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FJH FULL ORCHESTRA | CONCERT BAND

Playable by traditional full orchestra, concert band, or band and strings combined!

Grade 3.5 – 4

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SUPER (EM)POWERS

Brian Balmages**Instrumentation**

1 - Full Score
 4 - Flute 1
 4 - Flute 2 (Piccolo)
 2 - Oboe
 2 - Bassoon
 5 - B♭ Clarinet 1
 5 - B♭ Clarinet 2
 2 - B♭ Bass Clarinet
 2 - E♭ Alto Saxophone 1
 2 - E♭ Alto Saxophone 2
 2 - B♭ Tenor Saxophone
 2 - E♭ Baritone Saxophone
 4 - B♭ Trumpet 1
 4 - B♭ Trumpet 2

2 - F Horn 1
 2 - F Horn 2
 2 - Trombone 1
 2 - Trombone 2
 2 - Trombone 3
 2 - Baritone /
 Euphonium
 2 - Baritone T.C.
 4 - Tuba
 1 - Timpani
 2 - Mallet Percussion
 Vibraphone
 Marimba
 Bells
 2 - Percussion 1
 Snare Drum
 Ocean Drum
 Triangle
 2 - Percussion 2
 Crash Cymbals
 Suspended Cymbal
 Tam-tam
 Triangle
 Bass Drum
 8 - Violin 1
 8 - Violin 2
 5 - Viola
 5 - Violoncello
 5 - Double Bass
 1 - Harp

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Frank J. Hackinson



The Composer

Brian Balmages (b. 1975) is an award-winning composer, conductor, producer, and performer. The music he has written for winds, brass, and orchestra has been performed throughout the world with commissions ranging from elementary schools to professional orchestras. World premieres include prestigious venues such as Carnegie Hall, the Kennedy Center, and Meyerhoff Symphony Hall. His music was also performed as part of the 2013 Presidential Inaugural Prayer Service, which was attended by both President Obama and Vice President Biden. He received his bachelor's degree in music from James Madison University and his master's degree from the University of Miami in Florida. He is a recipient of the prestigious A. Austin Harding Award from the American School Band Directors Association and in 2016 was awarded the James Madison University Distinguished Alumni Award from the School of Visual and Performing Arts (the first year the award was given). In the same year, he was commissioned by his other alma mater, the University of Miami, to compose music for the inauguration of the institution's 6th president, Dr. Julio Frenk.

As a conductor, Mr. Balmages enjoys regular engagements with all-state and region bands and orchestras, as well as university and professional ensembles throughout the world. Notable guest conducting appearances have included the Midwest Clinic, Western International Band Clinic, College Band Directors Conference, American School Band Directors Association National Conference and others. Additional conducting appearances have included the Kennedy Center and Meyerhoff Symphony Hall as well as engagements in Australia, Canada and Italy. Currently, he is Director of Instrumental Publications for The FJH Music Company and Assistant Director of Bands and Orchestras at Towson University.

About the Music

For the longest time, students with special needs have been viewed as different, in such a way that it has made others feel uncomfortable socializing with them. In fact, many kids (and adults) are reluctant to even establish eye contact (whether consciously or unconsciously) with a special needs individual because they are afraid to engage someone who may not communicate the same way they do. Add to this the social complexities present in a typical school environment – peer pressure, the issues of bullying, the rise of anxiety and depression among students – and then throw all of these complex issues into the lap of a special needs student who may communicate differently, and all one can think is, “Good luck kid.”

Enter United Sound. When I first heard about United Sound, I thought the same thing that so many others thought - what a great way to engage special needs kids and give them an opportunity to perform. Then I saw a live performance and realized it is so much more. As a parent of a child who learns differently and has had issues with social anxiety, I know all too well the feeling of defeat when something that all the other kids do doesn't work out for my child. But I also know the overwhelming, indescribable feeling of joy when a child overcomes that hurdle, interacts with their peers, and has the time of their life doing it.

The reality is that United Sound does something incredible that we may not realize. It forges relationships between special needs mentees and their student (peer) mentors. And how do these relationships resonate? Gone are the awkward hallway interactions. Gone is the need to avert your eyes when you see “that kid” at lunch with an aid. And gone is the barrier that prevents a special needs student from feeling like they belong. Friendships develop. Mentors learn about their mentees, and they learn about themselves. This is clearly the result of an increasing belief about special needs students - they have superpowers.

