

## **Tenor Anthony Kearns Salutes America 's Veterans with The Air Force Band on Maryland Public Television**

*Veterans Day Concert to be Re-Broadcast Tonight at 8 p.m. ET*

WASHINGTON -- On Veteran's Day, [Tenor Anthony Kearns](#) made his debut with the [U.S. Air Force Band](#) in the live broadcast of "[America's Veterans: A Musical Tribute](#)." The hour-long program will be rebroadcast tonight – November 13, 2012 at 8 p.m. ET – on [Maryland Public Television \(MPT\)](#). It will be live-streamed at [www.mpt.org/americasveterans#live](http://www.mpt.org/americasveterans#live).

The Air Force concert features vignettes about brave military members from each branch of service and guest performances by [Mr. Kearns](#) of [The Irish Tenors](#), and [Ruben Studdard](#). Both artists rose to fame after winning national singing competitions: Kearns won "Ireland's Search for a Tenor" in 1993 and Studdard (a.k.a "The Velvet Teddy Bear") won "[American Idol](#)" ten years later.

[Mr. Kearns](#) said he was honored to sing with the U.S. Air Force Band and to perform at military benefits as his way of "giving back to those who protect and defend freedom around the globe."

During the Veteran's Day program, Kearns sings a sensational rendition of "Bring Him Home" from the famous musical [Les Miserables](#) based on the novel by [Victor Hugo](#). French composer [Claude-Michel Schonberg](#) composed the [Tony Award](#)-winning score in 1980. The motion-picture adaptation of this global box-office hit comes to the silver screen in December 2012.

Mr. Kearns also sings, for the first time, "O' America," a beautiful song resulting from a collaborative effort between Irish songwriter Brendan Graham and American William Joseph. Graham also wrote "You Raise Me Up" with Rolf Loveland, and "Isle of Hope, Isle of Tears," performed by The Irish Tenors during their first [PBS](#) Special, "Live from Ellis Island."

Kearns joined Mr. Studdard and the Air Force Band in the grand finale of "God Bless America." Studdard also sang two solos: "America the Beautiful" and his cover of "Flying without Wings," which was originally released by the Irish band, Westlife.

News about Kearns' role in the Veteran's Day Special first broke on [The Mike Huckabee Radio Show](#). Said Governor Huckabee: "Anthony Kearns is one of the amazing tenors of our time... I've had him on my Fox News television show [and] it was one of the most loved shows that we ever did... He sang '[The Lord's Prayer](#)' and it was just absolutely masterful." Kearns also sang "[Danny Boy](#)" during his first appearance on [Huckabee](#), the No. 1-rated weekend show on the Fox News Network, in April 2010, and he returned in March of 2011 to dedicate "[Ave Maria](#)" to the U.S. military.

Mr. Kearns and The Irish Tenors have ten [CDs](#), five [PBS](#) television specials, and are among the top three highest-grossing acts for [PBS](#). As a solo artist, Kearns is a respected ambassador for Ireland, frequently lending his voice for many premier military ceremonies and benefits such as the [USO](#), the [Vietnam Veterans Memorial Fund](#), [ThanksUSA](#), and others.

Mr. Kearns' appearance with the Air Force Band was arranged by [Kirsten Fedewa & Associates, L.L.C.](#)

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