Alfred's Growing Band Series

Scenes of Wonder

(1. Stonhenge 2. The Louvre 3. Fiesta de Pamplona) Mark Williams

This work was written for and dedicated to the Mead Junior High Symphonic Band in Mead, WA, which is directed by Reid Smith. It received its premiere performance at the Washington Music Educators Association 1994 Conference in Yakima, WA, with the composer conducting. Each of its three movements is meant to express the different emotions felt when visiting certain "scenes of wonder" in Europe.

The first movement, "Stonehenge," depicts the power and mystery of the ancient stone monument on the Salisbury Plain in England. Intricate harmonies are displayed prominently, and should be performed in a "rock-solid" and deliberate fashion. The second movement, "The Louvre," reflects the beauty and delicacy of the artwork in the famous French museum. Suggested listenings to learn this Impressionistic style are Claude Debussy's *Prelude to the Afternoon of a Faun* and *Claire de lune*. "Fiesta de Pamplona" is a rollicking *paso doble* in 5/4 time meant to convey all the excitement of the festival of San Fermin in Pamplona, Spain where bulls are turned loose in the streets as young men run ahead of them toward the arena where the bullfights are held. A dramatic slowdown to half-time and gradual accelerando at measure 120 add to the excitement of the finale. Trombones should play aggressively at the end of the work.

INSTRUMENTATION

- 1 Conductor Score
- 5 1st Flute
- 5 2nd Flute
- 2 Oboe
- 2 Bassoon
- 4 1st B Clarinet
- 4 2nd Bb Clarinet
- 4 3rd B Clarinet
- 1 E Alto Clarinet
- 2 Bb Bass Clarinet
- 2 1st E Alto Saxophone
 - 2nd E Alto Saxophone
- 2 B Tenor Saxophone
 - 1 E Baritone Saxophone
- 2 1st F Horn
 - 2 2nd F Horn

2nd B^J Cornet - 3rd B^J Cornet - 1st Trombone - 2nd Trombone

1st B Cornet

- 2nd Irombone
- Baritone T.C.
- Baritone B.C.
- Tuba
- 2 Mallets (Chimes, Bells, Vibes Xylophone)
- 2 Percussion I (Snare Drum, Bass Drum, Crash Cymbals)
- Percussion II (Triangle, Suspended Cymbal, Tam-Tam, Maracas, Claves, Castanets)
- 1 Timpani



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2. The Louvre















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