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FJH FULL CONCERT BAND

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COUNTRY BANDSTAND

- I. MARCH
- II. CHORALE
- III. BARN DANCE

James Syler

Instrumentation

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|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| 1 - Conductor's Full Score | 2 - Trombone 1 |
| 1 - Piccolo | 2 - Trombone 2 |
| 4 - Flute 1 | 2 - Trombone 3 |
| 4 - Flute 2 | 2 - Baritone/
Euphonium |
| 2 - Oboe | 2 - Baritone T.C. |
| 2 - Bassoon | 4 - Tuba |
| 4 - B♭ Clarinet 1 | 1 - Timpani |
| 4 - B♭ Clarinet 2 | 2 - Mallet Percussion |
| 4 - B♭ Clarinet 3 | Bells
Xylophone |
| 2 - B♭ Bass Clarinet | 4 - Percussion 1 |
| 2 - E♭ Alto Saxophone 1 | Snare Drum |
| 2 - E♭ Alto Saxophone 2 | Field Drum |
| 2 - B♭ Tenor Saxophone | Bass Drum |
| 2 - E♭ Baritone Saxophone | 2 - Percussion 2 |
| 3 - B♭ Trumpet 1 | Crash Cymbals |
| 3 - B♭ Trumpet 2 | Suspended Cymbal |
| 3 - B♭ Trumpet 3 | Wood Block |
| 2 - F Horn 1 | |
| 2 - F Horn 2 | |

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The Composer

James Syler (b. 1961) was born in Hyde Park, New York, and raised in New York and Florida. In 1983, he received a B.M. degree from Northern Illinois University, and in 1988 an M.M. degree from the University of Miami. In 1991, he continued his studies at the University of Texas at Austin. Mr. Syler has studied composition privately with composers Alfred Reed, Karl Korte, and Pulitzer prizewinner Michael Colgrass.

Equally at ease with modern and traditional techniques, Mr. Syler's compositions have been noted for their lyricism, energy, and drama. His personal style is eclectic and innovative, yet communicates with a variety of audiences. Band, wind ensemble, orchestral, chamber, and choral works have been performed throughout the United States, Europe, and South America.

Awards include the 1993 National Band Association Composition Award, two grants from the American Music Center in New York, the 1993 Arnald Gabriel Composition Award, and numerous commissions. Mr. Syler has been on the music faculty at the University of Texas at San Antonio since 2001, and teaches private composition and courses in American music.

About the Music

This work was commissioned by the Bishop Ireton Symphonic Wind Ensemble in Alexandria, Virginia, with Garwood Whaley as director. The title suggests the sounds and history of the traditional town square with its open-air gazebo or bandstand, which was so common in small-town America. All three movements are loosely based on American folk songs. The first movement is based on the southern folk song *Bachelor's Hall*. The second movement is a chorale setting of the folk hymn *Vernon*. And the final movement uses the folk tune *Happy Land*, transformed into a barn dance.

My intention in this piece was to pay respect to American folk song, as well as to the history of the American concert band, which was and still remains a vital part of musical life in countless small towns. The work was completed in January 2002 in San Antonio, Texas.

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I. March

The authorship of the southern American folk song, *Bachelor's Hall*, is unknown. It was notated in *Folksongs of Florida* by Alton C. Morris from the recording of Mrs. W.R. Guerry of Sanford, Florida, as she had learned the song from her mother who grew up in Darien, Georgia. The text of the song speaks of the carefree life of a bachelor and scorns the bonds of matrimony. The original tune has no B section, so I composed one that retains the character of the tune. By adding a bass line and upbeats, the tune is transformed into a traditional march. Below is the original tune.



II. Chorale

This movement is a chorale setting of the folk hymn *Vernon*, which was written by Amzi Chapin (1768–1835), a songwriter, bookseller, and master in the singing-school system that was so common throughout early 19th-century America. The meter has been changed to $\frac{3}{4}$, while the tune itself has been extensively reharmonized to include numerous moving lines. Below is the original tune.



III. Barn Dance

The authorship of the folk tune *Happy Land* is also uncertain, but this particular version of the original tune was written by Leonard Breedlove in the mid-1800s. The tune is transformed into a barn dance by using more syncopation, grace notes, and a strong bass line. Below is the original tune.



James Syfer

COUNTRY BANDSTAND

I. March

JAMES SYLER
(BMI)Moderato ($\text{J}=116$)

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Musical score for Country Bandstand I. March, featuring parts for Piccolo, Flutes 1 & 2, Oboe, Bassoon, B♭ Clarinets 1 & 2, B♭ Bass Clarinet, E♭ Alto Saxophones 1 & 2, B♭ Tenor Saxophone, E♭ Baritone Saxophone, B♭ Trumpets 1 & 2, F Horns 1 & 2, Trombones 1 & 2, Baritone/Euphonium, Tuba, Timpani, Mallet Percussion (Bells), Percussion 1 (Snare Drum, Field Drum, Bass Drum), and Percussion 2 (Crash Cymbals). The score includes dynamic markings such as *mf*, *p*, *mp*, and *a2*. Measure numbers 2, 3, and 4 are indicated at the bottom.

