

MULTNOMAH

(Legend of the Falls)

William Owens

Instrumentation

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| 1 - Full Score | 2 - Baritone /
Euphonium |
| 4 - Flute 1 (Tenor Recorder) | 2 - Baritone T.C. |
| 4 - Flute 2 | 4 - Tuba |
| 2 - Oboe | 1 - String Bass |
| 2 - Bassoon | 1 - Timpani |
| 5 - B♭ Clarinet 1 | 2 - Mallet Percussion |
| 5 - B♭ Clarinet 2 | Vibraphone |
| 2 - B♭ Bass Clarinet | Optional Piano |
| 2 - E♭ Alto Saxophone 1 | Bells |
| 2 - E♭ Alto Saxophone 2 | 4 - Percussion 1 |
| 2 - B♭ Tenor Saxophone | Tom-toms |
| 2 - E♭ Baritone Saxophone | Bass Drum |
| 4 - B♭ Trumpet 1 | Bongos |
| 4 - B♭ Trumpet 2 | Snare Drum |
| 4 - F Horn | 4 - Percussion 2 |
| 2 - Trombone 1 | Bar Chimes |
| 2 - Trombone 2 | Rainstick |
| | Crash Cymbals |
| | Suspended Cymbals |
| | Sleigh Bells |

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As a result, all single page parts are collated before multiple page parts.





The Composer

William Owens (b. 1963) is a native of Gary, Indiana and a 1985 graduate of VanderCook College of Music in Chicago. A seasoned music educator, Mr. Owens is active as a composer, conductor and clinician throughout the United States and Canada. Mr. Owens has written nearly 200 commissioned and published works for concert band and string orchestra. His music has been programmed at prestigious venues such as the Midwest Clinic and appears on required music lists both nationally and abroad. Principal commissions include those from the California Band Directors Association, the Chicago Public Schools Bureau of Cultural Arts, the South Plains College Dept. of Fine Arts and the Texas University Interscholastic League. He is a consistent winner of the ASCAPPlus award and a two-time recipient of the Forrest L. Buchtel Citation for Excellence in Composition. Professional memberships include ASCAP, the American Composers Forum and the Texas MEA. William resides in Fort Worth, TX with his wife, Georgia.

Program Notes

Of the many tales of American folklore, the legend of Multnomah Falls is one of the most unusual and captivating. It tells of the Multnomah head chief's beautiful young daughter, who was betrothed to a young chief of the neighboring Clatsop tribe. In tribal tradition, there were several days of celebration as the young couple was greatly loved by their peoples. Then quite without warning, the happiness turned to sorrow when a sickness came over the village and claimed many lives. The Multnomah head chief summoned the chiefs of both tribes and declared "The Great Spirit is angry with us; how may we soften the Spirit's wrath?" It was agreed that a young maiden would go to a high cliff above the Big River and throw herself upon the rocks below as a sacrifice. Upon hearing this, the young princess secretly slipped away and followed the trail all night and the next day to the Big River. When she reached the cliff, she raised her arms and spoke to the Great Spirit; "You are angry with my people and I offer myself as a sacrifice. Please then show my people a sign of your acceptance and take away the sickness." She closed her eyes and jumped. The next day, all the sick people rose from their beds well and strong. Among the sick was the young Clatsop chief, who quickly noticed his lover was missing. He hurried along the trail to the Big River and found his princess on the rocks below. He then prayed to the Great Spirit, "Show us a sign that my beloved's sacrifice has pleased you." Almost instantly, he heard the sound of water above. A stream of silvery-white water came over the cliff and continued to float down in a beautiful waterfall.

Multnomah (Legend of the Falls) is comprised of three sections, each illustrating a different part of the tale. The slow and solemn beginning offers a picture of the village people, as they nurse their sick. A mournful chorale is soon heard, depicting the peoples' grief for those claimed by the sickness. The tempo becomes suddenly brisk when the young princess embarks on her errand of mercy. The melodic line is passed among various sections and the mood of the music portrays the princess' emotions, as she traverses the trail to the river. A climatic "whirl" of sound is heard when the princess leaps to her fate and the music again becomes solemn, as in the beginning. The waterfall is soon heard by way of the gentle woodwinds. As the music fades, the gentle blowing winds and leaves are heard, softly making their way through the village.

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(Legend of the Falls)

WILLIAM OWENS
(ASCAP)

Mysteriously (J=72)

Flutes (Tenor Recorder) 1, 2

Oboe

Bassoon

B♭ Clarinets 1, 2

B♭ Bass Clarinet

E♭ Alto Saxophones 1, 2

B♭ Tenor Saxophone

E♭ Baritone Saxophone

Bsn.

Mysteriously (J=72)
*Blow air softly through instrument while slowly working valves

B♭ Trumpets 1, 2

F Horn

Trombones 1, 2

Baritone / Euphonium

Tuba

Timpani

Mallet Percussion (Vibraphone [opt. Piano], Bells)

Percussion 1 (Tom-toms, Bass Drum, Bongos, Snare Drum)

Percussion 2 (Bar Chimes, Rainstick, Crash Cymbals, Suspended Cymbal, Sleigh Bells)



Fls. 1 2 *mf* Flute tutti 11

Ob.

Bsn. *p* *f* div.

Cls. 1 *p* *f* div.

