

Title of Piece (date of completion) (and movements if applicable):	Legends of the Northern Wind (1999)
Instrumentation:	Wind Band (Grade 2-1/2)
Duration:	Five Minutes
Commissioned by:	Michigan School Band and Orchestra Association Region 8
Premiered:	February 6, 2000 District VIII Junior High Honor Bands
Other:	This work won First Prize in the 1999 National Band Association/Merrill Jones Composition Competition
Program Notes:	Legends of the Northern Wind was inspired by the natural beauty of the Pictured Rocks National Lakeshore and the unique maritime legends of the Lake Superior coastline. Upon visiting this pristine region, I was touched by the gentle northern wind blowing across my face and the thundering waves crashing against the colorful cliffs beneath me. I was also moved as the summer sun revealed the legends of storms and shipwrecks hidden within these crystal clear waters. Legends of the Northern Wind is a musical portrait of this magical wind and the enchanting legends which are told of it.
Professional Recordings:	None at this time
Reviews:	None at this time
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