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Picc.

Fls. 1
2

Ob.

Bsn.

Cl. 1
2
3

B. Cl.

A. Saxes 1
2

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

Tpts. 1
2
3

Hns. 1
2

Tbns. 1
2
3

Bar./
Euph.

Tuba

Timp.

Mlt. Perc.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

a2

mp

mp

mp

a2

mp

6 7 8 9 10

13

Picc.

Fls. 1
2

Ob.

Bsn.

Cl. 1
2

B. Cl.

A. Saxes 1
2

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

Tpts. 1
2

Hns. 1
2

Tbn. 1
2

Bar./
Eup.

Tuba

Timp.

Mlt. Perc.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

11

12

13 *mf*

14

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Picc.

Fls. 1
2

Ob.

Bsn.

Cl. 1
2
3

B. Cl.

A. Saxes 1
2

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

21

Tpts. 1
2
3

Hns. 1
2

Tbns. 1
2
3

Bar./
Euph.

Tuba

Timp.

Mlt. Perc.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

21 22 23 24 25

Picc.

Fls. 1

Ob.

Bsn.

Cls. 1

Cls. 2

Cls. 3

B. Cl.

A. Saxes 1

A. Saxes 2

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

Tpts. 1

Tpts. 2

Tpts. 3

Hns. 1

Hns. 2

Tbns. 1

Tbns. 2

Tbns. 3

Bar./Euph.

Tuba

Timp.

Mlt. Perc.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

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Picc.

Fls. 1
2

Ob.

Bsn.

Cl. 1
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B. Cl.

A. Saxes 1
2

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

Tpts. 1
2
3

Hns. 1
2

Tbn. 1
2
3

Bar./Euph.

Tuba

Timp.

Mlt. Perc.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

41

Picc.

Fls. 1
2

Ob.

Bsn.

1 Cls. *mp*
2
3

B. Cl. *mp*

A. Saxes 1
2 *mp*

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

41

Tpts. 1 *mp*
2
3 *mp*

Hns. 1
2 *mf*

Tbns. 1
2
3

Bar./
Euph.

Tuba

Tim.

Mlt. Perc.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

41 42 43 44 45 46

Picc.

Fls. 1 2

Ob.

Bsn.

Cl. 1 2 3

B. Cl.

A. Saxes 1 2

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

Tpts. 1 2 3

Hns. 1 2

Tbns. 1 2 3

Bar./Euph.

Tuba

Tim.

Mlt. Perc.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

47 48 49 50 51

53

52 > 53 f

54 55 56

Picc.

Fls. 1
2

Ob.

Bsn.

Cl. 1
2
3

B. Cl.

A. Saxes 1
2

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

Tpts. 1
2
3

Hns. 1
2

Tbns. 1
2
3

Bar./
Euph.

Tuba

Timp.

Mlt. Perc.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

61

57 58 59 60 61

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II. Chorale

Andante ($\text{J}=76$)

Tacet (Flute 1 part appears and can be played on flute)

Piccolo

Flutes 1 2

Oboe

Bassoon

B♭ Clarinets 1 2 3

B♭ Bass Clarinet

E♭ Alto Saxophones 1 2

B♭ Tenor Saxophone

E♭ Baritone Saxophone

B♭ Trumpets 1 2 3

F Horns 1 2

Trombones 1 2 3

Baritone/Euphonium

Tuba

Timpani (Tacet)

Mallet Percussion (Bells)

Percussion 1 (Tacet)

Percussion 2 (Large Suspended Cymbal)

Andante ($\text{J}=76$)

Tacet

Tacet

Tacet

Fls. 1
Fls. 2
Ob.
Bsn.
Clrs. 1
Clrs. 2
Clrs. 3
B. Cl.
A. Saxes 1
A. Saxes 2
T. Sax.
B. Sax.
Tpts. 1
Tpts. 2
Tpts. 3
Hns. 1
Hns. 2
Tbns. 1
Tbns. 2
Tbns. 3
Bar./Euph.
Tuba
Mlt. Perc.
Perc. 2

a2
mf
mf

Hn.

9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16

17

Fls. 1
Fls. 2
Ob.
Bsn.
1 Cls.
2 Cls.
B. Cl.
A. Saxes 1
A. Saxes 2
T. Sax.
B. Sax.
17
Tpts. 1
Tpts. 2
Tpts. 3
Hns. 1
Hns. 2
Tbns. 1
Tbns. 2
Tbns. 3
Bar./Eup.
Tuba
Mlt. Perc.
Perc. 2

17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24

Fls. 1
Fls. 2
Ob.
Bsn.
Cl.
B. Cl.
A. Saxes 1
A. Saxes 2
T. Sax.
B. Sax.
Tpts. 1
Tpts. 2
Tpts. 3
Hns. 1
Hns. 2
Tbns. 1
Tbns. 2
Tbns. 3
Bar./Euph.
Tuba
Mlt. Perc.
Perc. 2

25 26 27 28 29 30 31 32

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Fls. 1 2
Ob.
Bsn.

