United States Navy Band - Washington DC
Commander Philip Field (1991)
Lieutenant Commander Joseph Phillips (1992)
Lieutenant Commander John Pastin (1995)
Lieutenant Commander Ralph Gambone (2000)
Captain George N. Thompson, Jr. (2007)
Captain Brian O. Walden (2010)
Captain Kenneth C. Collins (2011)

US Navy Band - Norfolk VA
Commander Michael Burch-Press (2012)

Navy Band Great Lakes - Great Lakes IL
Lieutenant Patrick K. Sweeten (2013)

Navy Band Charleston - Naval Base Charleston SC
Lieutenant Jon. J. Jillson (2014)

US Pacific Fleet Band - Pearl Harbor HI
Lieutenant Colonel Alan Bonner (1992)
Lieutenant Colonel Bruce Gilkes (1993)
CWO-3 Michael W. Edmonson (2010)

Parris Island Marine Corps Band - North Charleston SC
Commander Lewis Buckley (1988)

United States Marine Band - Washington DC
Colonel John Jouett (1991)
Lieutenant Colonel Michael J. Colburn (2005)
Captain Kenneth C. Collins (2007)

United States Marine Band Washington, DC
Lieutenant Colonel Alan Bonner (1992)

Air Force Band of the Rockies - Colorado Springs CO
Lieutenant Colonel Bruce Glines (1997)

US Continental Army Band - Fort Monroe VA
Lieutenant Colonel Michael Pyatt (1990)

312th Army Reserve Band - Lawrence KS
CWO-3 Robert N. Claggett (2006)

Army Ground Forces Band - Fort Huachuca AZ
Lieutenant Colonel Richard Shelburne (1989)

Army Ground Forces Band - Fort McPherson GA
Lieutenant Colonel Michael F. Butler (1990)

Army Ground Forces Band - Fort Bliss TX
Major James M. McKenzie (2012)

34th Infantry Division Band - New London NY
Lieutenant Colonel James E. Rogers (1989)

34th Infantry Division Band Ft. Drum NY

202nd Army Band - Kentucky National Guard
Captain Michael J. Willen (2009)

282nd Army Band - Fort Jackson SC
Lieutenant Colonel Mark O. Wilkerson (1996)

147th Army Guard Band - Mitchell SD
Lieutenant Colonel Henry J. Selig (1991)

Band of the Norwegian Armed Forces - Norway
Lieutenant Colonel Stephanie Svard (2005)

Japan Air Self-Defense Force Band - Yokosuka Japan
Lieutenant Colonel Toshio Yoshikawa (2013)

Japan Maritime Self-Defense Force Band - Yokosuka Japan
Lieutenant Colonel Toshio Yoshikawa (2013)

43rd Army National Guard Band - Houston TX

417th Army Band - Mitchell SD
CWO-2 Terry Beckler (2006)

Central Band of the Royal Air Force - United Kingdom
Commander Eric Banks (1989)

Indian Air Force Band - New Delhi India
Major Anil A. Belga (2012)

India Air Force Band - Bangalore India
Lieutenant Colonel Sanjay Prusty (1992)

Germany Air Self-Defense Force Band - Landstuhl Germany
Lieutenant Colonel Craig M. Krueger (1993)

Germany Air Self-Defense Force Band - Ramstein Germany
Lieutenant Colonel Craig M. Krueger (1993)

US Air Force Band of the Golden West - Travis AFB CA
Lieutenant Colonel Colburn Redwine (2003)

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USAF Band of the West - Lackland AFB TX

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**PURITY**

The band must perform standard concert band literature. The band’s instrumentation must be suitable for literature performed. The band must perform standard concert band literature.

**ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA**

Military band directors send an application letter directly to the committee chair with the following materials:

1. Concert programs of recent concerts directed by the current conductor.
2. Current studio/concert recordings (CD) if available.
3. One DVD recording with three works from a recent concert performance directed by the current conductor.

**APPLICATION PROCEDURE**

The band’s instrumentation must be suitable for literature performed. The band must perform standard concert band literature. The band must be an active duty or reserve military concert band.

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