The United States Air Force Band
and
The Singing Sergeants

Colonel Arnald D. Gabriel, Conductor

America's International Musical Ambassadors

Washington, D.C.
The United States Air Force Band is a musical organization with an amazing record of achievement. Organized in 1942, it conceived and pioneered the concept that a musical organization can be a nation's most effective goodwill ambassador. This concept has been proven through twelve international concert tours, covering 48 countries and 40 world capitals on five continents. The U.S. Air Force Band has played in person to over 25,000,000 people of every race, color, creed, walk of life and ideology, and additional millions have heard it through The Band's numerous radio and television appearances. By giving a first-hand insight into American culture, it has helped create a better understanding among the peoples of the world. Here is a musical organization which truly merits its reputation of being one of the most potent instruments of goodwill at the command of any nation.

The Singing Sergeants, the Official Chorus of the United States Air Force, is the most versatile and travelled choral organization in the world. In addition to highlighting each concert by The United States Air Force Band, the chorus has performed for every Chief Executive since President Truman, as well as with the New York Philharmonic, and the Philadelphia, Cleveland and National Symphony Orchestras. Included in the repertoire of this outstanding chorus are selections ranging from opera and oratorio to folk songs, pop standards, jazz—and even comedy. Originally formed from within the ranks of The U.S. Air Force Band, the chorus is now composed entirely of vocal majors from colleges, universities and music conservatories throughout America.

Colonel Arnold D. Gabrielson, dynamic young conductor of The U.S. Air Force Band and the Singing Sergeants, has been acclaimed by musicians and music critics throughout the Nation as one of America's outstanding conductors. He is the only active U.S. Air Force musician to hold the Legion of Merit, one of the Nation's highest peacetime awards, with oak leaf cluster. These awards were presented for his contributions to the U.S. Air Force and the Nation through concert tours and personal appearances in the United States, Latin America and Europe, plus his tremendous contribution to music education throughout America. In addition to having conducted the Nation's finest university and All-State bands, Colonel Gabrielson has served as guest conductor of the Pittsburgh, Minnesota, Florida and Memphis Symphony Orchestras. Colonel Gabrielson is a graduate of Ithaca College School of Music, holding both bachelor and master degrees. He is a member of the American Bandmasters Association, the National Band Association and the National Association for American Composers and Conductors.