

Wachovia Winds
Youth Wind Ensemble
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Artistic Director

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Program for May 22, 2022

Ukrainian National Anthem

“Shche ne vmerla Ukrainas” (‘Ukraine Has Not Yet Perished’)

Music - Mykhailo Verbytsky, Lyrics - Pavlo Chubynsky, Setting – John Wernega

Program continued

Star Spangled Banner

Francis Scott Key/George Naff

One of the most beautiful and inspirational settings of our national anthem ever written.

El Relicario – Jose Padilla/Robert Longfield

One of the most famous and best loved paso dobles ever written, this classic work from the rich heritage of band literature is here presented in a setting by Robert Longfield that reveals all of its fiery rhythms and sweeping Spanish melodies.

Themes from How to Train Your Dragon – John Powell/Sean O'Loughlin

The music for this hit movie features magnificent adventure themes along with hints of Celtic influences.

March of the Sun Dried Tomatoes - Julie Giroux

From the composer: “This is the woeful tale of a day in the kitchen with a recipe that called for, among other things, sun-dried tomatoes and red wine. I like to think of myself as a cook, though I cannot convince many others of that fact, but had not encountered sun-dried tomatoes before. I had plenty of tomatoes growing in my little garden, and as hot as it was, there were a few on the vine that were almost dried already due to a little neglect on my part. Needless to say, after baking them to a crisp, which didn't work, and microwaving them into oblivion, another disaster, the recipe was a complete failure and by the end of the day, a salami sandwich and a pickle was my fare. I know now you can buy sun-dried tomatoes in the store.”

The Greatest Generation - Robert W Smith

Written for the 75th Anniversary of the attack on Pearl Harbor and gathering of heroes from around the world, this stirring composition pays tribute to America's "Greatest Generation." Beginning with a heroic fanfare, the piece transforms into lush and melodic underscoring to the historic text originally narrated by World War II and Normandy veteran Col. Arnauld D. Gabriel. A perfect selection to honor those that have served in the armed forces.

Appalachian Morning – Robert Sheldon

The traditions of Appalachia were largely influenced by settlers from Scotland and Ireland. This reflective piece acknowledges these pioneers and their musical heritage with a musical walk through the woods and mountains of the Cumberland Gap.

With Ever Joyful Hearts - Erik Morales

Commissioned by *The Wachovia Winds Youth Wind Ensemble*

The full gamut of emotions and styles are covered in this substantial work that pays homage to the Moravian heritage, using Nun Danket and Hosanna for the basis. Opening with the simple sound of chimes, the work begins to develop as the brass interject brilliant fanfares. Woodwind flourishes abound throughout the piece amongst expressive and lyrical lines.