# **A CHRISTMAS AULD LANG SYNE**

### ABOUT THE ARRANGER

James Swearingen's talents as a performer. composer/arranger and educator include a background of extensive training and experience. He has earned degrees from Bowling Green State University and The Ohio State University. Mr. Swearingen is currently Professor of Music, Department Chair of Music Education and one of several resident composers at Capital University located in Columbus, Ohio. He also serves as a staff arranger for the famed Ohio State University Marching Band. Prior to his appointment at Capital in 1987, he spent eighteen years teaching instrumental music in the public schools of central



Ohio. His first teaching assignment took him to the community of Sunbury, Ohio. He then spent fourteen years as Director of Instrumental Music at Grove City High School where his marching, concert and jazz bands all received acclaim for their high standards of performing excellence.

In addition to his teaching responsibilities. Mr. Swearingen manages to be very active as a quest conductor, adjudicator and educational clinician. Appearances have included trips throughout the United States, as well as Japan, Australia, Europe, Canada and The Republic of China.

Mr. Swearingen's numerous contributions for band have been enthusiastically received by school directors, student performers and audiences worldwide. With nearly 400 published works, he has written band compositions and arrangements that reflect a variety of musical forms and styles. Many of his pieces, including 74 commissioned works, have been chosen for contest and festival lists. He is a recipient of several ASCAP awards for published compositions and in 1992 was selected as an Accomplished Graduate of the Fine and Performing Arts from Bowling Green State University. Most recently, Mr. Swearingen received the 2002 Community Music Educator Award given annually by the Columbus Symphony Orchestra. He is a member of numerous professional and honorary organizations including OMEA, MENC, ASBDA, Phi Beta Mu and Pi Kappa Lambda. In March of 2000, he was invited to join The American Bandmasters Association, considered to be the most prestigious bandmaster organization in the world.

Many of Mr. Swearingen's most popular band compositions have been recorded by the prestigious Washington Winds and are available on Walking Frog Records compact discs: His recordings include In All Its Glory, Exaltation, Celebration For Winds And Percussion and the newest release, The Light Of Dawn: The Young Band Music of James Swearingen.

#### INSTRUMENTATION

European band set parts available in pdf format for download from www.BazuliouseEurope.com or on CDrom by request from the website,

Full Conductor Score
Flute
Oboe 2
1st Bb Clarinet
2nd Bb Clarinet
3rd Bb Clarinet4
Bb Bass Clarinet
Bassoon2
1st Eb Alto Saxophone3
2nd Eb Alto Saxophone/Alto Clarinet
Bb Tenor Saxophone
Eb Baritone Saxophone
1st Bb Trumpet3
2nd Bb Trumpet
3rd Bb Trumpet
1st F Horn 2
2nd F Horn2
1st Trombone 2
2nd Trombone 2
3rd Trombone2
Euphonium (Baritone) BC
Euphonium (Baritone) TC
Tuba4
String Bass1
Mallet Percussion: Bells, Chimes
Timpani1
Percussion 1: Snare Drum, Bass Drum
Percussion 2: Suspended Cymbal, Crash Cymbals, Sleigh Bells2

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The Washington Winds, Edward Petersen, Conductor

Includes: Make A Joyful Noise (Swearingen), The Glacier Express (Neeck), Heaven's Light (Reineke), America Exultant March (Fillmore/arr. Glover), Ascentium (Huckeby), From Heartland to Heaven (Chisham), Bridge of Dreams (Behrman), Two Grainger Melodies (Chisnam), Bridge of Dreams (Behrman), Iwo Grainger Melodies (Grainger), The Big Cage (Kingiarr, Glover) Rondo for Solo and Wind Band (Mozart'arr, A. Clark) Out Of Darkness (Hilliard), A Christmas Auld Lang Syne (Swearingen), Manatee Lyric Overture (Sheldon) A CHRISTMAS AULD LANG SYNE



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