

Galop Comique

(Aspects: Movement 3)

For Concert Band, Grade 3.5

By Randall D. Standridge (ASCAP)

Instrumentation

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| 1 - Full Score | 3 - Bb Trumpet 1 |
| 2 - Piccolo | 3 - Bb Trumpet 2 |
| 4 - Flute 1 | 3 - Bb Trumpet 3 |
| 4 - Flute 2 | 3 - F Horn 1 |
| 2 - Oboe | 3 - F Horn 2 |
| 2 - Bassoon | 2 - Trombone 1 |
| 3 - Bb Clarinet 1 | 2 - Trombone 2 |
| 3 - Bb Clarinet 2 | 2 - Trombone 3 |
| 3 - Bb Clarinet 3 | 2 - Euphonium B. C. |
| 2 - Bb Bass Clarinet | 2 - Euphonium T. C. |
| 1 - Bb Contrabass Clarinet | 4 - Tuba |
| 3 - Eb Alto Saxophone 1 | 2 - String Bass |
| 3 - Eb Alto Saxophone 2 | |
| 2 - Bb Tenor Saxophone | |
| 2 - Eb Baritone Saxophone | |

- 2 - Mallets 1: Bells
2 - Mallets 2: Xylophone
2 - Timpani
3 - Percussion 1&2: P1:Snare Drum, P2: Bass Drum
2 - Percussion 3: Crash Cymbals/Tambourine
2 - Percussion 4: Ratchet/Slapstick/Siren Whistle/Two Woodblocks

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Program Notes

Galop Comique is the third movement of **Aspects**, a multi-movement work commissioned by the **American School Band Directors Association Education Foundation**, and dedicated to **Ross Leeper (IA)**—a founding member of the ASBDA Education Foundation and past president of the organization. Each movement in this suite reflects a different facet of Ross's musical preferences and personality, as described by those who knew him best.

From what I've been told, Ross had a wonderful sense of humor—a light-hearted, good-natured personality that brought joy to those around him. While he deeply valued musical excellence, he also appreciated levity and fun, and this movement is meant to capture that joyful spirit.

Galop Comique is a fast-paced Grade 3–3.5 work that brings energy, playfulness, and a few musical surprises along the way. Inspired by the traditions of the classic galop, the piece includes whimsical moments, comic timing, and even a few musical winks—including quotes from Mozart's *Eine kleine Nachtmusik*, one of Ross's favorite composers.

Just when you think you've reached the expected lyrical trio section... you haven't. Instead, the music launches into a dazzling, technically challenging xylophone solo, a tongue-in-cheek twist that plays with galop expectations and gives your percussionist a well-deserved moment in the spotlight.

This movement is designed to be a musical smile—a tribute to the laughter, joy, and sparkle that can be such a vital part of a musician's life. Whether performed on its own or as part of the complete **Aspects** suite, **Galop Comique** offers a reminder that great music doesn't always have to be serious... sometimes, it just needs to be fun.

Peace, Love, and Music – Randall Standridge

Rehearsal suggestions

- The tempo of this work is critical to its character. Please note and honor the intended tempos.
- Dynamics should be noticeable and taken to extremes.
- Percussion should be on the higher end of dynamic balance. Do not hide them.

Movements of Aspects

1. Awaken (*Aspects: Movement 1*)
2. In Memoriam (*Aspects: Movement 2*)
3. Galop Comique (*Aspects: Movement 3*)

Movement 4 to be released in the coming year.

About the Composer



Randall Standridge (b.1976) received his Bachelor's of Music Education from Arkansas State University. During this time, he studied composition with Dr. Tom O'Connor before returning to Arkansas State University to earn his Master's in Music Composition, studying with Dr. Tom O'Connor and Dr. Tim Crist. In 2001, he began his tenure as Director of Bands at Harrisburg High School in Harrisburg, Arkansas. He left this post in 2013 to pursue a career as a full-time composer and marching arts designer.

Mr. Standridge's music is performed internationally. He has had numerous works selected for the J.W. Pepper's editor's choice. His compositions *Snake Charmer*, *Gently Blows the Summer Wind*, and *Angelic Celebrations* have been included in the "Teaching Music Through Performance in Band" series. He has had numerous works performed at the prestigious Midwest Clinic in Chicago, Illinois. The Arkansas State University Wind Ensemble premiered his work *Art(isms)* at the 2010 CBDNA conference in Las Cruces, New Mexico, and his work *Stonewall: 1969* was premiered at the National LGBA conference in 2019. His *Symphony no.1: A Ghost Story* was premiered in 2023. In addition, Mr. Standridge's "unBroken Project," a musical initiative about mental health, has received widespread acclaim for its musical content and for providing opportunities to normalize discussions about mental health for music students and audiences.