More and more, people are starting to look at special needs students and instead of identifying their deficits, they are starting to identify their “superpowers.” Downs Syndrome is a superpower. Autism is a superpower. Non-verbal kids have a superpower. What is that superpower? It can be a wealth of things. The ability to bring out empathy in others. The superpower of unconditional love. The ability to make others smile in almost any situation. The ability to never lose that innocence and spirit of a child. The superpower of bringing perspective to almost any life situation, often without even having to say a word.

United Sound empowers students with special needs while also empowering the students who mentor them. Members of United Sound develop bonds that others cannot fathom. Therefore, the music for *Super (Em)Powers* is written as a full-on superhero theme in the style of an epic film score opening. Except in this case, the superpowers are real. The superheroes are real. And one could argue they are far more powerful than what you find in comic books. Enjoy the music, and experience the theme song of the world’s greatest superheroes – those with special needs (and special gifts).

Performance Notes

The orchestration of this piece is unique in that it can be played by concert band or by a symphony orchestra with traditional instrumentation (no bass clarinet, saxophones or euphonium). Of course, it may also be performed by band and strings combined. Cues are provided for wind instruments in the absence of strings; however, when strings are present, the piece is orchestrated to take full advantage of that beautiful orchestral sound and I strongly recommend not using the cues in that case.

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Consortium Members

Super (Em)Powers was commissioned by the following schools. It was written to be premiered at the Music for All National Festival by the Carmel High School Symphony Orchestra under the direction of the composer.

Troy High School Orchestra
Arizona State University
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- Brian Balmages

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SUPER (EM)POWERS

for Symphony Orchestra or Symphonic Band

BRIAN BALMAGES
(ASCAP)

Adagio ($\text{J}=56$)

Flutes (Piccolo) 1, 2
Oboe
Bassoon
B♭ Clarinets 1, 2
B♭ Bass Clarinet
E♭ Alto Saxophones 1, 2
B♭ Tenor Saxophone
E♭ Baritone Saxophone

Adagio ($\text{J}=56$)

B♭ Trumpets 1, 2
F Horns 1, 2
Trombones 1, 2, 3
Baritone / Euphonium
Tuba
Timpani
Mallets (Vibraphone, Marimba, Bells)
Percussion 1 (Snare Drum, Ocean Drum, Triangle)
Percussion 2 (Crash Cymbals, Suspended Cymbal, Tam-tam, Triangle, Bass Drum)

Adagio ($\text{J}=56$)

Violin 1
Violin 2
Viola
Violoncello
Double Bass
Harp

D C B♭ | E♭ F G A 2 3 4 5 6

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13 con moto

Fls. 1 (Picc.) 2

Ob.

Bsn. *mp*

Cl. 1 2 *tutti* *f*

B. Cl. *mp* *f*

A. Sax. 1 2 *mp* *f* 1. play *f* play *f* play *ff*

T. Sax. *mp* *f* *ff* play *ff*

B. Sax. *mp* *f*

Tpts. 1 2 *f* *f* *f* *f*

Hns. 1 2 *f* *f* *f* *f*

Tbns. 1 2 *mp* *f*

Bar. / Euph. *play* *mp* *f* *f*

Tuba *f*

Tim. *f* (G to F) *f*

Mlts. *mf*

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Vln. 1 *ord.* *mp* *f*

Vln. 2 *mp* *f*

Vla. *mp* *f*

Vcl. *mp* *f*

D.B. *v* *f*

Hp. *mp* *f*

13 14 E nat. 15 16 17 18

21 più mosso

Fls. 1 (Picc.) 2

Ob.

Bsn.

Cls. 1 2

B. Cl.

A. Saxes. 1 2

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

Tpts. 1 2

Hns. 1 2

Tbns. 1 2

Bar. / Euph.

Tuba

Timp.

Mlts.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Sus. Cym.

Vln. 1

Vln. 2

Vla.

Vcl.

D.B.

Hp.

