

...music speaks

For Concert Band, Grade 3
By Randall D. Standridge (ASCAP)

Instrumentation

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| 1 - Full Score | 4 - Bb Trumpet 1 |
| 8 - Flute | 4 - Bb Trumpet 2 |
| 2 - Oboe (opt. Flute 2) | 4 - F Horn |
| 2 - Bassoon | 4 - Trombone |
| 5 - Bb Clarinet 1 | 4 - Euphonium B.C. (opt. Trb.2) |
| 5 - Bb Clarinet 2 | 2 - Euphonium T.C. |
| 2 - Bb Bass Clarinet | 4 - Tuba |
| 6 - Eb Alto Saxophone | |
| 2 - Bb Tenor Saxophone | |
| 2 - Eb Baritone Saxophone | |
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| 2 - Mallets 1: Bells | |
| 2 - Mallets 2: Chimes | |
| 2 - Mallets 3: Vibraphone | |
| 2 - Timpani (4) | |
| 2 - Percussion 1: Suspended Cymbal | |
| 2 - Percussion 2: Triangle/Bass Drum/Sleigh Bells | |
| 2 - Percussion 3: Wind Chimes/Crash Cymbals/Finger Cymbals | |

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The Dragon Lord (1.5)
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A Festival of Carols (1.5)
Starfire Fanfare (1.5)
Fanfare for the 16th Empire (1.5)
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Creer (2)
Spero (2)
Hillside March (2)
Earthdawn (2.5)
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...music speaks (3)
On an Olde English Carol (3)
Gallowglass (3)
Precious Lord, Take My Hand (3.5)

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Providence (4)
Havana Nights (4)
Vanishing Point (4)
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unBroken (5)

PERCUSSION ENSEMBLES

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3x3 (Grade 3)

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Program Notes

While I can't speak for all composers, I know that, for myself, I often find musical ideas that I wish to explore more than once. Such is the case with ...music speaks.

A couple of years ago, I wrote a work called *Where words end...* which was intended to be a lyrical work that was about "nothing." It was 100% abstract, contained no program, and allowed me to explore some musical colors and harmonies without being beholden to a central idea or theme. It was very liberating.

...music speaks continues this idea, with some similar harmonic language and colors, but at a higher developmental level. Like its sister work, it is an abstract soundscape, and the way every listener will react to it will be solely based on the emotions and ideas that they themselves bring to it. Some may hear passion, some may hear sadness, others may hear anger, regret, hope, and peace. Every listener's experience will be unique to them.

This work was commissioned by the Maysville Band Program (Maysville, MO) and their director, Elizabeth Betts. The work was written in memory of Sheriff Andy Clark, beloved father, husband, and hero.

Rehearsal suggestions

- The single most important element of this composition will be the tone quality of the performers. The sounds should always be open and beautiful, never strained or strident.
- This work features multiple tempo changes that enhance the emotional and aesthetic impact; make sure these are rehearsed so that performers are very comfortable with the interpretation.
- While some conductors may be tempted to alter the tempo of the work, it is strongly discouraged. Tempo is as much an element of a composition as the notes, articulations, and harmonies. If this piece is too slow, it will lose much of its kaleidoscopic effect.
- Dynamics should be noticeable and taken to extremes.
- Vibrato should be used throughout when appropriate, particularly in the flute, oboe, and saxophone lines.

About the Composer



Randall Standridge (b.1976) received his Bachelor of Music Education from Arkansas State University. During this time, he studied composition with Dr. Tom O'Connor, before returning to Arkansas State University to earn his Master's in Music Composition, studying with Dr. Tom O'Connor and Dr. Tim Crist. From 2001 to 2013, he served as the Director of Bands at Harrisburg High School in Harrisburg, Arkansas.

Mr. Standridge is currently published by Grand Mesa Music, Alfred Music, FJH Music, Wingert-Jones Music, BandWorks Publications, Twin Towers Music, and Northeastern Music Publications. Mr. Standridge has had several of his pieces performed internationally, and has had numerous works selected to the J.W. Pepper's Editor's Choice and Bandworld Top 100 lists. His compositions *Snake Charmer*, *Gently Blows the Summer Wind*, and *Angelic Celebrations* also published are included in *Teaching Music through Performance in Band* series. He has had several works performed at the Midwest Music Clinic in Chicago, IL. His work *Art(isms)* was premiered by the Arkansas State University Wind Ensemble at the 2010 CBDNA conference in Las Cruces, New Mexico. Mr. Standridge is also a contributing composer for Alfred Music's *Sound Innovations: Ensemble Development* series. His music is gaining recognition as worthwhile literature for concert festivals and performances across the United States and internationally.

