



Lieutenant Colonel Ryan J. Nowlin, Director

UNITED STATES MARINE BAND

Friday, March 6, 2026

Harris Theater for Music and Dance

Chicago, IL

American Bandmasters Association Convention 2026

Calixa Lavallée (1842–91)

Canadian National Anthem, “O Canada”

John Stafford Smith (1750–1836)

National Anthem, “The Star-Spangled Banner”

Roy Holder, conducting

ABA President

Director of Bands (Ret.), Lake Braddock Secondary School

John Philip Sousa* (1854–1932)
edited by The United States Marine Band

March, “The Belle of Chicago”

Grant Okamura, conducting

Professor Emeritus, University of Hawai'i

Leonard Bernstein (1918–90)
arranged by Clare Grundman

Overture to *Candide*

Col Michael J. Colburn, USMC (Ret.), conducting

Former Director, U.S. Marine Band

ABA Past President

Jennifer Higdon (b. 1962)
transcribed by LtCol Ryan Nowlin*

blue cathedral

Col Jason K. Fettig, USMC (Ret.), conducting

Former Director, U.S. Marine Band

Director of Bands, University of Michigan

Piotr Ilyich Tchaikovsky (1840–93)
transcribed by John R. Bourgeois*

Dance of the Actors from *The Maid of Orleans*

Col John R. Bourgeois, USMC (Ret.), conducting

Director Emeritus, U.S. Marine Band

ABA Past President and Honorary Life President

James Stephenson (b. 1969)

You've Reached the City Limits (2024)

transcription world première

Capt Darren Y. Lin, conducting

Associate Director, U.S. Marine Band

INTERMISSION

James Reese Europe (1881–1919)
arranged by GySgt Lucia Disano*

The Clef Club March
James Swearingen, conducting
Professor for Music Emeritus, Capital University

Erika Svanoë (b. 1976)

Adventures in Wonderland (2026)

II. The Garden & The Cheshire Cat
III. A Mad Tea Party

world première
Dr. Russel C. Mikkelsen, conducting
Director of Bands, The Ohio State University
American Bandmasters Association Consortium Commission

arranged by GySgt Scott Ninmer*

Dear Arturo

GySgt Tyler Lindsay, trumpet soloist
Thomas Leslie, conducting
University of Nevada, Las Vegas

Viet Cuong (b. 1990)

The Truest Course (2026)

world première
LtCol Ryan Nowlin, conducting
Director, U.S. Marine Band

John Philip Sousa* (1854–1932)
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March, “The Stars and Stripes Forever”
Dennis Fisher, conducting
Emeritus Professor of Music, University of North Texas

arranged by Thomas Knox* (1937–2004)

A Salute to the Armed Forces of the United States of America
LtCol Ryan Nowlin, conducting
Director, U.S. Marine Band

MGySgt Kevin Bennear, concert moderator

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