Cls. 1
2 3
B. Cl.

A. Saxes 1 2
T. Sax.
B. Sax.

Tpts. 1 2 3

Hns. 1 2
Tbns. 1 2 3

Bar./ Euph.

Tuba

Mlt. Perc. Bells (hard rubber mallets)
mf

Perc. 2

33 34 35 36 37 38 39 40

Fls. 1 2 cresc. a2 rit.
Ob. cresc. decresc.
Bsn. cresc. decresc.

Cls. 1 cresc. f decresc.
2 cresc. f decresc.
3 cresc. f decresc.
B. Cl. cresc. f decresc.

A. Saxes 1 cresc. f decresc.
2 cresc. f decresc.
T. Sax. cresc. f decresc.
B. Sax. cresc. f decresc.

Tpts. 1 cresc. f decresc. rit.
2 cresc. f decresc.
3 mf cresc. f decresc.

Hns. 1 cresc. f decresc.
2 cresc. f decresc.
3 cresc. f decresc.

Tbns. 1 cresc. f decresc.
2 cresc. f decresc.
3 cresc. f decresc.

Bar./Euph. cresc. f decresc.
Tuba mf cresc. f decresc.

Mlt. Perc. mf cresc. f decresc.
Sus. Cym.

Perc. 2 Sus. Cym.

III. Barn Dance

Slowly ($\downarrow=60$) Lively ($\downarrow=120$)

10

Picc.

Fls. 1 2

Ob.

Bsn.

Cl. 1 2 3

B. Cl.

A. Saxes 1 2

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

Tpts. 1 2 3

Hns. 1 2

Tbns. 2 3

Bar./Euph.

Tuba

Tim.

Mlt. Perc.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Review Required

Picc.

Fls. 1
2

Ob.

Bsn.

Cl. 1
2
3

B. Cl.

A. Saxes 1
2

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

Tpts. 1
2
3

Hns. 1
2

Tbns. 1
2
3

Bar./Euph.

Tuba

Tim.

Mlt. Perc.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Picc.

Fls. 1
2

Ob.

Bsn.

Cls. 1
2
3

B. Cl.

A. Saxes 1
2

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

Tpts. 1
2
3

Hns. 1
2

Tbns. 1
2
3

Bar./Euph.

Tuba

Tim.

Mlt. Perc.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

20

20

(E♭ to D)

17 18 19 20 21

Picc. *mf*

Fls. 1, 2 *mf*

Ob. *mf*

Bsn.

Cls. 1 *mf*

Cls. 2, 3 *mf*

B. Cl.

A. Saxes 1, 2 *mf*

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

Tpts. 1, 2, 3 *p cresc.*

Hns. 1, 2

Tbns. 2, 3

Bar./Euph.

Tuba

Tim.

Mlt. Perc.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2 *p cresc.*

Picc.

Fls. 1 2

Ob.

Bsn.

Cl. 1

Cl. 2 3

B. Cl.

A. Saxes 1 2

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

Tpts. 1 2 3

Hns. 1 2

Tbns. 1 2 3

Bar./Euph.

Tuba

Tim.

Mlt. Perc.

R.S.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

32 > 33 34 > 35 36 >

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Picc.

Fls. 1
2

Ob.

Bsn.

Clz. 1
2
3

B. Cl.

A. Saxes 1
2

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

Tpts. 1
2
3

Hns. 1
2

Tbns. 1
2
3

Bar./Euph.

Tuba

Timp.

Mlt. Perc.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

38 **f**

(F to G \flat , G to A \flat , B \flat to E \flat , E \flat to E)

W.B.

play

37

38 **f**

39

40

41

Picc.

Fls. 1
2

Ob.

Bsn.

Cls. 1
2
3

B. Cl.

A. Saxes 1
2

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

Tpts. 1
2
3

Hns. 1
2

Tbns. 1
2
3

Bar./Euph.

Tuba

Timp.

Mlt. Perc.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Picc.

Fls. 1
2

Ob.

Bsn.

Cl. 1
2
3

B. Cl.

A. Saxes 1
2

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

Tpts. 1
2
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Hns. 1
2

Tbns. 1
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3

Bar./
Euph.

Tuba

Tim.

Mlt. Perc.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Slower ($\downarrow = 60$)

Picc.

Fls. 1
2

Ob.

Bsn.

Clz. 1
2

B. Cl.

A. Saxes 1
2

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

Tpts. 1
2

Hns. 1
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Tbns. 1
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Bar./Euph.

Tuba

Timp.

Mlt. Perc.

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Perc. 2

Slower ($\downarrow = 60$)

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