



## ***The United States Air Force Concert Band and Singing Sergeants***

**The United States Air Force Band** is comprised of 177 of the finest Airmen-musicians in the world. This premier musical organization inspires patriotism and service in fellow citizens, honors those who serve and represents the Air Force and the United States of America to millions of people worldwide. The musical virtuosity and military professionalism demonstrated by these Airmen is a reflection of the excellence carried out by Air Force members around the globe, whose selfless service and sacrifices ensure the freedoms we enjoy as Americans.

**The United States Air Force Band** began in 1941 when the newly-formed U.S. Army Air Corps activated 59 bands into operation. It was initially called The Bolling Field “Band” and consisted of five men—a saxophone quartet and a bandleader, Warrant Officer Alf Heiberg. Over the next 71 years, the band has expanded its size and mission to include six primary performing ensembles and a global mission as America’s International Musical Ambassadors.

The **United States Air Force Concert Band** is an internationally-recognized symphonic wind ensemble, and the largest of the six groups within the Band. This ensemble performs a wide variety of music ranging from classical transcriptions and original works to solo features, light classics, popular favorites and patriotic selections, demonstrating excellence and delivering powerful Air Force messages while inspiring its audience members.

The **Singing Sergeants**, known as the official chorus of the United States Air Force, is one of the most versatile and traveled choral organizations in the world today. Comprised of 20 professional Airmen-vocalists, they perform a large range of repertoire, including choral classics, opera, Broadway, folk songs, jazz, and popular and patriotic standards.

For more than 70 years, the **Concert Band and Singing Sergeants** have traveled together throughout our country and around the globe. They are proud to represent the U.S. Air Force and our country as part of The United States Air Force Band.