# Shards of Glass

#### Brett William Dietz

1 Full Score

1 Piccolo

3 Flute 1

6 Flute 2,3

2 Oboe 1,2

2 Bassoon

3 Clarinet 1 (div)

3 Clarinet 2 (div)

3 Clarinet 3 (div)

2 Bass Clarinet

4 Alto Saophone 1,2

2 Tenor Saxophone

1 Baritone Saxophone

3 Trumpet 1 (div)

3 Trumpet 2 (div)

3 Trumpet 3 (div)

2 F Horn 1,3

2 F Horn 2,4

2 Trombone

4 Trombone 2,3

2 Euphonium

1 Euphonium T.C.

5 Tuba

1 String Bass

1 Timpani

1 Bells

1 Tubular Bells (Chimes)

5 Triangle, Tambourine, Crash Cymbal, Sus. Cymbal

2 Snare Drum, Bass Drum

Extra Part - P3014141

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### Program Notes

Shards of Glass was commissioned by the Preston Junior High School Concert Band in Loveland, Colorado. The premiere performance was given on December 9, 2005 under the direction of Andrea Hollenbeck.

The piece is inspired by the American minimalist composer Philip Glass, who at one point in his career was the composer in residence for the Pittsburgh Public Schools. *Shards of Glass* is comprised of a repetitive series of chord changes. The orchestration shifts with each repetition introducing new contrapuntal lines and rhythmic figures. This additive process continues until the piece's conclusion in C minor.

#### About the Composer

Brett William Dietz is a composer and percussion instructor at Louisiana State University. He received the Bachelor of Music in Percussion, the Master of Music in Composition/Theory from Duquesne University and his Doctorate of Music from Northwestern University. Dietz studied percussion with Andrew Reamer, Stanley Leonard, and Michael Burritt. His principal composition teachers were Joseph Jenkins, David Stock, and Jay Alan Yim.

Dietz was a recipient of the 1994 Duquesne University Women's Advisory Board Music Scholarship, winner of the 1997 Duquesne University Euphonium and Tuba Society Composition Contest, Honorable Mention in the 1998 Harvey Gaul Composition Contest sponsored by the Pittsburgh New Music Ensemble, 3<sup>rd</sup> place winner of the 2002 Percussive Arts Society Composition Contest, winner of the 2002 H. Robert Reynolds Composition Contest, and winner of the 2005 Merrill Jones Young Composers Band Competition sponsored by the National Band Association. In January 2001, Dietz received an award from the Pittsburgh Foundation for Outstanding Achievement in the Arts.

Dietz served on the music faculties of Duquesne University, Westminister College (New Wilimington, PA) and the Merit School of Music in Chicago. He is also a founding member of Tempus Fugit Percussion Ensemble and has performed with the group throughout the United States and Europe since 1993.

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Grade 4 Time 4:15

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