bronzed at the Laran Bronze Foundry in Chester, Pa. Funding for the statue was provided by The Marine Corps Heritage Foundation, private donor Mickey Gordon, and the John Philip Sousa Foundation.

"The concept that I had for the John Philip Sousa statue was to make the statue as monumental as his music," Jones said.

Sousa was born in Washington, D.C., on Nov. 6, 1854, near Marine Barracks where his father, Antonio, was a Marine Band trombonist. Sousa was enlisted in the band as an apprentice musician at age 13.

Sousa became known as "The March King" and went on to conduct the world-famous Sousa Band. He is buried at Congressional Cemetery located at 1801 E Street, in southeast

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Astronaut Returns Recording to "The President's Own"

Senator John Glenn, a retired U.S. Marine Corps colonel and former crew member of the Space Shuttle
Discovery, presented "The President's Own" U.S. Marine Band with a signed copy of the band's recording, *At the White House*. The CD traveled with the crew in 1998 during the 92nd flight of the NASA space shuttle. The shuttle launched at 2:20 p.m., Oct. 29, 1998, from the Kennedy Space Center in Cape Canaveral, Fla., and landed at 12:04 p.m., Nov. 7, 1998, after traveling 3.6 million miles and orbiting Earth 134 times.

Senator Glenn presented the recording to the U.S. Marine Band

during a reception held Friday, Aug. 12, in the Marine Barracks Band Hall at Marine Barracks Washington.
Accompanying the CD was a NASA certificate authenticating its journey into space, signed by the rest of the 1998 Disovery crew.

At the White House was produced in 1998 by the White House to honor the bicentennial anniversary of "The President's Own" and was distributed to Presidential guests attending a special South Lawn reception for the U.S. Marine Band, July 10, 1998. Excerpts from the recording were played during the reception.

November-December 2005 Concerts

All concerts are free, and tickets are not required unless otherwise indicated.

- 7:30 p.m., Thursday, Nov. 3:

 Marine String Quartet
 at the Navy Museum,
 Washington Navy Yard,
 Washington, D.C.
 Reservations are required;
 please call (202) 433-6897.
- 4 p.m., Sunday, Dec. 4: Marine Band at the Filene Center, Wolf Trap National Park for the Performing Arts, Vienna, Va.
- 6 p.m., Tuesday, Dec. 20: Marine Brass Ensemble on the Millennium Stage, John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, Washington, D.C.

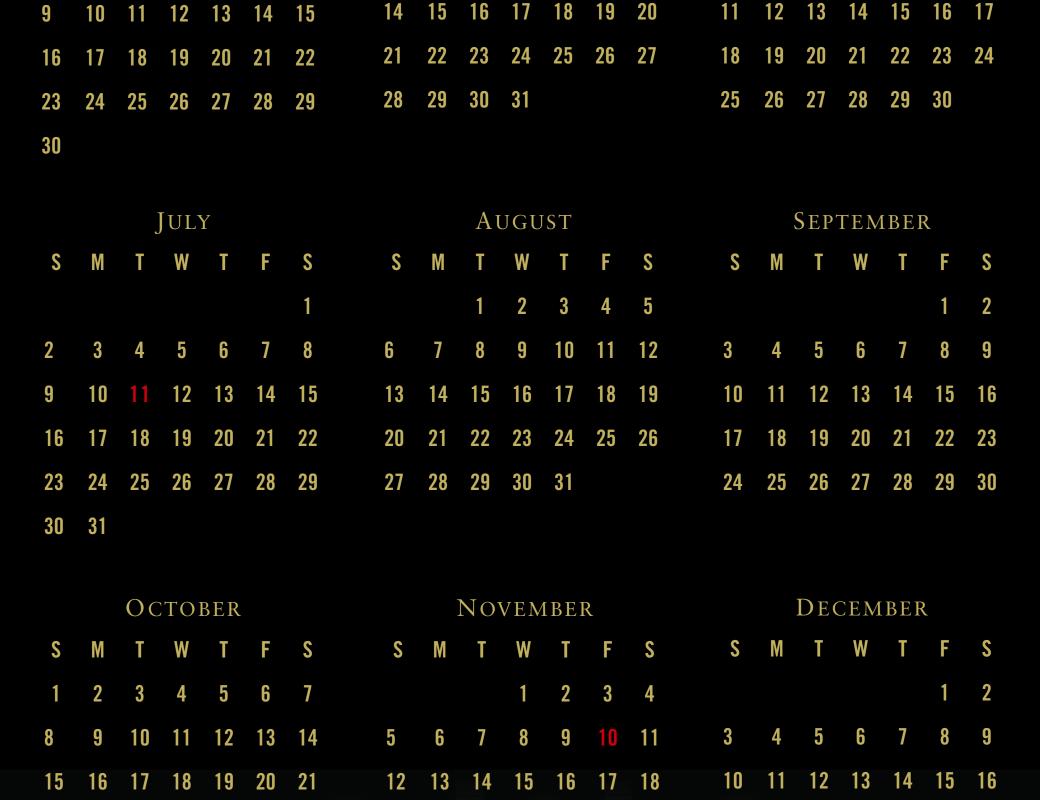
"THE PRESIDENT'S OWN"