A page from a musical score for orchestra and band. The score is arranged in three staves of measures. The instruments listed on the left are Flutes (Picc. 2), Oboe, Bassoon, Clarinet 1, Bass Clarinet, Alto Saxophone 1, Tenor Saxophone, Bass Saxophone, Trumpet 1, Horn 1, Trombone 1, Trombone 2, Trombone 3, Baritone/Euphonium, Tuba, Timpani, Mutes, Percussion 1, Percussion 2, Violin 1, Violin 2, Viola, Cello, Double Bass, and Bassoon. The music features various rhythmic patterns and dynamics like '3', 'ff', and 'Cr. Cym.'. A large red watermark reading 'PREVIEW Requires Purchase' is diagonally across the page.

29 Allegro (J.=132)

Fls. 1
(Picc.) 2

Ob.

Bsn.

Cls. 1
2

B. Cl.

A. Saxes. 1
2

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

29 Allegro (J.=132)

Tpts. 1
2

Hns. 1
2

1
2

Tbns. 3

Bar. / Euph.

Tuba

Timp.

Mlts.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

(F to G)

Mar. (play if no strings, or underneath strings)

29 Allegro (J.=132)

Vln. 1

Vln. 2

Vla.

Vcl.

D.B.

Hp.

37

Fls. 1
(Picc. 2)

Ob.

Bsn.

Cls. 1
2

B. Cl.

A. Saxes. 1
2

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

Tpts. 1
2

Hns. 1
2

Tbns. 1
2

3

Bar. /
Euph.

Tuba

Tim.

Mlts.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Vln. 1

Vln. 2

Vla.

Vcl.

D.B.

Hp.

33

34

35

36

37

38

39

45

Fls. 1
(Picc. 2)

Ob.

Bsn.

Cls. 1
2

B. Cl.

A. Saxes. 1
2

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

Tpts. 1
2

Hns. 1
2

Tbns. 1
2

3

Bar. /
Euph.

Tuba

Tim.

Mlts.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Vln. 1

Vln. 2

Vla.

Vcl.

D.B.

Hp.

40

41

42

43

44

45

46

53

Fls. 1
(Picc. 2)

Ob.

Bsn.

Cls. 1
2

B. Cl.

A. Saxes. 1
2

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

Tpts. 1
2

Hns. 1
2

Tbns. 1
2

3

Bar. /
Euph.

Tuba

Timp.

Mlts.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Vln. 1

Vln. 2

Vla.

Vcl.

D.B.

Hp.

53

53

53

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Fls. 1
(Picc. 2)

Ob.

Bsn.

Cls. 1
2

B. Cl.

A. Saxes. 1
2

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

Tpts. 1
2

Hns. 1
2

Tbns. 1
2
3

Bar. /
Euph.

Tuba

Timp.

Mlts.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Vln. 1

Vln. 2

Vla.

Vcl.

D.B.

Hp.

54 55 56 57 58 59 60

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61

Fls. 1
(Picc.) 2

Ob.

Bsn.

Cls. 1
2

B. Cl.

A. Saxes. 1
2

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

Tpts. 1
2

Hns. 1
2

Tbns. 1
2
3

Bar. / Euph.

Tuba

Tim.

Mlts.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Vln. 1

Vln. 2

Vla.

Vcl.

D.B.

Hp.

61

62

63

64

65

66

67

69

Fls. 1
(Picc. 2)

Ob.

Bsn.

Cls. 1
2

B. Cl.

A. Sax. 1
2

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

Tpts. 1
2

Hns. 1
2

Tbns. 1
2

3

Bar. /
Euph.

Tuba

Timp.

Mlts.

Perc. 1

Sus. Cym.

Perc. 2

Vln. 1

Vln. 2

Vla.

Vcl.

D.B.

Hp.

68 69 70 71 72 73 74

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Fl. 2 on Picc.

Fls. 1
(Picc.) 2

Ob.

Bsn.

Cls. 1
2

B. Cl.

A. Saxes. 1
2

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

Tpts. 1
2

Hns. 1
2

Tbns. 1
2

Tbns. 3

Bar. /
Euph.

Tuba

Tim.

Mlts.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Vln. 1

Vln. 2

Vla.

Vcl.

D.B.

Hp.

75 76 77 78 79 80 81

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85

Vlns.

