

# Master Sergeant Mark S. Miller

A native of Salisbury, Maryland, Master Sgt. Miller began his music and brass instruction in the public school system at age nine and later studied privately with Wilma Gonia and Doug Miles. Prior to graduation from Parkside High School, he performed as a mellophone bugle soloist with the Crossmen Drum and Bugle Corps from West Chester, PA., during their 1985-1986 touring season. Following graduation from Recruit Training at Marine Corps Recruit Depot, Parris Island, SC, he attended the Armed Forces School of Music at the Naval Amphibious Base, Little Creek, VA. Graduating as a soprano bugler, he reported to Marine Barracks, Washington, D.C. in 1988 for duty with "The Commandant's Own."

Since reporting to Marine Barracks, Washington, D.C., Master Sgt. Miller has served in a variety of duties including Soprano Bugler, Soloist, Section Leader, Operations Chief, Company Gunnery Sergeant, and Assistant Drum Major.

In addition to being a Soprano Bugler, Master Sgt. Miller held the coveted position of Ceremonial Bugler for six parade seasons, the title given to one bugler for performing numerous "calls" including "Taps" at parades and ceremonies.

Master Sgt. Miller assumed his current duties as Drum Major and Company First Sergeant in 2000.