# JINGLE COWBELLS

(The Battle for Bell Supremacy)

Arranged by TIMOTHY LOEST

#### INSTRUMENTATION

- 1 Conductor Score
- 8 Flute
- 2 Oboe
- 2 Bassoon
- 10 B Clarinet
- 2 B<sub>b</sub> Bass Clarinet
- 4 El-Alto Saxophone
- 2 B Tenor Saxophone
- 2 E Baritone Saxophone
- 8 B Trumpet
- 4 F Horn

- 4 Trombone
- 2 Euphonium
- 2 Baritone T.C.
- 4 Tuba
- 2 Timpani
- 2 Mallet Percussion (Bells, opt. Chimes)
- 2 Percussion 1 (Snare Drum, Bass Drum)
- 4 Percussion 2 (Cowbell, Crash Cymbals, Sleigh Bells, Slapstick)

#### SUPPLEMENTAL and WORLD PARTS

The following instruments and transpositions (all parts) are available to download from alfred.com/supplemental

- E Alto Clarinet
- E Contra Alto Clarinet
- B<sub>b</sub> Contra Bass Clarinet
- E<sub>b</sub> Horn
- By Trombone T.C.
- By Trombone B.C.
- B<sub>F</sub> Euphonium B.C.
- B♭ Tuba T.C.
- B<sub>b</sub> Tuba B.C.
- E♭ Tuba T.C.
- E♭Tuba B.C.







## THE ARRANGER

Timothy Loest is a name in music synonymous with creativity, versatility, and accessibility. His works for young band are performed worldwide and his pedagogical methods and conducting appearances impact performers and audiences at the state and national levels. In 2017, his composition *Cloud Gate (Reflections of a City)* was performed for over 5,000 spectators at Chicago's Millennium Park. That same year, Tim received the Illinois Grade School Music Association's highest honor—the Cloyd Myers Memorial Award for Excellence in Music Education.

Tim had his first work published in 1995 and has written for Warner Bros. Publications, C.L. Barnhouse Company, The FJH Music Company, MakeMusic Publications, and RWS Music Company. In 2022, he founded

Fanfare Music Press, a company dedicated to the highest quality compositions and arrangements for band.

With over three decades in the classroom, Tim is no stranger to instrumental pedagogy; he is associated with several best-selling methods, including *Measures of Success®: A Comprehensive Musicianship Band Method, Warm-ups and Beyond, Rhythms and Beyond,* and *Chorales and Beyond.* Outside the classroom, Tim's music has appeared on numerous network TV shows, including *The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon, Good Morning America, Extra,* and *Nick Jr.* 

Tim received his Bachelor of Music Education degree with high honors from Illinois State University and his Master of Music degree with program honors from Northwestern University. He holds membership in ASCAP, the Illinois Grade School Music Association, and Christian Educators. He served his entire teaching career at F.E. Peacock Middle School in Itasca, Illinois, and resides in Wheaton, Illinois with his wife Cindy and two sons. Tim regularly accepts commissions for band and can be reached through his website: www.timothyloest.com.

### ABOUT THE MUSIC

Sleigh bells face off with cowbell in this delightfully clever arrangement based on *Jingle Bells, Old MacDonald Had a Farm, Ukrainian Bell Carol*, and other traditional favorites.

When rehearsing this work, keep the tempo and style bright and festive. Also, the melodic, harmonic, and bass lines may be practiced separately so that musicians understand how the various layers of music work together. Regarding various layers, point out that *Jingle Bells* appears in a minor key at measures 39–42. This occurs while *Ukrainian Bell Carol* continues to build.

This piece gets its charm from a variety of accessory percussion instruments, including cowbell, crash cymbals, sleigh bells, and slapstick. Because both sleigh bells and cowbell should be in the spotlight, it is recommended that these instruments be positioned front and center. To spread the joy, it is further recommended that multiple players cover the sleigh bells and cowbell. (For improved sleigh bells control, handheld, half-moon jingle bells may be used. Such handheld instruments are very affordable and easy to find online.)

Finally, it is hoped that each musician will develop a mutual respect for each section of the band. After all, the whole ensemble is always greater than the sum of its sections. Whether Santa finds himself on the farm or Old MacDonald finds himself at the North Pole, it is hoped that you bring musical joy to wherever your band plays this piece!

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Fl.

Ob.

Cl.

B. Cl.

A. Sax.

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

Tpt.

Hn.

