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Georgia Southern Armstrong Campus to host performance by U.S. Air Force clarinet quartet

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Woodwind fans in the Savannah area have a chance to see a nationally touring clarinet quartet on the Georgia Southern University Armstrong Campus. Mission Winds, a component of the United States Air Force Band of the West, will be performing at the Fine Arts Auditorium on Sept. 20 at 7:30 p.m.

Mission Winds is stationed at Lackland Air Force Base near San Antonio, Texas. The ensemble, comprised of eb, bb and bass clarinets, is dedicated to presenting to its audiences the total spectrum of today's musical literature.

Russell Brown, Ph.D., assistant professor of music, said he's excited for the quartet to come to Savannah.

"The service bands have long been an example of fine musicianship and a demonstration of a viable career path for performance majors," Brown said. "It is a pleasure to host such a fine group at our University."

The members of Mission Winds bring to the United States Air Force many years of professional experience with symphony orchestras, chamber ensembles, touring shows and today's popular artists. Currently the ensemble performs for civilian and military audiences throughout the southern region of the United States.

The group supports music education through clinics and master classes to elementary through college-aged students and presents performance tours throughout Texas, Oklahoma, Louisiana, Mississippi, Alabama, Georgia and Florida. Mission Winds has performed at various high schools, elementary schools, middle schools, and universities and has been featured at the Texas Music Educators Association conventions, benefiting both the students and performers.

For more information, please visit the Band of the West at www.bandofthewest.af.mil, or on Facebook at www.facebook.com/bandofthewest.

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