In addition to his career as a composer, Mr. Standridge is the Marching Band Editor for Grand Mesa Music Publishers. He is in demand as a conductor, clinician, drill designer, composer, and music arranger for the marching arts. He is also a freelance artist, photographer, and writer. He lives in Jonesboro, AR with his family. For more information about Mr. Standridge, visit his website at: www.randallstandridge.com



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Score
Grade 3
Duration: 4:45

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Pensive ♩=90

The musical score consists of six systems of staves, each containing multiple parts for various instruments. The instruments listed on the left are: Flute, Oboe (opt. Flute 2), Bassoon, B- Clarinet 1, B- Clarinet 2, B- Bass Clarinet, E- Alto Saxophone, B- Tenor Saxophone, E- Baritone Saxophone, B- Trumpet 1, B- Trumpet 2, Horn in F, Trombone, Euphonium (opt. Trb.2), Tuba, Mallets 1 (Bells), Mallets 2 (Chimes), Mallets 3 (Vibraphone), Timpani, Percussion 1 (Suspended Cymbal), Percussion 2 (Triangle/Bass Drum/Sleigh Bells), and Percussion 3 (Wind Chimes/Crash Cymbals/Finger Cymbals). The score includes dynamic markings such as *p*, *mp*, and *pp*. Performance instructions like "Hard acrylic mallets" and "Sus. Cym (Yarn Mallets)" are also present. Measure numbers 1 through 6 are indicated at the bottom of each system.

1 2 3 4 5 6

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2

12

...music speaks

3

poco rit.

a tempo

poco rit.

Musical score for orchestra and percussion, measures 13 to 18. The score includes parts for Flute (Fl.), Oboe (Ob.), Bassoon (Bsn.), Bass Clarinet 1 (Bb Cl. 1), Bass Clarinet 2 (Bb Cl. 2), Bass Clarinet (B. Cl.), Alto Saxophone (A. Sx.), Tenor Saxophone (T. Sx.), Bass Saxophone (B. Sx.), Bass Trombone (Bb Tpt. 1), Trombone (Bb Tpt. 2), Horn (Hn.), Trombone (Tbn.), Euphonium (Euph.), Tuba, Mallets 1 (Mal. 1), Mallets 2 (Mal. 2), Mallets 3 (Mal. 3), Timpani (Timp.), Percussion 1 (Perc. 1), Percussion 2 (Perc. 2), and Percussion 3 (Perc. 3).

The score features a dynamic section starting with *poco rit.*, followed by *a tempo*, and ending with *poco rit.*. Various instruments play eighth-note patterns, sustained notes, and sustained chords. Dynamics include *mp*, *mf*, *pp*, *p*, and *dim.* (diminuendo). Measure 18 concludes with *Div.* (division).

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21 a tempo

Fl. *p*

Ob. *p*

Bsn. *p* *mp*

B. Cl. 1 Tremolo (rapidly alternate between pitches) *p* *pp*

B. Cl. 2 Tremolo (rapidly alternate between pitches) *p* *pp*

B. Cl. *p* *mp*

A. Sx. *p*

T. Sx. *p*

B. Sx. *p* *mp*

B. Tpt. 1 *Play* *p* *Solo* *mf*

B. Tpt. 2 *p*

Hn. *p*

Tbn. *p*

Euph. *p* *p* *mp*

Tuba *p* *mp*

Mal. 1 *p* *mp*

Mal. 2 *p* *mp*

Mal. 3 *p* *g* *g* *g*

Tim. *p*

Perc. 1 *mp*

Perc. 2 *p*

Perc. 3 *p*

...music speaks

poco rit.

27 a tempo

rit.

Fl.

Ob.

Bsn.

B♭ Cl. 1

B♭ Cl. 2

B. Cl.

A. Sx.

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

B♭ Tpt. 1

B♭ Tpt. 2

Hn.

Tbn.

Euph.

Tuba

Mal. 1

Mal. 2

Mal. 3

Timp.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Perc. 3

...music speaks

31 a tempo**35**

Fl.

Ob.

Bsn.

B. Cl. 1

B. Cl. 2

B. Cl.

A. Sx.

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

Tuba

B. Tpt. 1

B. Tpt. 2

Hn.

Tbn.

Euph.

Tuba

Mal. 1

Mal. 2

Mal. 3

Tim.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Perc. 3

...music speaks

7

rit.

Fl.

Ob.

Bsn.

B. Cl. 1

B. Cl. 2

B. Cl.

A. Sx.

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

B. Tpt. 1

B. Tpt. 2

Hn.

Tbn.

Euph.

Tuba

Mal. 1

Mal. 2

Mal. 3

Timp.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Perc. 3

37

38

39

40

41

42

...music speaks

43 Slightly Faster **$\text{♩}=96$**

Fl.

Ob.

Bsn.

B. Cl. 1

B. Cl. 2

B. Cl.

A. Sx.

T. Sx.

Play

B. Sx.

B. Tpt. 1

B. Tpt. 2

Hn.

Tbn.

Euph.

Tuba

Mal. 1

Mal. 2

Mal. 3

Timp.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Perc. 3

...music speaks

51

Div.

Fl.

Ob.

Bsn.

