



Aces of the Sky

March

CHRISTINA HUSS

Instrumentation

Full Score	1
Flute	8
Oboe (Opt. Flute 2)	2
B♭ Clarinet 1	6
B♭ Clarinet 2	6
Bass Clarinet	2
Bassoon	2
Alto Saxophone	5
Tenor Saxophone	2
Baritone Saxophone	2
B♭ Trumpet 1	6
B♭ Trumpet 2	6
Horn in F	4
Trombone	4
Euphonium	2
Baritone T.C.	2
Tuba	4
Timpani	2
Mallets	2
Bells	
Percussion 1	2
Snare Drum, Bass Drum	
Percussion 2	2
Crash Cymbals, Woodblock	

About the Composer



With a career spanning 35+ years in music education, Christina M. Huss has taught and conducted bands at both the middle school and high school level, most recently as Director of Bands at Valdosta Middle School, where she retired in 2016. Throughout her career, Ms. Huss' bands have performed in multiple venues throughout the Southeastern United States and have consistently received superior ratings in various state and regional events.

Ms. Huss has served in a variety of roles in state music affiliations, and has enjoyed several honors and awards, including Teacher of the Year and STAR Teacher, during her 28-year tenure at Brooks County High School in Quitman, GA. Since retiring, Christina enjoys composing music for band, and continues to mentor and teach middle school band part-time for the Lowndes County, GA band program. Prior to coming to Lowndes County, she served as Director of Bands at both Valdosta Middle School in Valdosta, GA and Berrien Middle School in Nashville, GA.

Ms. Huss is a founding co-director and conductor of the Azalea Winds Community Band based in Valdosta, GA, where she continues to perform and serve as an adjudicator, guest conductor, and clinician. Most recently, Ms. Huss is a 2021 Recipient of the Citation of Merit from the Women Band Directors International.

Aces of the Sky March

Aces of the Sky features fresh melodic material in the classic march styles of Fillmore and King. Composer Christina Huss has thoughtfully crafted a fresh, playable take on the classic march form, striving to make it accessible to younger players. Written in B♭ and modulating to E♭, this work includes many of the essential march elements- from singable melodies and countermelodies to traditional harmonies and memorable low brass strains. *Aces of the Sky* offers 6 percussion parts which are written for maximum excitement and entertainment. A great choice when choosing a playable programming selection.



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CHRISTINA HUSS
(ASCAP)

Bright March Tempo

Flute

2
4Oboe
(Opt. Flute 2)2
4

B♭ Clarinet 1

2
4

B♭ Clarinet 2

2
4

Bass Clarinet

2
4

Bassoon

2
4Alto
Saxophone2
4Tenor
Saxophone2
4Baritone
Saxophone2
4

B♭ Trumpet 1

2
4

B♭ Trumpet 2

2
4

Horn in F

2
4

Trombone

2
4

Euphonium

2
4

Tuba

2
4Timpani
(F: B♭; E♭)2
4Mallets
(Bells)2
4Percussion 1
(Snare Drum,
Bass Drum)2
4Percussion 2
(Crash Cymbal,
Woodblock)2
4

5

5

5

5

5

5

5

5

5

1

2

3

4

5

6

Aces of the Sky - Full Score

Fl.

Ob.

B. Cl. 1

B. Cl. 2

B. Cl.

Bsn.

A. Sax.

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

B. Tpt. 1

B. Tpt. 2

Hn.

Tbn.

Euph.

Tuba

Tim.

Mlt.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Aces of the Sky - Full Score

5

Fl.

Ob.

Bsn.

Bb Cl. 1

Bb Cl. 2

B. Cl.

A. Sax.

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

Bb Tpt. 1

Bb Tpt. 2

Hn.

Tbn.

Euph.

Tuba

Timp.

Mlt.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Aces of the Sky - Full Score

22

Fl.

Ob.

B♭ Cl. 1

B♭ Cl. 2

B. Cl.

Bsn.

A. Sax.

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

B♭ Tpt. 1

B♭ Tpt. 2

Hn.

Tbn.

Euph.