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2006 Showcase Series Announced

"The President's Own" offers an exciting lineup of performances in its 2006 Showcase Series. In addition to an expanded season at the Rachel M. Schlesinger Arts Center at Northern Virginia Community College, the schedule includes: a special concert for kids; a season-long Mozart celebration by the chamber orchestra; and a March 19 performance at The Music Center at Strathmore, featuring guest conductor Leonard Slatkin. Post-Concert Chats in the lobby following select performances also are new in 2006. For information, visit www.marineband.usmc.mil or call (202) 433-4011.

Sunday, Jan. 8 at 2 p.m. Marine Band at GMU

Sunday, Jan. 15 at 2 p.m. Marine Band at NVCC

Sunday, Jan. 22 at 2 p.m. Chamber Ensembles at GWMNM

Sunday, Jan. 29 at 2 p.m. Chamber Orchestra at NVCC

Sunday, Feb. 5 at 2 p.m. Chamber Ensembles at GWMNM

Sunday, Feb. 12 at 2 p.m. Marine Band at NVCC

Sunday, Feb. 19 at 2 p.m. Chamber Orchestra at NVCC

Sunday, Feb. 26 at 2 p.m. Marine Band at Morgan State University Murphy Fine Arts Center, Baltimore

Monday, Feb. 27 at 6 and 7:30 p.m. Chamber Ensembles at The National Theatre, Washington, D.C. *Free, tickets required*

Sunday, March 5 at 2 p.m. Chamber Ensembles at GWMNM

Sunday, March 12 at 2 p.m. Chamber Orchestra at NVCC

Sunday, March 19 at 2 p.m. Marine Band at The Music Center at Strathmore, North Bethesda, Md. Free, tickets required

Sunday, March 26 at 2 p.m. Chamber Ensembles at GWMNM Sunday, April 2 at 2 p.m. Marine Band at NVCC

Sunday, April 9 at 2 p.m.

Chamber Orchestra at the University of Maryland's Clarice Smith Performing Arts Center, Concert Hall, College Park, Md.

Thursday, April 13 at 7:30 p.m. Marine Band at The Maryland Theatre, Hagerstown, Md.

Sunday, April 23 at 2 p.m. Chamber Ensembles at GWMNM

Sunday, April 30 at 2 p.m. Marine Band at GMU

Sunday, May 7 at 2 p.m. Chamber Orchestra at John Philip Sousa Band Hall

Sunday, May 14 at 2 p.m. Marine Band at NVCC

Sunday, May 21 at 2 p.m. Chamber Ensembles at GWMNM

Sunday, May 28 at 8 p.m. Marine Band at Wolf Trap National Park for the Performing Arts, Vienna, Va.

Concert Venues

GWMNM: George Washington Masonic National Memorial Auditorium, Alexandria, Va.

NVCC: Rachel M. Schlesinger Concert Hall and Arts Center, Northern Virginia Community College, Alexandria campus, Alexandria, Va.

GMU: George Mason University's Center for the Arts, Fairfax, Va.

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Washington, D.C., where at 10 a.m., Sunday, Nov. 6, the Marine Band will hold an annual wreath-laying ceremony at the gravesite to honor his 151st birthday. The ceremony is open to the public.

Marine Corps Birthday

The Marine Band will celebrate the Marine Corps' 230th birthday during the Marine Corps Worship Service at the Washington National Cathedral on Nov. 6. A brass choir, conducted by Assistant Director First Lieutenant Michelle A. Rakers, will perform a prelude beginning at 3:30 p.m., followed by a public service at 4 p.m. The cathedral is located at the intersection of Massachusetts and Wisconsin Avenues in northwest Washington, D.C. For more information, please call (202) 433-4073 or visit www.cathedral.org.

Vacancies

"The President's Own" announces auditions for the following vacancies:

B-flat Clarinet: Jan. 9-10 Sound Technician/Recording Engineer: Interviews in January

For more information, please contact:
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Audition repertoire may be found at www.marineband.usmc.mil. The Marine Band is an equal opportunity employer.

Promotions

To Master Sergeant: Trombonist Charles Casey of Baltimore To Gunnery Sergeant: Bass trombonist Karl Johnson of Federal Way, Wash. To Corporal: Stage Crewman Jared Kalish of Scottsdale, Ariz.