## young **symphonic** band series

## Awakened Like the Morn

By Robert Sheldon

This stirring composition was inspired by Ann Terry's poem, "In Every Age" and was commissioned by the Ottawa Elementary and High School Music Fest held in Ottawa, Illinois. Originally conceived as a song, the lyrical quality of the piece comes shining through in the various moods of the piece, from spirited to wistful to triumphant!



- 1 Conductor Score
- 10 Flute
- 2 Oboe
- 2 Bassoon
- 6 1st B♭ Clarinet
- 6 2nd B Clarinet
- 1 El Alto Clarinet
- 2 Bb Bass Clarinet
- 2 1st El Alto Saxophone
- 2 \_\_\_ 2nd El Alto Saxophone
- B Tenor Saxophone
- 1 E♭ Baritone Saxophone

- 4 1st Bb Trumpet
- 4 2nd B♭ Trumpet
- 2 F Horn
- 3 1st Trombone
- 3 2nd Trombone
- 2 Baritone T.C.
- 2 Baritone B.C.
- 4 Tuba

## Percussion - 6 players:

- 1 Orchestra Bells
- 2 Percussion 1 (Snare Drum, Bass Drum)
- 4 Percussion 2 (Crash Cymbals/Wind Chimes, Suspended Cymbal/Triangle)
- 1 Timpani

Awakened like the Morn was originally written to include the following text in a choral performance to be sung along with this band composition. Here are the lyrics that inspired this piece:

"In Every Age"
Text by Ann Terry

Narration: The language of music touches our hearts and souls in a way no spoken work or gesture can. As we look to the 21<sup>st</sup> century, there is much that is unknown and we are aware that many things will never be the same. But as long as Man exists, we are sure the language of music shall stand.

- In the heart of every person a song waits to be born.
   Music waits to be set free, awakened like the morn.
   A song is like a fire, ignited by a spark;
   Flaming from our spirit, singing from the heart.
   In every age, in every land,
   Throughout the years, in the heart of Man,
   The language of music shall stand.
- 2. Men speak in many languages and some have come and gone. We struggle to communicate; the struggle lingers on. But from the souls of modern Man and those of long ago, Music is a language all men have come to know. In every age, in every land, Throughout the years, in the heart of Man, The language of music shall stand.
- 3. Music is a language, a jewel among the arts;
  With instruments and voices, it's spoken from the heart.
  It tells of sorrow, love and joy. It's a ballad or a prayer.
  Music is heard in many tongues from people everywhere.
  In every age, in every land,
  Throughout the years, in the heart of Man,
  The language of music shall stand.
- 4. Yes, music is a language that all men understand. It has endured the test of time; it exists in every land. Though the styles come and go, and some will fade away, The melodies that touch our souls within our hearts will stay. In every age, in every land, Throughout the years, in the heart of Man, The language of music shall stand.

FULL SCORE Duration - 5:05

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