In addition to his career as a composer, Mr. Standridge is the owner and editor of Randall Standridge Music, LLC and Grand Mesa Marching. He is in demand as an arranger/designer for the marching arts. He lives in Jonesboro, Arkansas, with his husband, Steven, and their very, very spoiled pets. For more information about Mr. Standridge, visit his website at: www.randallstandridge.com

Full Score
Grade 4
Duration: 2:00

Aspects

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Movement II: The Comedian

Galop! ♩ = 160

Piccolo

Flute 1/2

Oboe

Bassoon

B♭ Clarinet 1

B♭ Clarinet 2/3

B♭ Bass Clarinet

B♭ Contrabass Clarinet

E♭ Alto Saxophone 1/2

B♭ Tenor Saxophone

E♭ Baritone Saxophone

B♭ Trumpet 1

B♭ Trumpet 2/3

Horn in F 1/2

Trombone 1

Trombone 2/3

Euphonium

Tuba

String Bass*
(written up 8va)

Mallets 1
Bells

Mallets 2
Xylophone

Timpani
G.C.F.

Percussion 1/2
F1: Snare Drum
P2: Bass Drum

Percussion 3
Crash Cymbals
Tambourine

Percussion 4
Ratchet
Slapstick
Siren Whistle
Two Woodblocks

1 2 3 4 5 6 sfz

7 8 9 10 11 12

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This page of the musical score for "Aspects - Mvt. II" contains measures 13 through 18. The score is written for a large symphony orchestra and includes percussion. The key signature is one sharp (F#), and the time signature is 4/4. The woodwind section includes Piccolo, Flute 1/2, Oboe, Bassoon, B♭ Clarinet 1, B♭ Clarinet 2/3, B♭ Clarinet, Contrabass Clarinet, Alto Saxophone 1/2, Tenor Saxophone, and Baritone Saxophone. The brass section includes B♭ Trumpet 1, B♭ Trumpet 2/3, Horn 1/2, Trombone 1, Trombone 2/3, Euphonium, and Tuba/Bass. The percussion section includes Mallet 1, Mallet 2, Timpani, Percussion 1/2 (with Tambourine), Percussion 3, and Percussion 4. The score features various dynamics such as *mf* (mezzo-forte) and *mp* (mezzo-piano), and includes performance markings like accents, slurs, and breath marks. The woodwinds and strings play complex rhythmic patterns, while the brass and percussion provide a strong harmonic and rhythmic foundation.

Picc.

Fl. 1/2

Ob.

Bsn.

B♭ Cl. 1

B♭ Cl. 2/3

B. Cl.

Cb. Cl.

A. Sx. 1/2

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

B♭ Tpt. 1

B♭ Tpt. 2/3

Hn. 1/2

Tbn. 1

Tbn. 2/3

Euph.

Tuba Bass

Mal. 1

Mal. 2

Timp.

Perc. 1/2

Perc. 3

Perc. 4

13 14 15 16 17 18

Picc.
 Fl. 1/2
 Ob.
 Bsn.
 B $\flat$ Cl. 1
 B $\flat$ Cl. 2/3
 B. Cl.
 Eb Cl.
 A. Sx. 1/2
 T. Sx.
 B. Sx.
 B $\flat$ Tpt. 1
 B $\flat$ Tpt. 2/3
 Hn. 1/2
 Tbn. 1
 Tbn. 2/3
 Euph.
 Tuba
 Bass
 Mal. 1
 Mal. 2
 Timp.
 Perc. 1/2
 Perc. 3
 Perc. 4

25

[illegible]

33

Picc.

Fl. 1/2

Ob.

Bsn.

B $\flat$ Cl. 1

B $\flat$ Cl. 2/3

B. Cl.

Cb. Cl.

A. Sx. 1/2

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

B $\flat$ Tpt. 1

B $\flat$ Tpt. 2/3

Hn. 1/2

Tbn. 1

Tbn. 2/3

Euph.

Tuba Bass

Mal. 1

Mal. 2

Timp.

Perc. 1/2

Perc. 3

Perc. 4

31 32 33 34 35 36

f *mf* *mp* *sfz* *fff*

Slapstick

Siren Whistle

37

Picc.

Fl. 1/2

Ob.

Bsn.

B♭ Cl. 1

B♭ Cl. 2/3

B. Cl.

Cb. Cl.

A. Sx. 1/2

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

B♭ Tpt. 1

B♭ Tpt. 2/3

Hn. 1/2

Tbn. 1

Tbn. 2/3

Euph.

Tuba Bass

Mal. 1

Mal. 2

Timp.

Perc. 1/2

Perc. 3

Perc. 4

W. Blks.

Tamb.

p

p

mf

f

mf

mf

37 38 39 40 41 42

45

Picc.
 Fl. 1/2
 Ob.
 Bsn.
 B♭ Cl. 1
 B♭ Cl. 2/3
 B. Cl.
 Cb. Cl.
 A. Sx. 1/2
 T. Sx.
 B. Sx.
 B♭ Tpt. 1
 B♭ Tpt. 2/3
 Hn. 1/2
 Tbn. 1
 Tbn. 2/3
 Euph.
 Tuba
 Bass
 Mal. 1
 Mal. 2
 Timp.
 Perc. 1/2
 Perc. 3
 Perc. 4

43 44 45 46 47 48 49

53

Picc.