2. (Flute) *mp*

Vcl. *mp*

Cl. *mp*

B. Cl. Vcl. *mp*

A. Saxes. Ob. *mp*

T. Sax. *f*

B. Sax. *ff*

Tpts. *ff*

Hns. *ff*

Tbns. *ff*

Bar. / Euph. *ff*

Tuba *ff*

Tim. (A to B♭, B♭ to C)

Mlts. *ff*

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Vln. 1 *ff*

Vln. 2 *ff*

Vla. *ff*

Vcl. *ff*

D.B. *ff*

Hp.

82 83 84 85 D C B♭ | E♭ F G A♭ 86 87 88

Fls. 1
(Picc.) 2

Ob.

Bsn.

Cls. 1
2

B. Cl.

A. Saxes. 1
2

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

Tpts. 1
2

Hns. 1
2

Tbns. 1
2

3

Bar. /
Euph.

Tuba

Tim.

Mlts.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Vln. 1

Vln. 2

Vla.

Vcl.

D.B.

Hp.

89 90 91 92 93 94 95

Fls. 1
(Picc.) 2

Ob.

Bsn.

Cls. 1
2

B. Cl.

A. Saxes. 1
2

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

Tpts. 1
2

Hns. 1
2

Tbns. 1
2
3

Bar. /
Euph.

Tuba

Tim.

Mlts.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Vln. 1

Vln. 2

Vla.

Vcl.

D.B.

Hp.

101

play

mp

Hn. Solo

mp

p

101

Solo

mp

p

p

p

p

101

div.

2

2

mp

arco

mp

p

mp

p

101

102

109 Solo *p*

Fls. 1
(Picc.) 2

Ob.

Bsn.

Cls. 1
2

B. Cl. *mp*

A. Sax. 1
2 play *p* *mp*

T. Sax. *p* *mp*

B. Sax. *mp*

Vln. 1
Vln. 2

Viola *p*

Tpts. 1
2 Solo *mp* 2 *p*

Hns. 1
2 *p*

Tbns. 1
2

Bar. / Euph.

Tuba *mp*

Timp.

Mlts.

Perc. 1 S.D. *p* *mp*

Perc. 2

Vln. 1 *p* *mp*

Vln. 2 *p* *mp*

Vla. *p* *mp*

Vcl. *mp*

D.B. *mp*

Hp. *mp* *p*

109 tutti *p*

109 div.

E, A nat.

Fls. 1
(Picc.) 2

Ob.

Bsn.

Cls. 1
2

B. Cl.

A. Saxes. 1
2

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

Tpts. 1
2

Hns. 1
2

Tbns. 1
2
3

Bar. /
Euph.

Tuba

Timp.

Mlts.

Bells

p

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Vln. 1

Vln. 2

Vla.

Vcl.

pizz.

D.B.

p

Hp.

110 111 112 113 114 115

Fls. 1
(Picc. 2)

Ob.

Bsn.

Cls. 1
2

B. Cl.

A. Saxos. 1
2

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

Tpts. 1
2

Hns. 1
2

Tbns. 1
2

Bar. /
Euph.

Tuba

Timp.

Mlts.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Vln. 1

Vln. 2

Vla.

Vcl.

D.B.

Hp.

116 117 118 119 120 121 122

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123

Fls. 1
(Picc.) 2

Ob.

Bsn.

Cls. 1
2

B. Cl.

A. Saxes. 1
2

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

123 tutti

Tpts. 1
2

Hns. 1
2

Tbns. 1
2
3

Bar./
Euph.

Tuba

Tim.

Mlts.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

123

Vln. 1

Vln. 2

Vla.

Vcl.

D.B.

Hp.

123

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A page from a musical score for orchestra. The music is in common time. The instrumentation includes Flutes (Picc. 2), Oboes, Bassoon, Clarinets (2), Bass Clarinet, Alto Saxophones (2), Tenor Saxophone, Baritone/Soprano Saxophone, Trumpets (2), Horns (2), Trombones (3), Bass/Tuba, Tuba/Euphonium, Timpani, Mutes, Percussion (2), Violins (2), Violas (2), Cellos (2), Double Bass (2), and Bassoon.

Dynamic markings include *f*, *mf*, *mp*, *play 2*, *tutti*, and *(V)*. Measure numbers 130, 131, 132, 133, 134, 135, and 136 are indicated at the bottom.

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137

Fls. 1
(Picc.) 2 Fl. 2 to Picc.

Ob.

Bsn.

