

Spirit of Olympus

Gary P. Gilroy

1 Full Score	4 Trumpet 1
4 Flute 1	4 Trumpet 2
2 Flute 2	4 F Horn
2 Oboe	3 Trombone 1
2 Bassoon	3 Trombone 2
4 Clarinet 1	3 Baritone B.C. (opt. Trombone 2)
4 Clarinet 2	2 Baritone T.C.
2 Bass Clarinet	5 Tuba
4 Alto Saxophone	2 Timpani (and Chimes)
2 Tenor Saxophone	2 Percussion 1: China Cymbal, Sleigh Bells, Wind Chimes, Splash Cymbal, Hi-Hat, Antique Finger Cymbal, Jam Block
1 Baritone Saxophone	2 Percussion 2: Bass Drum, Ride Cymbal, Triangle, Temple Blocks, Cowbell, Vibra-slap, Suspended Cymbal
	2 Percussion 3: Snare Drum, Triangle, Large Slap Stick, Cabasa
	1 Mallets 1: Bells
	2 Mallets 2: Chimes, Xylophone, Vibraphone

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Program Notes

Spirit of Olympus was commissioned by Director Elaine Wersky and the Olympus Music Program in celebration of the 20th Anniversary, 1996-2016, of Olympus Jr. High School in the Eureka Union School District, Roseville, California. This was the composer's second commission from this active band program and their director, Elaine Wersky. In 2006, the first commission produced a work entitled *Noble Gestures* that was published by Wingert-Jones and earned Editor's Choice recognition from the JW Pepper & Son, Inc, the largest music distributor in the world.

Band Director Elaine Wersky asked for a piece that could be used to celebrate the 20th anniversary of the school but also a composition that would provide a middle section that could serve the school as an Alma Mater. She writes to following about Olympus Junior High School:

Spartans were known and respected for their unity and loyalty. Everyone worked together as a unit for a common cause. Militarily they fought together in a phalanx - a wall of soldiers where the shield is used to protect the person next to you. Spartans were the most widely-literate Greeks because of the value they placed on education, endurance, courage and self-control.

For 20 years, the *Spirit of Olympus* has been reflected in these Spartan qualities. We nurture honesty, integrity, respect, responsibility, trustworthiness, compassion, positive attitudes, cooperation, perseverance, tolerance, reliability, citizenship, courage and caring. We strive towards excellence and embrace continued opportunities to grow our program. This school excels because we work collaboratively to do what is best for kids. We take pride in our school, in our school culture. Spartan pride. And when we have something to celebrate, like 20 years of educational excellence, we collectively shout a proud, "Hail Spartans!"

The work opens with a great fanfare in the high brass with strong support from the percussion section. A fast and energetic segment in Bb Major follows before the work transitions to a bluesy section set in g minor. The Alma Mater, presented in F Major, features full woodwind choir with glistening metallic percussion accompaniment in the first statement and then moves to a lush full band scoring as the same material is restated. As this slow and noble section comes to a end, a *del segno* provides a restatement of the main body of the work before moving to a coda. Several melodic fragments from earlier melodic statements are now presented in G Major (for the most part) before the composition comes to its energetic ending.

This piece requires at least six percussionists, several of whom play very important roles. The keyboard percussion instruments required are bells, xylophone, vibraphone and chimes. Four timpani are needed but only one small tuning adjustment (Eb down to D) is made once the work starts. More percussionists can be involved by splitting the timpani/chimes part into two different player assignments. While the Percussion II assignment is the most accessible, there is an important solo temple block statement that occurs several times in this part, so it is important that the band director work with the player to be sure the player is ready to perform their solo statements with a great deal of confidence. In general, the percussion parts are not complex in this work, but any sectional work the band director or percussion specialist might do with the players, will certainly pay off greatly as the students will surely grow from the challenges and experience this kind of percussion writing can offer to young students.

