THE UNITED STATES COAST GUARD'S GUARDIANS BIG BAND is a sixteen-piece jazz orchestra that brings the infectious joy and spirit of America’s original art form through sounds of swing, jazz, improvised solos, and classics from the Great American Songbook. Stationed at the United States Coast Guard Academy in New London, Connecticut, the members are drawn from the larger 55-piece Coast Guard Band. The Guardians feature prominently in the Coast Guard Band’s performance calendar, playing for public audiences, official military functions, and Coast Guard morale events, and the ensemble has presented concerts with guest performing artists such as Lou Marini and Doc Severinsen.