Cls. 1
2 Vln. 2

B. Cl.

A. Saxes. 1
2

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

137

Tpts. 1
2

Hns. 1
2

Tbns. 1
2

3

Bar. / Euph.

Tuba

137

Tim. *p*

Mar. - play 8ve lower if possible

Mlts. *p*

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

137

Vln. 1

Vln. 2

Vla.

Vcl. *p*

D.B. *p*

Hp.

137

138

139

140

141

142

143

Fls. 1
(Picc. 2)

Ob.

Bsn.

Cl. 1
2

B. Cl.

A. Saxes. 1
2

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

Tpts. 1
2

Hns. 1
2

Tbns. 1
2

3

Bar. /
Euph.

Tuba

Timp.

Mlts.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Vln. 1

Vln. 2

Vla.

Vcl.

D.B.

Hp.

144

145

146

147

148

149

150

Fls. 1
(Picc.) 2

Ob.

Bsn.

Cls. 1
2

B. Cl.

A. Saxos. 1
2

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

Tpts. 1
2

Hns. 1
2

Tbns. 1
2
3

Bar. /
Euph.

Tuba

Tim.

Mlt.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Vln. 1

Vln. 2

Vla.

Vcl.

D.B.

Hp.

151 152 153 154 155 156 157

161

+ Picc (bottom notes)

Fls. 1
(Picc.) 2

Ob.

Bsn.

Cls. 1
2

B. Cl.

A. Saxes. 1
2

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

Tpts. 1
2

Hns. 1
2

Tbns. 1
2

Bar. /
Euph.

Tuba

Timp.

Mlts.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Vln. 1

Vln. 2

Vla.

Vcl.

D.B.

Hp.

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Fls. 1 (Picc.) 2
Ob.
Bsn.
Clrs. 1 2
B. Cl.
A. Saxes. 1 2
T. Sax.
B. Sax.
Tpts. 1 2
Hns. 1 2
Tbns. 3
Bar. / Euph.
Tuba
Tim.
Mlts.
Perc. 1
Perc. 2

Vln. 1
Vln. 2
Vla.
Vcl.
D.B.
Hp.

164

165

166

167

168

169

170

Fls. 1
(Picc.) 2

Ob.

Bsn.

Cls. 1
2

B. Cl.

A. Saxes. 1
2

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

Tpts. 1
2

Hns. 1
2

Tbns. 1
2

Bar./
Euph.

Tuba

Timp.

Mlts.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Vln. 1

Vln. 2

Vla.

Vcl.

D.B.

Hp.

171 172 173 174 175 176 177

D C B♭ | E♭ F G A

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Fls. 1
(Picc.) 2

Ob.

Bsn.

Cls. 1
2

B. Cl.

A. Saxes. 1
2

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

Tpts. 1
2

Hns. 1
2

Tbns. 3

Bar./
Euph.

Tuba

Tim.

Mlts.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Vln. 1

Vln. 2

Vla.

Vcl.

D.B.

Hp.

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185

Fls. 1 (Picc.) 2

Ob.

Bsn.

Cls. 1 2

B. Cl.

A. Saxes. 1 2

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

185

Tpts. 1 2

Hns. 1 2

1 2

Tbns. 3

ff

Bar. / Euph.

ff play

Tuba

ff

Tim.

Mlts.

Perc. 1

Cs. Cym.

Perc. 2

ff

185

Vln. 1

Vln. 2

Vla.

Vcl.

D.B.

Hp.

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Fls. 1
(Picc. 2)

Ob.

Bsn.

Cls. 1
2

B. Cl.

A. Saxes. 1
2

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

Tpts. 1
2

Hns. 1
2

Tbns. 1
2
3

Bar. / Euph.

Tuba

Timp.

Mlts.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Vln. 1

Vln. 2

Vla.

Vcl.

D.B.

Hp.

201

play
- Picc. 2.
f

201

play
f

201

ff

B.D.

201

ff

B.D.

201

p

197 198 199 200 201 202 203 204

+ Picc (top notes)

Fls. 1
(Picc. 2)

Ob.

Bsn.

Cls. 1
2

B. Cl.

A. Saxos. 1
2

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

Tpts. 1
2

Hns. 1
2

Tbns. 1
2

Bar. / Euph.

Tuba

Tim.

Mlts.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Vln. 1

Vln. 2

Vla.

Vcl.

D.B.

Hp.

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