B. Cl. *p* *f*

A. Saxes. 1 2 play *p* *f*

T. Sax. *p* *f*

B. Sax. play *p* *f*

Tpts. 1 2 *f*

Hn. *f*

Tbns. 1 2 8 *p* *f*

Bar. / Euph. *p* *f*

Tuba *p* *f*

Tim. *f* *p* *f*

Mlt. Perc. *f*

Perc. 1 *p* Sus. Cym. *f*

Perc. 2 *p* *f* *p* *f*

9 10 11 *f* 12 13 *f*

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poco rit.

play

Swiftly! (♩ = 144-152)

Fls. 1
2

Ob.

Bsn.

Fl. 1

mf

div.

mf

play

Cl. 1
2

mf

play div.

play

mp

B. Cl.

mp

play

Hn.

mp

A. Saxes. 1
2

#3

mf

play

+2

play

T. Sax.

play

mp

B. Sax.

mp

poco rit.

Swiftly! (♩ = 144-152)

Tpts. 1
2

Hn.

#8

Tbns. 1
2

18

div.

Bar. / Euph.

Tuba

Tim.

mf

Mlt. Perc.

Bongos (w/drum sticks)

mf

Perc. 1

B. Ch.

Perc. 2

mp

26

Fls. 1 2 Ob. Bsn. B. Cl. *mp*

Cl. 1 2 B. Cl. *mp*

A. Saxos. 1 2 T. Sax. B. Sax. play *1. mf* Hn. *mf* B. Cl. *mp*

Tpts. 1 2 Hn. *mf*

Tbns. 1 2 Bar. / Euph. B. Cl.

Tuba *mp*

Tim. Mlt. Perc. *mp*

Perc. 1 *mp* Rstck. Perc. 2

26 27 28 *mf* 29 30 31 32

34

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

play
play
mp
div.
play
play
mp
open
mp open
mp
mp
play
mp
mf
Sleigh Bells
mp

33 34 35 36 37 38

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Fls. 1
Fls. 2

Ob.

Bsn.

Cls. 1
Cls. 2

B. Cl.

A. Saxes. 1
A. Saxes. 2

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

Tpts. 1
Tpts. 2

Hn.

Tbns. 1
Tbns. 2

Bar. / Euph.

Tuba

Timp.

Mlt. Perc.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

42

39 40 41 42 43

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

44 45 46 47 48

Fls. 1
Fls. 2

Ob.

Bsn.

Cls. 1
div.
Cls. 2

B. Cl.

A. Saxes. 1
A. Saxes. 2

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

Tpts. 1
Tpts. 2

Hn.

Tbns. 1
Tbns. 2

Bar. / Euph.

Tuba

Timp.

Mlt. Perc.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Cr. Cym. f

49 50 51 52 53 54

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

55

56 57 58 59 60

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Fls. 1
Fls. 2

Ob.

Bsn.

Cls. 1
play
Cls. 2

B. Cl.

A. Saxos. 1
A. Saxos. 2

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

Tpts. 1
Tpts. 2

Hn.

Tbns. 1
Tbns. 2
mf

Bar. / Euph.

Tuba

Timp.

Mlt. Perc.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

68 69 70 71 Cr. Cym. mp 72 73 muffle

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74

Fls. 1
f

Ob. f mf

Bsn. f mf

Cl. 1 f mf

Cl. 2 f mf

B. Cl. f mf

A. Saxes. 1 f > >

T. Sax. f mf

B. Sax. f mf

Tpts. 1 f mf

Hn. f > >

Tbns. 1 f mf

Bar. / Euph. f mf

Tuba f mf

Tim. Solo f ff

Mlt. Perc. f

Perc. 1 mf

Perc. 2

74 f v 75 v 76 v 77 v 78 79

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

Sl. Bls.

Cr. Cym. f

80 81 mf 82 f 83 84 85

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

90

86 87 88 89 90 91

Fls. 1 2
Ob.
Bsn.

Cl. 1
Cl. 2

B. Cl.

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

Tpts. 1 2
Hn.
Tbns. 1 2
Bar. / Euph.
Tuba

Tim. *mp* *f* *mf* *ff*
Mlt. Perc.
Perc. 1 *mp* *f* *mf* *ff*
Sus. Cym.
Perc. 2 *snares off*

92 *mp* — 93 — 94 *f* — 95 — 96 —

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molto rit.

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

97 98 99 100 101

Pomposo ($\text{J} = 112$)

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102 103 104 ***ff*** 105 106 107 ***ff*** *gradually slower and softer*

109 Mysteriously ($\downarrow = 72$)

Tenor Recorder Solo

Fls. 1
Fls. 2
Ob.
Bsn.
1
2
Clss.
B. Cl.
1
2
A. Saxes.
T. Sax.
B. Sax.
1
2
Tpts.
Hn.
1
2
Tbns.
Bar. /
Euph.
Tuba
Tim.
Mlt. Perc.
Perc. 1
Perc. 2
Vibraphone
B. Ch.
Tenor Recorder Solo
Hn.
Solo
Hn.
Solo
B. Ch.

109 Mysteriously ($\downarrow = 72$)

108 109 110 111 112

120

molto rit.

Fls. 1
Ob.
Bsn.

1
2

Cl.
morendo – fade to silence

B. Cl.
p

A. Saxes. 1
2

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

Tpts. 1
2

open
*gradually blow/ move valves slower to end

morendo

Hn.

Tbns. 1
2

open
*gradually blow/ move rotors slower to end

move slide slower to end

morendo

Bar. / Euph.

Tuba

Tim.

Mlt. Perc.

Perc. 1

p

pp

ppp

pppp

B. Ch.

Rstk.

Sl. Bls.

fade to silence

119 120 121 122 123 p gradually slower... 124