

# The United States Air Force BAND OF THE WEST LACKLAND AFB, TEXAS



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## Gateway Brass Fact Sheet

Gateway Brass, the brass ensemble of the United States Air Force Band of the West, is stationed at Lackland Air Force Base, Texas. The ensemble is comprised of two trumpets, French horn, trombone, tuba, and percussion. Gateway Brass is dedicated to presenting to its audiences the total spectrum of today's musical literature.

The members of Gateway Brass bring to the United States Air Force many years of professional experience with symphony orchestras, chamber ensembles, touring shows, and today's popular artists. Gateway Brass performs for civilian and military audiences throughout the southwestern region of the United States of America with a repertoire spanning five centuries.

Gateway Brass travels more than twenty thousand miles annually and appears in more than 100 concerts and clinics. The group performs at military ceremonies, conducts educational clinics, and presents entertaining community concerts throughout Texas, Louisiana, Arizona, and New Mexico. The group participated in a four month deployment aboard the United States Navy Ship Comfort, contributing to the mission Continuing Promise 2009. Continuing Promise is an annual humanitarian mission covering seven countries in 120 days, providing medical and dental care to countries in the Caribbean and Central and South America. Continuing Promise 2009 was supported by every branch of the United States Armed Forces, along with international forces from many different countries.

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