Teton Wilderness Suite

For Instruments of Varied Color

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Upon moving to Teton County in 2008, it was not long before I realized the awesome beauty and breathtaking land and mountain scapes that surrounded me. Inspired by the sights and sounds, especially the quiet that resides in Teton county, the **Teton Wilderness Suite** was composed.

Many artists live here among the mountains and the galleries are filled with painting after painting of numerous scenes depicting the Teton Mountains in various seasons, and times of day.

This musical score is a literally a painting with musical notes that unleash the very same scenes that millions upon millions have come to know and love here in the Tetons.

It is composed with the intent of utilizing instruments that can conjure a range of harmonic colors and transparent textures by being performed anywhere in the wilderness, just as plein-air's wander about with their easels, paints and brushes. As the colors change from season to season, so these notes can also be adapted to any number of varied ensembles. This is because each individual melodic line is carefully crafted in excellence and stands on its own. Each part captures the beauty of the unchanging line of a mountain range or a scape, but is also able to adapt to ever new sonorities through varied instrumental ensembles of new color.

This work is comprised of seven movements, each capturing a moment in the time of a single day. This particular arrangement is for String Quartet and Woodwinds.

It is my hope to realize performance after performance with this score and I invite you to help in that realization.

Most Sincerely,

Francis Koerber
Composer

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Movement I. Dawn—Twilight—Sunrise

Movement II. Morning

Movement III. Noon

Movement IV. Afternoon Into Evening

Movement V. Sunset—Twilight—Dusk

Movement VI. Evening Into Night

Movement VII. Midnight

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