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## **U.S. Coast Guard Band Performs at Willett Hall**

**(NEW LONDON, Conn.)**—Wednesday, June 6 at 7 p.m., the U.S. Coast Guard Band, under the direction of Lieutenant Commander Adam Williamson, performs at Willett Hall in Portsmouth, Virginia. The fifth performance of their 2018 concert tour, the program includes works by Sousa, Wagner, Bernstein, Hindemith, Puts, and others. Join us for an evening of vibrant music performed by one of America's premier concert bands.

The concert opens with Wagner's triumphant *Huldigungsmarsch* followed by *Girlfriends Medley*, a virtuosic xylophone solo performed by Virginia native, Musician 1st Class Nathan Lassell. Also on the program: music from Leonard Bernstein's *On the Town*, *March* from Hindemith's *Symphonic Metamorphosis*, Frank Ticheli's *American Elegy*, and *Millennium Canons* by Kevin Puts.

The United States Coast Guard Band is the premier band representing the United States Coast Guard and the Department of Homeland Security. The 55-member ensemble is based at the U.S. Coast Guard Academy in New London, Connecticut. In addition to performing concert tours around the nation, the band has also played in the former Soviet Union, Canada, England, Japan and Taiwan. In 2008, the Coast Guard Band became the first premier American military band to perform a concert tour in Japan. Concerts are free and open to the public and include a broad spectrum of music, from wind ensemble classics to swinging jazz charts.

This event is free and open to the public. Tickets are required and can be obtained by visiting [uscgbandtour2018.ticketleap.com/portsmouth-va](http://uscgbandtour2018.ticketleap.com/portsmouth-va). Willett Hall is located at 3701 Willett Drive, Portsmouth Virginia. For more on the Coast Guard Band, visit [www.uscg.mil/band](http://www.uscg.mil/band), "like" us on Facebook, or call the Concert Information Line at (860) 701-6826.

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