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## U.S. NAVY BAND SEA CHANTERS 2023 NATIONAL TOUR PERFORMING FREE AT THE MONTEREY CONFERENCE CENTER Sunday, March 19, 2023, at 3:30 p.m.

Monterey, CA. – The Navy Band Sea Chanters are the United States Navy's official chorus. They will perform in the Serra Ballroom at the Monterey Conference Center on Sunday, March 19 at 3:30 p.m. Admission is free with general seating and open to the first 1,000 guests. Tickets are required. GET YOUR FREE TICKETS online or scan the QR code found on the poster, or at <a href="https://monterey.org/navyband">https://monterey.org/navyband</a>.

City Manager Hans Uslar said, "We are delighted to bring the U.S. Navy Band to Monterey for a free, fun, and family-oriented musical event. This is an opportunity for locals to connect with our military communities including those stationed at the Presidio of Monterey and the Naval Support Activity Monterey to experience the beautiful Monterey Conference Center venue."

Thank you to the Old Monterey Business Association, Presidio of Monterey, and the Naval Support Activity Monterey for their support with this event.

## **About the Navy Band Sea Chanters**

The ensemble performs a variety of music including traditional choral music, sea chanteys, patriotic fare, opera, Broadway and contemporary music. The Sea Chanters regularly perform for the public in the Washington, D.C. area and throughout the United States while on national tours. At home in Washington, they perform for the president, vice president and numerous

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congressional, military and foreign dignitaries. In 1956, Lt. Harold Fultz, then the band's assistant leader, organized a vocal group from the Navy School of Music to sing chanteys and patriotic songs for the State of the Nation dinner. Recognizing the ensemble's immediate success, Adm. Arleigh Burke, then Chief of Naval Operations, transferred the group to the Navy Band, named them the Sea Chanters, and tasked this all-male chorus with perpetuating the songs of the sea. In 1980, the group added women to its ranks and expanded its repertoire to include everything from Brahms to Broadway.

Learn more about the Navy Band Sea Chanters at <a href="https://www.navyband.navy.mil/ensembles/sea-chanters">https://www.navyband.navy.mil/ensembles/sea-chanters</a> and find more information about the performance in Monterey at <a href="https://monterey.org/navyband">https://monterey.org/navyband</a>. Watch a <a href="video 1">video 1</a> and <a href="video 2">video 2</a> clips from past performances.



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