

PERFORMANCE OPPORTUNITIES FOR MUSIC ENSEMBLES AMERICAN CELEBRATION OF MUSIC IN FRANCE - THROUGHOUT 2014

The American Celebration of Music in France includes destinations and musical experiences that remind participants of Franco-American ties and long friendships that date back to the American Revolution in 1776. Normandy (Omaha Beach and the American Cemetery) and Eastern France provide opportunities to pay musical tribute to thousands of Americans who never returned to America, having given their all for the present freedom of Europe and our country.

NATIONAL FESTIVAL OF THE STATES IN WASHINGTON, D.C. – THROUGHOUT 2014

The National Festival of the States is an annual concert series in various cities throughout the United States. In 2014, this unique concert series in Washington, D.C. will serve as a musical tribute to America's Greatest Generation. Participating choirs, bands, and orchestras will represent their respective states and be recognized for their participation in this concert series. They will be featured in the most prestigious venues available with the greatest potential for audiences.

NATIONAL MEMORIAL DAY PARADE IN WASHINGTON, D.C. – MAY 26, 2014

The National Memorial Day Parade takes place annually in Washington, D.C., and exists to pay tribute to America's Veterans and our Honored War Dead from the Revolutionary War to Operation Iraqi Freedom. The 2014 National Memorial Day Parade will be presented in commemoration of the 70th Anniversary of D-Day. The parade is traditionally broadcast on the Military Channel, and to our troops around the globe on the Pentagon Channel and American Forces Network.

NATIONAL MEMORIAL DAY CONCERT SERIES IN WASHINGTON, D.C. – MAY 24–26, 2014

With support from the American Veterans Center, the National Memorial Day Concert Series will feature performances by choirs, concert bands, and orchestras throughout Memorial Day Weekend at the National World War II Memorial in Washington, D.C.

D-DAY 70 MEMORIAL CONCERT IN NORMANDY – JUNE 6, 2014

The D-Day 70 Memorial Wind Band will be a highlight of the D-Day 70 Memorial Concert at Normandy American Cemetery and Memorial on June 6, 2014 at the American Cemetery at Colleville-sur-Mer. Wind bands and individual band performers from across the United States are invited to participate in this once-in-a-lifetime experience. Conducted by Colonel Arnald D. Gabriel – Conductor Emeritus of the United States Air Force Band, and member of the United States Army's 29th Infantry Division that fought in the Battle of Normandy – the mass band will rehearse in Paris for several days, as well as present a concert, in advance of the June 6 performance in Normandy.

PARIS CHORAL FESTIVAL - JUNE 30-JULY 5, 2014

Featuring Gabriel Fauré's remarkable Requiem in L'église de la Madeleine – the very church where the work was premiered – this festival is being presented in honor of the 70th anniversary of The Battle of Normandy and the Allied Invasion of France in World War II. The festival will feature patriotic works to honor the occasion, culminating in a grand musical commemoration for the heroes that fought for freedom during the world's greatest invasion.