Night Moods

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1st Trombone & +9: 1 Score 2nd Trombone 6 + 9: 1 **Piccolo** 1st Flute Bass Trombone & + 9 1 2nd Flute 3 Baritone 6 + 2 4 1 Oboe Eb Bass 1st Bassoon 2 Bb Bass 1 2nd Bassoon 2 Tuba 9: 1 E^b Clarinet (optional) 1 String Bass (optional) 1st Bb Clarinet 1 Timpani (optional) 2nd Bb Clarinet Glockenspiel / Xylophone 1 3rd Bb Clarinet Drums 1 Bb Bass Clarinet 1 Bb Soprano Saxophone (optional) 2 1st Eb Alto Saxophone **Special Parts** 2 2nd E^b Alto Saxophone 1 1st Bb Trombone 9: 2 Bb Tenor Saxophone 2nd Bb Trombone 9: 1 Eb Baritone Saxophone Bb Bass Trombone 2: 1 Eb Trumpet / Cornet (optional) Bb Baritone 9: 3 1st B Trumpet / Cornet E♭ Tuba 9: 3 2nd B Trumpet / Cornet Bb Tuba 9: 3 3rd B Trumpet / Cornet 1st F & Eb Horn 2nd F & E^b Horn 2

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Andrew Mackereth was born in Gateshead, in the North-East of England in 1965. A fourth generation Salvationist, he first attended a meeting aged barely a week old. The son of officer parents, he has lived in many places including 4 years in Zambia and nine years in Kingston-upon-Hull. It was here that he began his earliest musical training.

In 1982, he returned to his native North-East to enrol on the Certificate in Brass Band Studies Course at Newcastle College of Arts & Technology, studying trombone, euphonium and tuba. In 1984, Andrew gained a place at the Birmingham School of Music to study Trombone and Composition, later studying Percussion and Conducting also. In his fourth year, he won the Bernhard Brown Memorial Composition Prize. At the completion of his studies, he entered the teaching profession first in Nuneaton before moving to Birmingham to become Head of Music in the largest UK school.

His first publication was the song "Ring the Bells of Heaven" in 1987, but it was 1996 before his first piece for brass band entered the repertoire. To date, more than 500 of his compositions; religious and secular are in print; many frequently feature on the concert programmes of Salvation Army Bands. In November of 2008 he was honoured by the New York Staff Band with a concert of his music entitled Profile 30. Andrew has led music programmes in Argentina, America, Germany and Netherlands and guest conducts brass bands in Germany and Sweden.

Numerous commissions include STANDARD BEARERS for the International Staff Band of The Salvation Army, HYMNUS for Wilhelmina Easterein (Netherlands) and EXALTATION for the Melbourne Staff Band. Other notable collaborations include North York Temple Band, Canadian Staff Band, Amsterdam Staff Band and Songsters. His bass trombone solo: Swing Low has been recorded by the renowned Bass Trombonist: Douglas Yeo and Tubist: Leslie Neish.

In addition to numerous guest conducting appearances, Andrew is the Bandmaster of the Nuneaton Salvation Army Band, The Salvation Army Symphonic Wind Ensemble and The Glebe Symphonic Wind Orchestra.



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"Night Moods" is a musical exploration of the essence of night.

The work is structured in a manner that each movement is self-sufficient and could be performed as a standalone piece. Nevertheless, the narrative progression ensures that the thematic elements remain consistent throughout the three movements, creating a cohesive whole when performed sequentially.

#1 Dream

As the title implies, this is expansive and tranquil music in which the protagonist finds solace. The music swells and undulates freely, incorporating moments of grandeur and nobility before returning to a state of tranquillity.

#2 Night Manoeuvres

This movement reflects an action dream in which the protagonist is a spy or military person, deep in hostile territory. The focus here is on drama and tension. The three-note motif from movement one is transformed into cascading descending fourths. This is heroic music, and intentional nods to action hero themes should be embraced and fully exploited.

#3 Nightmare

Inevitably, the dream and rest are interrupted by tense, angular phrases that represent anxious thoughts. Attempts to return to the realm of dreams are unsuccessful, and we descend into the full horror of a restless sleep plagued by sharks, screams, and bumps in the night.





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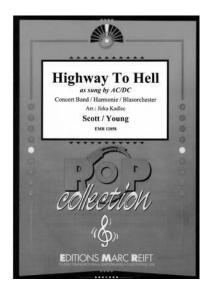


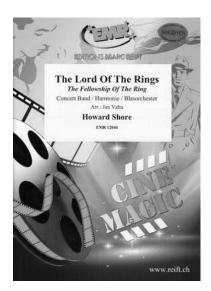


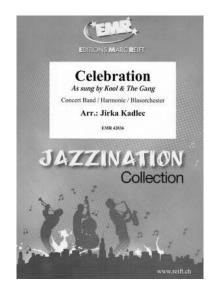


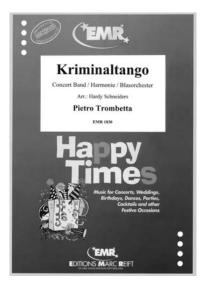
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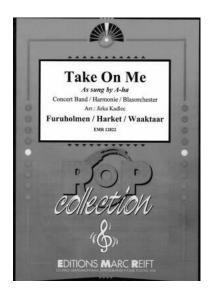
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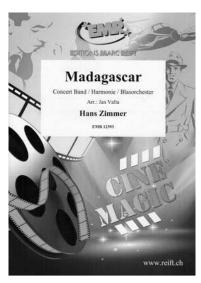












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