

## SCHOOL CHILDREN WOWED BY U.S. FLEET FORCES BAND

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The recent performance at Saltus Grammar Junior School by the Brass Ensemble of the U.S. Navy Fleet Forces Band combined elements of professionalism and fun. Each musician knew how to command his instrument, how to interact with the audience, and most importantly, how to have fun.

The ensemble played old American favorites like “The Liberty Bell” and “Amazing Grace.” The sound coming from these beautiful brass instruments captivated the 7 to 10 year old audience. The ensemble was sensitive to its audience and obviously enjoyed making the children laugh and giving them a chance to enjoy music.

At the end of their performance, which was far too short, the ensemble engaged in a “Question and Answer” session. The young children were so excited to have this opportunity and numerous hands shot up into the air. Even as the children were filing out of the auditorium, a few lagged behind to get some one-on-one time with the musicians.

It was obvious that this musical performance by the Brass Ensemble of the U.S. Navy Fleet Forces Band inspired the young Saltus students, who enjoyed it more than any other assembly that they had ever attended.