Tuba

Tim.

Mlt.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

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23

24

25

26

27

28

29

Aces of the Sky - Full Score

7

Fl.

Ob.

B♭ Cl. 1

B♭ Cl. 2

B. Cl.

Bsn.

A. Sax.

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

B♭ Tpt. 1

B♭ Tpt. 2

Hn.

Tbn.

Euph.

Tuba

Tim.

Mlt.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

39 Trio

Fl.

Ob.

B♭ Cl. 1

B♭ Cl. 2

B. Cl.

Bsn.

A. Sax.

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

B♭ Tpt. 1

B♭ Tpt. 2

Hn.

Tbn.

Euph.

Tuba

Timp.

Mlt.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Woodblock

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38 39 40 41 42 43 44

Fl.

Ob.

B♭ Cl. 1

B♭ Cl. 2

B. Cl.

Bsn.

A. Sax.

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

B♭ Tpt. 1

B♭ Tpt. 2

Hn.

Tbn.

Euph.

Tuba

Tim.

Mlt.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Aces of the Sky - Full Score

55

Fl.

Ob.

B. Cl. 1

B. Cl. 2

B. Cl.

Bsn.

A. Sax.

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

B. Tpt. 1

B. Tpt. 2

Hn.

Tbn.

Euph.

Tuba

Timp.

Mlt.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Fl.

Ob.

B♭ Cl. 1

B♭ Cl. 2

B. Cl.

Bsn.

A. Sax.

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

B♭ Tpt. 1

B♭ Tpt. 2

Hn.

Tbn.

Euph.

Tuba

Tim.

Mlt.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Aces of the Sky - Full Score

71

Fl.

Ob.

B. Cl. 1

B. Cl. 2

B. Cl.

Bsn.

A. Sax.

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

B_b Tpt. 1

B_b Tpt. 2

Hn.

Tbn.

Euph.

Tuba

Tim.

Mlt.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

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Fl.

Ob.

B♭ Cl. 1

B♭ Cl. 2

B. Cl.

Bsn.

A. Sax.

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

B♭ Tpt. 1

B♭ Tpt. 2

Hn.

Tbn.

Euph.

Tuba

Timp.

Mlt.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

f

mf

73

74

75

76

77

78

79

The musical score for "Aces of the Sky - Full Score" page 14 features a grid of 18 staves, each representing a different instrument or section of the orchestra. The instruments listed from top to bottom are: Flute (Fl.), Oboe (Ob.), Bassoon (Bsn.), Bass Clarinet 1 (Bb Cl. 1), Bass Clarinet 2 (Bb Cl. 2), Bassoon (B. Cl.), Alto Saxophone (A. Sax.), Tenor Saxophone (T. Sax.), Baritone Saxophone (B. Sax.), Trombone 1 (Bb Tpt. 1), Trombone 2 (Bb Tpt. 2), Horn (Hn.), Trombone (Tbn.), Euphonium (Euph.), Tuba, Timpani (Timp.), Mallet Percussion (Mlt.), Percussion 1 (Perc. 1), and Percussion 2 (Perc. 2). The score is divided into measures 80 through 86. Measures 80-83 show a steady pattern of eighth-note and sixteenth-note strokes across the ensemble. Measures 84-85 introduce dynamic markings: 'f' (fortissimo) for the brass and woodwind sections, and 'ffz' (fortississimo) for the percussive instruments. Measure 86 concludes with a final dynamic marking of 'ffz' for the percussive instruments.

87

Fl.

Ob.

B♭ Cl. 1

B♭ Cl. 2

B. Cl.

Bsn.

A. Sax.

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

B♭ Tpt. 1

B♭ Tpt. 2

Hn.

Tbn.

Euph.

Tuba

Timp.

Mlt.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

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Fl.

Ob.

B♭ Cl. 1

B♭ Cl. 2

B. Cl.

Bsn.

A. Sax.

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

B♭ Tpt. 1

B♭ Tpt. 2

Hn.

Tbn.

Euph.

Tuba

Tim.

Mlt.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

95 96 97 98 99 100 101 102