

188th ARMY BAND

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Warrant Officer David Stordalen- Commander and Bandmaster
1st Sgt. Michael Koshney- First Sergeant
Sgt. 1st Class Donald Nagle- Senior Enlisted Conductor
Sgt. 1st Class Jennifer Schwind- Readiness/Training & Operations NCO
Staff Sgt. Justen Reed- Logistics NCO
Sgt. Christopher Hanson- Human Resources and Assistant Operations NCO

188th Army Band Concert Band Leadership Biographies

Warrant Officer One David J. Stordalen was appointed as Bandmaster and Commander of the 188th Army Band in September of 2010. Prior to his appointment, Mr. Stordalen served for 22 years as an enlisted Soldier in the North Dakota and Minnesota Army National Guard and the active-duty Army.

Warrant Officer One Stordalen's duty assignments include the 188th Army Band, the 34th Infantry Division 'Red Bull' Band, the 323rd US Army MEDCOM Band and the 5th US Army Band.

Mr. Stordalen has served as a music educator for fifteen years having taught in the Grand Forks School District before moving to St. James, Minnesota where he currently teaches instrumental music.



1st Sgt. Michael J. Koshney has served as the Enlisted Bandleader of the 188th Army Band since August of 2008. He is also a performing member in the Concert Band, Marching Band, and Dixieland Ensemble.

1st Sgt. Koshney has served in the North Dakota Army National Guard for 31 years. Before becoming a tuba player with the 188th Army Band in 1992, he served in the 957th Float Bridge Company, 141st Combat Engineer Battalion, 164th Combat Engineer Battalion, and the 132nd Quartermaster (Water Supply) Company. While with the 132nd Quartermaster Company, 1st Sgt. Koshney deployed to Saudi Arabia in support of Operation Desert Shield and Operation Desert Storm from 1990-1991.

Sgt. 1st Class Donald N. Nagle is the Enlisted Conductor for the 188th Army Band. He also serves as the rhythm section group leader and performs as a percussionist, piano player and vocalist for the country and rock ensemble, Three Time Rule.

Sgt. 1st Class Nagle has 32 years of service with the North Dakota Army National Guard having served with the 141st Combat Engineer Battalion in his hometown of Valley City and the 188th Army Band.



188th Army Band Concert Band

Warrant Officer One David Stordalen- St. James, MN, Bandmaster and Commander
Sgt. 1st Class Donald Nagle- Grand Forks, ND, Enlisted Conductor

Flute/Piccolo

Sgt. Amanda Smallbeck- Grafton
Sp. Rachel Dahlen- Fargo
Sp. Kacie Edwards Pahl- Jamestown
Sp. Tracy Lundby- Bismarck
Sp. Kathryn Nord- Grand Forks

Oboe

Sp. Kelsy Johnson- Moorhead, MN

Bassoon

Sgt. 1st Class Jeffrey Pfingsten- Fargo *
Staff Sgt. Michael Hagburg- Bismarck

Clarinet

Sgt. 1st Class Jennifer Schwind- Fargo * +
Sgt. Teri Ruff- West Fargo
Sp. Toni DeBerg- Fargo
Sp. Cherie Frenzel- Bismarck
Sp. Joshua Peterson- Fargo
Sp. Melissa Struck- Rogers, MN

Bass Clarinet

Sp. Christopher Carpenter- Fargo

Saxophone

Staff Sgt. Lynne Krug- Walcott
Staff Sgt. Donald Woodbury- Fargo
Sgt. DeAnn Fyilling- Bismarck
Sp. Paul Barta- Grand Forks
Sp. Marni Valbert- Rogers, MN



Horn

Staff Sgt. Kate Naujokas- Fargo
Sgt. Steven Fraase- Enderlin
Sgt. Kevin Kosiak- Perham, MN
Sgt. Darin Olson- Minneapolis, MN

Trumpet/Cornet

Sgt. 1st Class Bradley Reed- West Fargo *
Staff Sgt. Timothy Knabe- Grand Forks
Sp. Andrew Bergan- Fargo
Sp. Matthew Black- Minot
Sp. Jesse Braunagel- Fargo
Sp. James Landman- Fargo

Trombone

Sgt. Christopher Hanson- Fargo +
Sgt. Daniel Pfingsten- Rothsay, MN
Sgt. Brent Rider- Fargo

Bass Trombone

Staff Sgt. Brian Tucker- West Fargo

Euphonium

Staff Sgt. Paul Helfter- Virginia, MN
Sgt. Kevin Krug- Walcott

Tuba

1st Sgt. Michael Koshney- Fargo
Sgt. Thomas Jankowski- Grand Forks
Sp. Terence Benton- Fargo
Sp. Nathan Johnson- Valley City

Percussion

Sgt. 1st Class Donald Nagle- Grand Forks *
Staff Sgt. Hugh Grindberg- Grand Forks
Staff Sgt. Justen Reed- Fargo +
Sp. Aaron Bedford- Dickinson
Sp. Kacie Hughes- Fargo
Sp. Troy Johnson- Hazen
Sp. Carla McLean- Fargo

(+) Denotes Full-Time Unit Staff, (*) Denotes Group Leaders

188th Army Band

History and Mission



The official mission of the 188th Army Band is to provide music throughout the full spectrum of military operations and to instill in our Soldiers the will to fight and win, to foster the support of our citizens, to promote our national interests at home and abroad, and to entertain our audiences. In successful completion and ongoing fulfillment of that mission, the band has continued to provide music to the citizens and Soldiers of North Dakota for over 120 years.

The Band was organized in 1887 in Valley City, Dakota Territory. The unit designation was changed in 1889 when North Dakota was admitted to the Union. In 1891 the band was moved to Lisbon. The First North Dakota Infantry Band was ordered to active duty in 1916 to support General "Blackjack" Pershing during the Mexican Border War and then to France in support of World War I. Following the war, the band returned to Lisbon, newly reorganized as the 164th Infantry Band. The band, along with the rest of the North Dakota Army National Guard, was once again ordered to active duty, this time in support of World War II, serving in the Pacific. After its return, the band was reorganized, this time as the 294th Army Band. In 1959 the band was reorganized yet again as the 188th Army Band, and moved to its present armory in Fargo.

In more modern history, current individuals of the 188th Army Band have answered their country's call and proudly served their nation in Vietnam, Operation Desert Storm, Operation Enduring Freedom (Afghanistan), KFOR (Kosovo), and Operation Iraqi Freedom. Serving closer to home, individual members of the band have assisted with disaster relief efforts in North Dakota. The 188th Army Band was ordered to State Active Duty to assist with the Flood of 2009.

This organization remains busy providing a broad spectrum of music, including Concert Band, Marching Band, Dixieland Band, Brass Quintet, Jazz Band, Stage Band, Dance and Show Bands, and various other small chamber ensembles.

During the 124 years of the band's existence, its Soldiers have trained across the nation and around the world. In the United States, the band has performed and trained in places to include; Washington, D.C., Mount Rushmore, SD, Valley Forge, PA, St. Louis, MO, Nashville, TN, San Francisco, CA, Fort Monroe, VA, Great Falls, MT, and Minneapolis, MN. Outside of the United States, the band has performed in many places, including Winnipeg, Manitoba, Montego Bay, Jamaica, Brisbane, Australia, and Heidelberg, Germany.