



Presents Chamber Music Master Class with Members of "The President's Own" United States Marine Band

Thursday, Oct. 13, 2011 at 4 p.m. Amarnick-Goldstein Concert Hall Boca Raton, Fla.

GUNNERY SERGEANT BRIAN C. TURNMIRE

Trumpeter/cornetist Brian C. Turnmire of Flintstone, Ga., joined "The President's Own" United States Marine Band in January 2003. Gunnery Sergeant Turnmire began his musical instruction at age 6. Upon graduating from Ridgeland High School in Georgia in 1997 where he studied trumpet under Tina Erickson, he attended the University of Georgia in Athens, where he earned a bachelor's degree in music education and studied with Fred Mills. Prior to joining "The President's Own," GySgt Turnmire was principal trumpet for the Chattanooga Symphony in Tennessee. GySgt Turnmire performs with the Marine Band, Marine Chamber Orchestra, and Marine Chamber Ensembles at the White House, in the Washington, D.C., metropolitan area, and across the country during the band's annual concert tour. GySgt Turnmire, the son of Mike and Ann Turnmire of Flintstone, currently resides in Washington, D.C.

STAFF SERGEANT AMY V. MCCABE

Trumpeter/cornetist Amy V. McCabe of Bonfield, Ill., joined "The President's Own" United States Marine Band in July 2006. Staff Sergeant McCabe began her musical instruction on piano at age 6 and trumpet at age 10. After graduating in 1997 from Herscher High School in Herscher, Ill., she earned her bachelor's degree in music and elementary education from Illinois Wesleyan University in Bloomington. She earned her master's degree in trumpet performance in 2006 from Northwestern University in Evanston, Ill. Her notable instructors included Charles Geyer and Barbara Butler of Northwestern University, and Steve Eggleston and Judith Saxon of Illinois Wesleyan University. Prior to joining "The President's Own," SSgt McCabe was a featured soloist in the Tony / Emmy award winning show Blast!, and a member of MusiCorps, a music education and advocacy program designed to promote music awareness, appreciation, and training in the Chicago Public Schools. She performed with the Chicago Civic Orchestra, the Spoleto Festival USA Orchestra in Charleston, S.C., and the Walt Disney World All-Star Collegiate Jazz Band and Christmas Brass in Orlando, Fl. She also received the Roger Voisin Trumpet Award while a fellow at the Tanglewood Music Center in Lenox, Mass. SSgt McCabe performs with the Marine Band, Marine Chamber Orchestra, and the Marine Chamber Ensembles at the White House, in the Washington, D.C., area and across the country during the band's annual concert tour. SSgt McCabe, daughter of Don and Brenda McCabe of Bonfield, currently resides in Washington, D.C.

STAFF SERGEANT DOUGLAS F. QUINZI

French hornist Douglas F. Quinzi of Las Cruces, N.M., joined "The President's Own" United States Marine Band in October 2004. Staff Sergeant Quinzi began his musical career at age 12. Upon graduating in 1997 from Las Cruces High School, he attended New Mexico State University in Las Cruces, where in 2002 he earned a bachelor's degree in music education. In 2004, he earned a master's degree in French horn performance from the University of Maryland in College Park. He presently is pursuing a doctorate of musical arts at the University of Maryland. His horn instructors include Nancy Joy of New Mexico State University, Gregory Miller of the University of Maryland, and Martin Hackleman of the National Symphony Orchestra in Washington, D.C. Prior to joining "The President's Own," SSgt Quinzi performed with the Las Cruces Symphony Orchestra, was a finalist in the 2000 International Horn Society Competition, and was a freelance musician in the Washington, D.C., area. SSgt Quinzi performs with the Marine Band, Marine Chamber Orchestra, and the Marine Chamber Ensembles at the White House, in the Washington, D.C., metropolitan area, and across the country during the band's annual concert tour. SSgt Quinzi, the son of Anthony and Winifred Quinzi of Las Cruces, currently resides in Beltsville, Md., with his wife, Susan.

STAFF SERGEANT PRESTON H. HARDAGE

Trombonist Preston H. Hardage, of Chesterfield, Mo., joined "The President's Own" United States Marine Band in October 2004. Staff Sergeant Hardage began his musical career at age 12. After graduating from Parkway Central High School in Chesterfield in 1999, he earned a bachelor's degree in music and performer's certificate in 2004 from Indiana University in Bloomington. He is currently pursuing his master's degree from Catholic University in Washington, D.C. His notable teachers were Jim Martin of St. Louis, Roger Oyster of the Kansas City Symphony in Missouri, and Carl Lenthe of Indiana University, formerly with the Bavarian State Opera in Munich, Germany. Prior to joining "The President's Own," SSgt Hardage won the Indiana University Concerto Competition and performed with the National Repertory Orchestra in Breckinridge, Colo. SSgt Hardage performs with the Marine Band, Marine Chamber Orchestra, and Marine Chamber Ensembles at the White House, in the Washington, D.C., metropolitan area, and across the country during the band's annual concert tour. SSgt Hardage, the son of Preston Hardage of Miami Lakes, Fla., and Mary Beth Hardage of League City, Texas, currently resides in Alexandria, Va., with his wife Heather and their son Parker.

MASTER SERGEANT THOMAS D. HOLTZ

Tubist Thomas Holtz of Geneseo, Ill., joined "The President's Own" United States Marine Band in June 1991. Master Sergeant Holtz began his musical training at age 10. He graduated in 1986 from J.D. Darnall High School in Geneseo and in 1991, earned a bachelor's degree in music from Arizona State University in Tempe, where he studied with Daniel Perantoni. MSgt Holtz performs with the Marine Band, Marine Chamber Orchestra, and Marine Chamber Ensembles at the White House, in the Washington, D.C., metropolitan area, and across the country during the band's annual concert tour. He has been featured as a guest soloist and jazz clinician locally and nationally, most recently performing as a soloist with the Army Blues at the 2003 U.S. Army Band Tuba-Euphonium Conference in Arlington, Va. He also was featured as a guest artist with the Coast Guard Band and Dixieland Combo in New London, Conn., in 1998.

MSgt Holtz, the son of John Jeffrey Holtz of Macomb, Ill., and Sharon Kay Holtz of Geneseo, currently resides in Jessup, Md., with his wife, Becky, and children, Alex, Doug, and J. J.

The Marine Band is America's oldest continuously active professional musical organization. Founded in 1798, the band has performed for every U.S. President since John Adams. Known as "The President's Own" since the days of Thomas Jefferson, the Marine Band's primary mission is to provide music for the President of the United States and the Commandant of the Marine Corps.