Commissioned by the Washington County Board of Education for the 2003 All-Washington County High School Band - Hagerstown, MD

SIERRA DAWN

Winner of the 2004 Colonel Gabriel Composition Award from the United States Air Force Band, Washington, D.C.

Michael A. Mogensen (ASCAP)

Complete Band Instrumentation

- 1 Full Score
- 1 Piccolo
- 6 Flutes 1-2
- 2 Oboes 1-2
- 2 Bassoon
- 3 Clarinet in B^b 1
- 8 Clarinets in B^b 2-3
- 1 Alto Clarinet
- 2 Bass Clarinet
- 3 Alto Saxes 1-2-3

- 2 Tenor Sax
- 1 Baritone Sax
- 3 Trumpet in B^b 1
- 3 Trumpet in B^b2
- 3 Trumpet in B^b 3
- 3 Horns in F 1-3
- 3 Horns in F 2-4
- 2 Trombone 1
- 2 Trombone 2
- 2 Bass Trombone

- 2 Euphonium B.C.
- 2 Euphonium T.C.
- 4 Tuba
- 1 Timpani
- 2 Chimes & Bells
- 2 Percussion 1

(Triangle, Vibraphone)

2 - Percussion 2

(Crash Cymbals, Suspended Cymbal)

2 - Percussion 3

(Bass Drum, Snare Drum, Wind Chimes)

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Commissioned by the Washington County Board of Education in Hagerstown, MD, *SIERRA DAWN* received its world premiere performance at the historic Maryland Theatre in February, 2003. It was written as a show-piece for the All-Washington County High School Honor Band and was guest-conducted in its premiere performance by Dr. Harlan Parker from the Peabody Conservatory of Music. The work features dark, modal harmonies, majestic and reflective melody lines, and vigorous, energetic rhythms. The Sierra Nevada mountain range served as inspiration, and *SIERRA DAWN* aims to evoke emotions one might experience during a beautiful and magnificent mountain sunrise.

SIERRA DAWN was awarded the prestigious *Colonel Arnald D. Gabriel Composition Prize* from the United States Air Force Band in Washington, D.C.

About the Composer - - -



Award-winning composer **Michael A. Mogensen** currently resides in Hagerstown, MD, though his musical endeavors have taken him as far as Orlando, Miami, and Los Angeles. He has held positions with Warner Brothers Publications as well as Disney Music Publishing and has served as an adjudicator, clinician, instructor and guest-conductor for many high school and college-level events. An active participant in the music industry, Mogensen has written,

arranged and performed for a variety of albums, recording projects and live performances. He is an alumnus of the music schools of James Madison University (VA) and Ithaca College (NY), and he has studied with renowned composers Robert W. Smith, John Hilliard and Dana Wilson. Mogensen is frequently commissioned to compose original classical works for large ensembles and chamber groups, and his compositions have been programmed throughout the United States and Canada.