About the Composer

Gary P. Gilroy is a Professor of Music and Director of Bands at California State University, Fresno. In 1993 he was appointed Associate Director of Bands and Director of the Bulldog Marching Band. After 13 years in this position and building one of the finest collegiate marching bands on the west coast, Dr. Gilroy became Director of Bands in 2006. Prior to this appointment he served for a decade as Director of Bands at Fred C. Beyer High School in Modesto, California where his band was awarded several national honors as well as the International Sudler Shield Award from the John Philip Sousa Foundation. Gilroy also served as faculty at CSU, Stanislaus and graduate assistant at the University of Oregon in Eugene, Oregon where he completed his doctorate in 1995.

Gilroy has served on the board of California Band Directors Association for fourteen years and he is a Past President of that organization. He is also a Past President of the Fresno Madera Counties Music Educators Association. From 1999 to 2006 he served on the board of the National Band Association as a Member At Large and the Western Division Chairman.

Dr. Gilroy is in demand as a guest conductor of many honor bands throughout the United States. As an adjudicator and guest conductor he has served in 39 states and throughout Canada. Dr. Gilroy has been the conductor for all state groups in Colorado and Oregon as well as the California Band Directors Association All-State High School Symphonic Band.

An ASCAP Award-winning composer, Gilroy's music is published for concert band, marching band, and various ensembles through the Arrangers Publishing Company, BRS Music, Inc., C. Alan Publications, Daehn Publications, Kagarice Brass Editions, Matrix Publications, TRN Publications, Warner Brothers, Wingert-Jones, Inc., and CPP/Belwin Mills. His compositions have been featured at the Bands of America National Concert Band Festival in Indianapolis, the Eastern Trombone Workshop in Washington, DC, the International Trombone Festival in New Orleans, and on many occasions at the International Midwest Band and Orchestra Clinic in Chicago. Additionally, Gilroy's compositions have been performed by many regional and state honor bands throughout the United States. Dr. Gilroy served as the arranger/composer for the 2008 Olympic Orchestra in Beijing, China. He has been an ASCAP Composers Award recipient every year since 2001.

Dr. Gilroy and his wife Dena have lived in Clovis, California since 1993. His daughter, Alexandra, graduated from UCLA in 2010 and UNLV in 2013 and is currently a music teacher for the Clovis Unified School District and his son, Nicholas, graduated from CSU, Long Beach in 2013 and is a freelance musician in the LA area.

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ASCAP

Regally ♩ = 92

The musical score is arranged in five systems. The first system includes Flute 1/2, Oboe, Bassoon, Clarinet 1/2, Bass Clarinet, Alto Saxophone, Tenor Saxophone, Baritone Saxophone, Trumpet 1/2, F Horn, Trombone 1/2, Baritone, and Tuba. The second system includes Timpani (F, Bb, Eb, G and Chimes), Percussion 1 (China Cymbal, Sleigh Bells, Wind Chimes, Splash Cymbal, Hi-Hat, Antique Finger Cymbal, Jam Block), Percussion 2 (B.D., Bass Drum, Ride Cymbal, Triangle, Temple Blocks, Cowbell, Vibra-slap, Suspended Cymbal), Percussion 3 (S.D., Snare Drum, Triangle, Large Slap Stick, Cabasa), Mallets 1 (Bells), and Mallets 2 (Chimes, Xylophone, Vibraphone). The score is in 4/4 time with a tempo of 92 beats per minute. It features various dynamics such as *f*, *mp*, *p*, and *fp*, and includes articulation marks like accents and slurs. The key signature has two flats (Bb and Eb). The piece concludes with a final measure marked with a '5'.

7

10

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11

rit.

Flute 1 2

Oboe

Bassoon

Clarinet 1 2

B. Cl.

A. Sx.

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

Tpt. 1 2

F Hn.

Trb. 1 2

Bar.

Tuba

11 Eb to D

Timp./Chimes

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Perc. 3

Mlts. 1

Mlts. 2

To Xylophone

f

ff

fp

p

mp

f

ff

mp

f

mp

rit.

tr

3

11

12

13

14

15

16 ~~♩~~ **Fast!** ♩ = 168

20

16 ***ff*** **Fast!** ♩ = 168 20 ***mp***

Timp./Chimes

ff *mf*

Sleigh Bells

Perc. 1

p *f* *p* *f* *p* *f*

Perc. 2

f

Perc. 3

f

Mlts. 1

ff Xylophone

Mlts. 2

ff *mf*

16 17 18 19 20 21

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Flute 1 2

Oboe

Bassoon

Clarinet 1 2

B. Cl.

A. Sx.

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

Tpt. 1 2

F Hn.