B. Cl. 1

B. Cl. 2

B. Cl.

A. Sx.

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

B. Tpt. 1

B. Tpt. 2

Hn.

Tbn.

Euph.

Tuba

Mal. 1

Mal. 2

Mal. 3

Tim.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Perc. 3

...music speaks

Moving Forward ♩=100

rit.

F.
Ob.
Bsn.
B. Cl. 1
B. Cl. 2
B. Cl.
A. Sx.
T. Sx.
B. Sx.

B. Tpt. 1
B. Tpt. 2
Hn.
Tbn.
Euph.
Tuba

Mal. 1
Mal. 2
Mal. 3
Timp.

Perc. 1
Perc. 2
Perc. 3

f

Play

f

dim.

D. to B.

p

f

p

f

p

f

f

Crash Cymbals

Pensive ♩=90

65

Fl.

Ob.

Bsn.

B. Cl. 1

B. Cl. 2

B. Cl.

A. Sx.

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

B. Tpt. 1

B. Tpt. 2

Hn.

Tbn.

Euph.

Tuba

Mal. 1

Mal. 2

Mal. 3
(barely present)

Timp.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Perc. 3

...music speaks

rit. **72 Moving Forward** $\text{♩} = 108$

Fl.

Ob.

Bsn.

B. Cl. 1

B. Cl. 2

B. Cl.

A. Sx.

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

B. Tpt. 1

B. Tpt. 2

Hn.

Tbn.

Euph.

Tuba

Mal. 1

Mal. 2

Mal. 3

Timp.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Perc. 3

Sus. Cym.

Crash Cymbals

67 68 69 70 71 72 73

...music speaks

13

rit.

The musical score consists of two systems of staves, each containing ten staves of music. The instruments are arranged in two rows: woodwind and brass/percussion. The first system (measures 74-77) includes Flute, Oboe, Bassoon, Bassoon Clarinet 1, Bassoon Clarinet 2, Bassoon Clarinet, Alto Saxophone, Tenor Saxophone, Bass Saxophone, Bass Trombone, Trombone, Horn, Euphonium, Tuba, and three Mellophones. The second system (measures 78-79) includes Timpani, Percussion 1, Percussion 2, and Percussion 3. Measure 74 starts with a dynamic of *p*. Measures 75 and 76 show various dynamics including *cresc.*, *fp*, *mf*, and *f*. Measure 77 begins with *a tempo* and ends with *rit.* Measure 78 starts with *f* and ends with *p*. Measure 79 ends with *f*.

Fl.
Ob.
Bsn.
B. Cl. 1
B. Cl. 2
B. Cl.
A. Sx.
T. Sx.
B. Sx.
B. Tpt. 1
B. Tpt. 2
Hn.
Tbn.
Euph.
Tuba
Mal. 1
Mal. 2
Mal. 3
Timp.
Perc. 1
Perc. 2
Perc. 3

...music speaks

80 Flowing $\text{♩}=100$

rit.

Fl.
Ob.
Bsn.
B. Cl. 1
B. Cl. 2
B. Cl.
A. Sx.
T. Sx.
B. Sx.

B. Tpt. 1
B. Tpt. 2
Hn.
Tbn.
Euph.
Tuba

Mal. 1
Mal. 2
Mal. 3
Timp.

Perc. 1
Perc. 2
Perc. 3

Sighing ♩=88 *poco rit.*

Fl.
Ob.
Bsn.

mf *mp* *p*

Bb Cl. 1
Bb Cl. 2
Div.
B. Cl.
A. Sx.
T. Sx.
Div.
B. Sx.

mp
p
tr
Clar. 2
p
Bassoon

Bb Tpt. 1
Bb Tpt. 2
Hn.
Tbn.
Euph.
Div.
Tuba

mf
mf
mf
mf
mf
mf
mf

Mal. 1
Mal. 2
Mal. 3
Timp.

mf

Perc. 1
Perc. 2
Perc. 3

mp

Moving Forward ♩=100

...music speaks

94

poco rit.

Fl. *p*

Ob.

Bsn. *mp* dim.

B. Cl. 1

B. Cl. 2 *mp* dim.

B. Cl. *mp* dim.

A. Sx. *p* Clar. 2

T. Sx. *mp* Bassoon dim.

B. Sx. *mp* dim.

B. Tpt. 1

Horn in F

B. Tpt. 2 *mp* dim.

Hn. *mp* dim.

Tbn.

Euph. Bassoon

Tuba *mp* dim.

Mal. 1

Mal. 2

Mal. 3

Tim. dim.

Perc. 1 *p* *mp*

Perc. 2

Perc. 3

Pensive ♩=90

Fl.

Ob.

Bsn.

B. Cl. 1

B. Cl. 2

B. Cl.

A. Sx.

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

B. Tpt. 1

B. Tpt. 2

Hn.

Div.

Tbn.

Euph.

Tuba

Mal. 1

Mal. 2

Mal. 3

Tim.

Sus. Cym. Bell (stick)

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Perc. 3