



UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
Band of Mid-America

Biography

Lieutenant Colonel Daniel L. Price
Commander,
USAF Band of Mid-America

Lieutenant Colonel Daniel L. Price joined the United States Air Force in 1995. After graduating from Officer's Training School, he served as a Staff Officer at the United States Air Force Band at Bolling Air Force Base, Washington D.C. and directed The United States Air Force "Singing Sergeants." In 1999 he was assigned to Offutt Air Force Base, Nebraska, where he served as the Deputy Commander and Assistant Conductor of the United States Air Force Heartland of America Band. Colonel Price received command of the United States Air Force Band of the Pacific-Asia in June 2003 and was named Pacific Air Forces Band Officer of the Year that same year, and then USAF Band Officer of the Year in 2005. While in Japan, Colonel Price had the privilege of leading the United States Air Force team in the International Marching Festival at the Tokyo Budokan in 2003 and 2005, and took the Band of the Pacific-Asia on a tour of Thailand where they had the honor of performing both for and with King Rama IX. After spending a year at Maxwell AFB in Montgomery, Alabama, to attend Air Command and Staff College, Colonel Price took command of the USAF Band of Mid-America in July of 2008. Upon returning from a deployment to the Middle East in September 2009, Colonel Price was selected for the rank of Lieutenant Colonel.

Originally hailing from Muskegon, Michigan, Colonel Price resided in the Dayton, Ohio area for 15 years prior to joining the United States Air Force. While there he was an active member of Dayton's musical community, and held concurrent positions as Adjunct Professor of Voice at Wright State University, Director of Bands and Choruses at Dayton Christian School, and Assistant Music Director at Fairhaven Church.

Colonel Price holds a Bachelor of Music Education degree from Cedarville College in Ohio, and his Master of Music and Doctorate of Musical Arts degrees from the University of Cincinnati, College-Conservatory of Music. He graduated from the Air Force Squadron Officer School in 2002 and earned a Master of Military Operational Art and Science from the Air Command and Staff College in 2007. Among his many collegiate awards, he received the John E. Kohl Music Award for service and outstanding musicianship and the Riedvelt Fine Arts Award for service and outstanding performance in the arts. In addition to his academic pursuits, Colonel Price participated in conducting master classes with renowned conductors Robert Shaw, Craig Kirchoff, H. Robert Reynolds, and Alan McMurray. His decorations include the Air Force Meritorious Service Medal, Air Force Commendation Medal with two Oak Leaf Clusters, the Air Force Achievement Medal with Oak Leaf Cluster, the Air Force Outstanding Unit Award with 2 Oak Leaf Clusters, the Air Force Organizational Excellence Award with 2 Oak Leaf Clusters, and the Global War on Terrorism Service and Expeditionary Medals.

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