Trb. 1 2

Bar.

Tuba

Timp./Chimes

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Perc. 3

Mlts. 1

Mlts. 2

p *f* *mp* *mf*

Ride Cymbal

22 23 24 25 26 27

5

The musical score is for a piece titled "Spirit of Olympus". It is written in 3/4 time and spans measures 22 to 27. The instrumentation includes Flute 1 & 2, Oboe, Bassoon, Clarinet 1 & 2, B. Cl., A. Sx., T. Sx., B. Sx., Tpt. 1 & 2, F Hn., Trb. 1 & 2, Bar., Tuba, Timp./Chimes, Perc. 1, 2, & 3, and Mlts. 1 & 2. The score features various musical notations including notes, rests, and dynamic markings such as *p* (piano), *f* (forte), *mp* (mezzo-piano), and *mf* (mezzo-forte). There are also triplets and a Ride Cymbal part. The page number 5 is centered at the bottom.

Spirit of Olympus

33

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36

Flute 1 2

Oboe

Bassoon

Clarinet 1 2

B. Cl.

A. Sx.

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

Tpt. 1 2

F Hn.

Trb. 1 2

Bar.

Tuba

Timp./Chimes

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Perc. 3

Mlts. 1

Mlts. 2

34 35 36 37 38 39

p *f* *pp* *f* *mf* *mf* *mf* *p* *f* *ff*

div.

dampen

Hi-Hat

Temple Blocks

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Flute 1/2

Oboe

Bassoon

Clarinet 1/2

B. Cl.

A. Sx.

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

Tpt. 1/2

F Hn.

Trb. 1/2

Bar.

Tuba

Timp./Chimes

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Perc. 3

Mlts. 1

Mlts. 2

40 41 42 43 44 45

50

9

To Coda

10

Spirit of Olympus

58

Flute 1
2

Oboe

Bassoon

Clarinet 1
2

B. Cl.

A. Sx.

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

Tpt. 1
2

F Hn.

Trb. 1
2

Bar.

Tuba

58

Timp./Chimes

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Perc. 3

Mlts. 1

Mlts. 2

58

59

60

61

62

63

66

molto rit.

12

72 Solemnly ♩ = 68

13

poco accel.

14

84 Move Along ♩ = 84

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Flute 1
2

Oboe

Bassoon
mf

Clarinet 1
2

B. Cl.
mf

A. Sx.
mf

T. Sx.
mf

B. Sx.
mf

Tpt. 1
2
mf

F Hn.
mf

Trb. 1
2
mf

Bar.
mf

Tuba
mf

84 Move Along ♩ = 84

Timp./Chimes
f *Lead.*

Perc. 1

Perc. 2
Ride Cymbal w/Tri. Beaters
mf

Perc. 3
f

Mlts. 1
f

Mlts. 2
f

84 85 86 87 88 89 90

93 rit.

Slower ♩ = 72

94
16

Coda

Coda

[illegible]

Coda

Coda (no roll)

dampen

f *mf* *p*

100 101 102

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108

Flute 1
2

Oboe

Bassoon

Clarinet 1
2

B. Cl.

A. Sx.

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

Tpt. 1
2

F Hn.

Trb. 1
2

Bar.

Tuba

Timp.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Perc. 3

Mlts. 1

Mlts. 2

103 104 105 106 107 108

(Tom and China)

mp *mf* *f* *f* *f*

(S.D.) (B.D.)

p *mp* *f*

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109 110 111 112 113

114

118

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Spinnst du ein Synops

120 123

Flute 1/2

Oboe

Bassoon

Clarinet 1/2

B. Cl.

A. Sax.

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

Tpt. 1/2

F. Hn.

Trb. 1/2

Bar.

Tuba

120 dampen

123 dampen

Timp.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Perc. 3

Mlts. 1

Mlts. 2

119 120 121 122 123 124

21