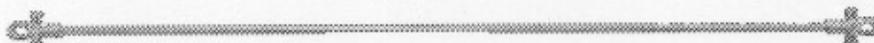


389th Army Band (AMC's Own)

United States Army Materiel Command
Honorary Affiliate of the United States Army Ordnance Corps
In Partnership with the Aberdeen High School Music Department



The 389th Army Band (AMC's Own) was constituted on 15 January 1944, and was activated the following week at Fort Monmouth, New Jersey.

The 389th Army Band has direct ties to the U.S. Army Signal Corps Band and the 13th Cavalry Regimental Band, though it does not carry their lineage or honors. The 13th Cavalry Band was organized at Fort Meade, South Dakota on 24 May, 1901. It served at various posts and camps worldwide before arriving at Fort Monmouth in August of 1930.

In 1916, while on international border patrol, the 13th Cavalry Band saw action against Francisco "Pancho" Villa's guerrillas in Columbus, New Mexico. Although the band received nine casualties, "Pancho" Villa's casualties numbered one-hundred ninety two.

In late August 1930, shortly after its move to Ft. Monmouth, the 13th Cavalry Regimental Band was formally inactivated and retired. In the same month the U. S. Army Signal Corps Band was activated and received personnel and equipment from the 13th Cavalry Band.

In January 1944 the Signal Corps Band was inactivated and the 389th Army Band was formed and activated. It likewise inherited personnel and equipment from the Signal Corps Band.

During World War II, the 389th Army Band was the motivating factor in a campaign that sold more than one million dollars in War Bonds. The band was awarded a Meritorious Unit Commendation (Army) for its contribution to the war effort.

On 14 January 1986, the Secretary of the Army conferred upon the 389th Army Band the distinctive designation of "AMC's Own". This designation means that the band represents all of the 65,000 military and civilian personnel at locations throughout the world within the Army Materiel Command.

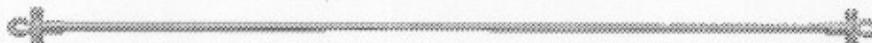
In 1987, the 389th Army Band represented the U.S. Army in celebrating the Bicentennial of the U.S. Constitution. The band toured the United States for 43 days, presenting concerts for military and civilian audiences throughout the nation.

In its fiftieth year of existence, the 389th Army Band was transferred to Aberdeen Proving Ground, Maryland, where it retains its designation of "AMC's Own". The 389th Army Band supports the installation, the U.S. Army Ordnance Center and School, and performs year-round in small tours throughout the northeastern United States at numerous local military and civilian community functions.



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