

NSBA Core Repertoire List

This “Core Repertoire List” is intended to be a guide. Nebraska Committees determined that these are the top ten pieces, by grade level, at the core of our concert band repertoire.

GRADE 1:

Broege - Train Heading West
Byrd/Fenske - La Volta
Daehn - Song for Friends
Duffy - March of the Nightcrawlers
Edmondson - Anasazi
Hillard/Elledge/Pearson - African Festival
Pearson - Ayre and Dance
Ryden - Jeanette, Isabella
Smith, R. W. - The Tempest
Visconti/DelBorgo - Space Echoes

GRADE 2:

Broege - Rhythm Machine
Curnow - Korean Folk Rhapsody
Erickson - Balladair
Grundman - Little Suite for Band
Grundman - Kentucky 1800
Holsinger - A Childhood Hymn
McBeth - Canto
McGinty - The Red Balloon
Susato/Margolis - The Battle Pavane
Ticheli - Portrait of a Clown

GRADE 3:

Carter - Overture for Winds
Daehn - As Summer Was Just Beginning
Erickson - Air for Band
Erickson - Toccata for Band
Holsinger - On a Hymnsong of Philip Bliss
McBeth - Chant and Jubilo
Stuart - Three Ayres from Gloucester
Ticheli - Sundance
Tschesnokoff/Houseknect - Salvation in Created
Vaughan Williams - Flourish for Wind Band

GRADE 4:

Arnold/Paynter - Prelude, Siciliano, and Rondo
Chance - Variations on a Korean Folk Song
Dello Joio - Scenes from “The Louvre”
Grainger/Rogers - Irish Tune from County Derry
Hanson - Chorale and Alleluia
Holst/Matthews - First Suite in E-flat
Holst/Matthews - Second Suite in F
Persichetti - Pageant
Vaughan Williams - Folk Song Suite
Zdechlik - Chorale and Shaker Dance

GRADE 5:

Arnold/Paynter - Four Scottish Dances
Dello Joio - Variants on a Medieval Tune
Grantham - Southern Harmony
Jacob - William Byrd Suite
Milhaud - Suite Franciase
Persichetti - Symphony No. 6
Reed, H. O. - La Fiesta Mexicana
Schuman - Chester
Schuman - George Washington Bridge
Ticheli - Blue Shades

GRADE 6:

Colgrass - Winds of Nagual
Dahl - Sinfionetta
Grainger/Fennell - Lincolnshire Posy
Hindemith - Symphony in B-flat
Holst - Hammersmith
Husa - Music for Prague 1968
Maslanka - A Child’s Garden of Dreams
Schoenberg - Theme and Variations op. 43a
Schwantner - and the mountains rising nowhere
Stravinsky - Symphonies of Wind Instruments