Grade

BPS159F

Eye of the Universe

Caryn Wiegand Neidhold

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Oboe										
Clarinet in B♭										
Bass Clarinet in B♭										
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INSTRUMENTATION

 Aito Saxopnone in E♭
 5

 Tenor Saxophone in B♭
 2

 Baritone Saxophone in E♭
 2

 Trumpet in B♭
 8

 Horn in F
 3

 Trombone, Euphonium, Bassoon
 6

 Euphonium T.C. in B♭
 2

 Tuba
 3

 Mallet Percussion
 2

 Bells, Chimes
 2

 Timpani
 1

 Percussion 1
 2

 Snare Drum, Bass Drum
 2



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Performance Notes

Boundless mysteries lie at the center of the universe. As the music travels from one end to the other, the vast spectacles of matter and light are described by low melodies and twinkling harmonies with the great eye at the center, peering at the vastness of space. Students will love these dramatic melodies and harmonies written to help the young ensemble sound advanced and mature. Straightforward rhythms support emerging ensemble skills, and all sections play melodic phrases, creating a vivid and commanding performance.

With *Eye of the Universe*, connect STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Math) curriculum with other departments in your school to provide a well-rounded educational experience. Suggested ideas include:

- Explore the nature of the universe and write about how the music in this piece describes the "eye."
- Illustrate the center of the universe (the eye) using traditional or computer art mediums.
- Research the measurements of the known universe and calculate how long light from the center of the universe takes to reach Earth.
- Using the distance across the universe in light years, calculate how many light years each measure, each beat, and each eighth note represents.

Eye of the Universe provides the opportunity to reinforce:

- Matching articulations within and across section
- Exaggerating dynamic contrasts
- Understanding balance issues

About the Composer

Caryn Wiegand Neidhold is a composer and arranger for student through professional ensembles. Her focus includes arranging classical "gems" and composing music for eclectic styles, including fiddle, rock, and jazz. With an emphasis on learning technique through literature, Caryn's music always distributes appropriate musical challenges to all instrument sections.

Caryn's background includes extensive work as a middle school educator, Suzuki teacher, and youth symphony conductor and coach. In addition, she has years of performance experience as a violist and violinist with orchestras, including the Fairbanks Symphony, New World Symphony, Chautauqua Symphony Orchestra, and the Reno Phil. With a stint in fifth-grade band on drums, transfer band at Hummingbird Music Camp (flute, bassoon, and trombone), bass clarinet in college, and percussion with the Fairbanks Community Band, Caryn enjoys the inspiration of writing for emerging student bands.

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Within each grade level, you will find selections in a variety of styles and genres designed to meet all of your performance and teaching needs. The Carl Fischer composers and arrangers are some of the most respected writers in the business. Their music is dynamic, fresh and eminently worthy of your attention.

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