Fl. 1/2

Ob.

Bsn.

B♭ Cl. 1

B♭ Cl. 2/3

B. Cl.

Cb. Cl.

A. Sx. 1/2

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

B♭ Tpt. 1

B♭ Tpt. 2/3

Hn. 1/2

Tbn. 1

Tbn. 2/3

Euph.

Tuba Bass

Mal. 1

Mal. 2

Timp.

Perc. 1/2

Perc. 3

Perc. 4

Change: A to G, D to C

Slapstick

50 51 52 53 54 55 56

61

Picc. *mf* *ff* *sfz* *f*

Fl. 1/2 *mf* *ff* *sfz* *f*

Ob. *mf* *ff* *sfz* *f*

Bsn. *mf* *ff* *sfz* *f*

B♭ Cl. 1 *mf* *ff* *sfz* *f*

B♭ Cl. 2/3 *mf* *ff* *sfz* *f*

B. Cl. *mf* *ff* *sfz* *f*

Cb. Cl. *mf* *ff* *sfz* *f*

A. Sx. 1/2 *mf* *ff* *sfz* *f*

T. Sx. *mf* *ff* *sfz* *f*

B. Sx. *mf* *ff* *sfz* *f*

B♭ Tpt. 1 *mf* *ff* *sfz* *f*

B♭ Tpt. 2/3 *mf* *ff* *sfz* *f*

Hn. 1/2 *mf* *ff* *sfz* *f*

Tbn. 1 *mf* *ff* *sfz* *f*

Tbn. 2/3 *mf* *ff* *sfz* *f*

Euph. *mf* *ff* *sfz* *f*

Tuba Bass *mf* *ff* *sfz* *f*

Mal. 1 *mf* *ff* *sfz* *f*

Mal. 2 *mf* *ff* *sfz* *f*

Timp. *fp* *f* *fp* *ff* *sfz*

Perc. 1/2 *fp* *f* *fp* *ff* *sfz* *f*

Perc. 3 *f* *sfz* *f*

Perc. 4 *f* *sfz* *f*

57 58 59 60 61 62

Picc.

Fl. 1/2

Ob.

Bsn.

B♭ Cl. 1

B♭ Cl. 2/3

B. Cl.

Cb. Cl.

A. Sx. 1/2

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

B♭ Tpt. 1

B♭ Tpt. 2/3

Hn. 1/2

Tbn. 1

Tbn. 2/3

Euph.

Tuba
Bass

Mal. 1

Mal. 2

Timp.

Perc. 1/2

Perc. 3

Perc. 4

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Picc. *ff*

Fl. 1/2 *ff*

Ob. *ff*

Bsn. *ff*

B $\flat$ Cl. 1 *ff*

B $\flat$ Cl. 2/3 *ff*

B. Cl. *ff*

Cb. Cl. *ff*

A. Sx. 1/2 *ff*

T. Sx. *ff*

B. Sx. *ff*

B $\flat$ Tpt. 1 *ff*

B $\flat$ Tpt. 2/3 *ff*

Hn. 1/2 *ff*

Tbn. 1 *ff*

Tbn. 2/3 *ff*

Euph. *ff*

Tuba Bass *ff*

Mal. 1 *ff*

Mal. 2

Timp. *ff*

Perc. 1/2 *ff*

Perc. 3 *ff*

Perc. 4 *ff*

75

1. Solo

Picc. *mf* Piccolo *ff* All *ff*

Fl. 1/2 *mf* *ff* *ff* *ff*

Ob. *ff* *ff* *ff* *ff*

Bsn. *pp* *ff* *ff* *ff*

B> Cl. 1 *ff* *ff* *ff* *ff*

B> Cl. 2/3 *ff* *ff* *ff* *ff*

B. Cl. *pp* *ff* *ff* *ff*

Cb. Cl. *pp* *ff* *ff* *ff*

A. Sx. 1/2 *mf* Horn in F 1 *ff* *ff* *ff* *ff*

T. Sx. *pp* *ff* *ff* *ff*

B. Sx. *pp* *ff* *ff* *ff*

B> Tpt. 1 *pp* *ff* *ff* *ff*

B> Tpt. 2/3 1. *pp* 2. div. *pp* *ff* *ff* *ff*

Hn. 1/2 1. Solo *mf* All *ff* *ff* *ff*

Tbn. 1 *pp* *ff* *ff* *ff*

Tbn. 2/3 *pp* *ff* *ff* *ff*

Euph. *pp* *ff* *ff* *ff*

Tuba Bass *pp* *ff* *ff* *ff*

Mal. 1 *pp* *ff* *ff* *ff*

Mal. 2 *pp* *ff* *ff* *ff*

Timp. *ff* *ff* *ff* *ff*

Perc. 1/2 *pp* *sfz* *ff* *ff* (Ch)

Perc. 3 *ff* *ff* *ff* *ff*

Perc. 4 Slapstick Siren Whistle *sfz* *ff* *ff* *ff*

75 76 77 78 79 80