



UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
Band of Mid-America

Biography

Technical Sergeant Keisha Gwin
NCOIC, Starlifter
USAF Band of Mid-America

Technical Sergeant Keisha Gwin is a vocalist with the United States Air Force Band of Mid-America. She is a member of the Concert Band and Shades of Blue Jazz Ensemble.

Sergeant Gwin joined the Air Force in 1997 and was stationed at Headquarters Air Force Special Operations Command at Hurlburt Field, FL as a logistics technician in the 16th Helicopter Generation Squadron. In 1999 she performed on a one year tour with the Air Force entertainment group Tops in Blue. Following Tops in Blue, Sergeant Gwin auditioned for the U.S. Air Force Bands and Music program and was stationed with the Band of Liberty at Hanscom Air Force Base.

In 2004, she deployed to southwest Asia for the Air Force Band's career field first-ever deployment under OIF/OEF. While stationed at Hanscom, Sergeant Gwin was named Noncommissioned Officer of the Year for the Band of Liberty and for Headquarters Electronic Systems Center. In 2005, Sergeant Gwin was assigned with the U.S. Air Forces in Europe Band for three years where she was named Noncommissioned Officer of the Year for the U.S. Air Forces in Europe Band and Ramstein Public Affairs. Sergeant Gwin arrived at the Band of Mid-America in 2008. In 2009, she deployed on a joint humanitarian mission with the USNS Hospital Ship Comfort, another first for the Air Force Band's career field. Sergeant Gwin was named the 2009 Noncommissioned Officer of the Year for the Band of Mid-America as well Air Mobility Command's (AMC) Outstanding Band Noncommissioned Officer. Additionally Sergeant Gwin was named the 2011 AMC Public Affairs Outstanding Bandsman Noncommissioned Officer of the Year and the AMC Public Affairs Outstanding Communications Noncommissioned Officer of the Year.

Sergeant Gwin has studied voice with Berklee College of Music voice professors, Jan Shapiro and Charles Sorrento, as well as Janice Borla, professional singer and voice professor at North Central College in Naperville, IL. As a musician, Sergeant Gwin has developed competence as a vocalist and is versatile in style, singing jazz, rock, pop, blues and ballads. As a recording artist, she has been featured on six United States Air Force Band recording projects and a handful of demos including Stone Crazy by the J. Geils Band.

In her time with the Air Force Band, Sergeant Gwin has performed with Jamie O'Neal, Lee Greenwood, John Popper and Latin pop stars Melina Leon and Juanes.

In addition to being selected for Senior Airman Below-the-Zone in 2000, Sergeant Gwin's military awards include the Meritorious Service Medal, the Air Force Commendation Medal with two oak leaf clusters, the Air Force Achievement Medal with one oak leaf cluster and the Navy Achievement Medal.

Sergeant Gwin is a Communications and Journalism Major with the University of Maryland.