

Consortium Commission Opportunity

Composer: Joseph Sowa

Joseph Sowa grew up playing violin and listening to film scores and orchestral broadcasts on NPR. Inspired by these sounds, he has since composed a diverse catalog of more than 70 works. His music focuses on intricate textures and vivid colors to produce surprising twists and compelling flourishes. In 2020, his piece "Motion Lines" was released on the PRISM Quartet's album *Surfaces and Essences*. Joseph received his PhD from Brandeis University where he studied with David Rakowski, Yu-Hui Chang, and Eric Chasalow. Hear **audio samples** at josephsowa.com/music/band-consortium-2020/.

Recent Awards

2019 American Prize (for vocal chamber music), 3rd Place

2019 Herbert and Sandy Fisher '56 Award for Exceptional Achievement in the Creative Arts

2019, 2016, 2010 Barlow Endowment for Music Composition, Commissions

Composition Information

Difficulty: Grade 4-5

Duration: 6 to 8 minutes

Instrumentation: Standard Concert Band

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| Piccolo | Clarinet 1, 2, 3 | Trumpet 1, 2, 3 | Timpani |
| Flute 1, 2 | Bass Clarinet | Horn 1, 2, 3, 4 | Percussion |
| Oboe 1, 2 | Alto Saxophone 1, 2 | Trombone 1, 2, 3 | |
| English Horn | Tenor Saxophone | Euphonium | |
| Bassoon 1, 2 | Baritone Saxophone | Tuba | |

Consortium Members & Performance Exclusivity

Darrell Brown, Carroll University – *Consortium Lead*

Don Peterson, Brigham Young University

Diane Soelberg, Brigham Young University–Idaho

These three principal consortium members will give the premiere in Spring 2021. Additional consortium members will join them in having exclusive performance rights in the 2021–22 season.

Premiere Date: Spring 2021

Institutions may become consortium members up until the premiere.

Method of Delivery: PDF

Buy-in price: \$250

- Checks may be made out and mailed to: Joseph Sowa, 27 Ladd St., Watertown, MA 02472.
- Payment may also be made online at josephsowa.com/music/band-consortium-2020/
- Due to current financial strains, institutions may join the consortium in two payments: \$125 to secure your spot and \$125 in Fall 2021. For details, please email orders@josephsowa.com.
- For institutional documentation (i.e., W9, invoice, etc.), please email orders@josephsowa.com.

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