

CLASS OF



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LIEUTENANT COLONEL TIMOTHY HOLTAN

Lt. Col. Timothy Holtan is a 1973 graduate of Bismarck High School. In June of 2005, Lt. Col. Holtan assumed command as the 22 nd Leader of the United States Military Academy Band, West Point, NY, where the band has been in continuous residence since 1817.

Lt. Col. Holtan is an active conductor, educator and clinician. He is a former school music educator in Montana, where his ensembles were recognized as outstanding in the Pacific Northwest. He has presented concerts and clinics in 37 states, Canada, Japan, the U.S. Virgin Islands and Europe; and also for the International Association of Jazz Educators, North American Brass Band Association, Walt Disney World, the Atlanta International Band and Orchestra Conference, the 1988 Winter Olympics, and for many state music educator conferences.

His military assignments include: Deputy Commander of the U.S. Army Field Band; Department of the Army Staff Bands Officer, where he had administrative purview over 105 Army Bands; Commander of the U.S. Continental Army Band "Pershing's Own," where he served in overlapping capacities as Director of the Ceremonial Band, the Brass Band, the Choral and the Chorus. The Army also facilitated his service as the Director of Operations and Associate Conductor of Dallas Wind Symphony, while he pursued post-graduate studies at the University of North Texas.

Lt. Col Holtan's ensembles have been seen on national broadcasts of network television, A&E, TNN and C-SPAN and have graced the stages of the Kennedy Center, DAR Constitution Hall, the Mormon Tabernacle and the Myerson Symphony Center.

In 2001, Lt. Col. Holtan was honored as an Alumnus of the Year by Bismarck State College.