Grade 3

Music for String Orchestra

Spirit of Adventure

Daniel Keeler

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INSTRUMENTATION

Violin I 8
Violin II 8
Viola 5
Cello 5
Bass 5

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Performance Notes

Our spirit of adventure has a driving force to explore and create something new. Trepidation and danger await should a mistake be made, but we continue forward as we progress and grow. Be it the first steps of a child or climbing to the highest peaks we strive for more. We begin pushing boundaries and testing limits that have the potential to be overcome. A fun and hopeful piece, *Spirit of Adventure* is full of light and energetic syncopation and a wide dynamic range that adds to the overall drama of the piece. With a driving finish it is a piece your ensemble will love!

About the Composer

Minnesota native Dr. Daniel Keeler is a passionate cellist, educator, and composer. Praised for his "lush" and "energetic" performances and compositions, Daniel has performed on stages across the United States. He has established himself as a pedagogue with numerous masterclasses and lectures at schools and clinics across the country.

As an educator Dr. Keeler is an Orchestra Director with Mounds View Public Schools, teaches at Concordia University, taught at the University of Minnesota-Duluth, and has a private studio of students of all ages and diverse backgrounds. He has also been a guest and resident cellist and conductor for a wide variety of music festivals around the midwest. Dr. Keeler is also a board member of the Minnesota String and Orchestra Teachers Association (MNSOTA), the Minnesota branch of the American String Teachers Association.

As a cellist Dr. Keeler performs regularly with the Duluth Superior Symphony Orchestra and the Pines Quartet, has worked with the Minnesota Orchestra, and held leadership roles with other ensembles at the community, collegiate, and professional levels. He holds a Doctorate of Musical Arts from the University of Minnesota-Twin Cities, a Masters of Music from the University of Missouri-Columbia, and Bachelors in Music Education from the University of Minnesota-Duluth.

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Carl Fischer's *Music for String Orchestra* provides teachers with quality repertoire for ensemble grade levels ½ to 4½. The music in each grade has been carefully written and edited, within specific guidelines, so that it will only use the technical demands for that level.

Within each grade level, you will find selections in a variety of styles and genres designed to meet all of your teaching and performance needs. Carl Fischer composers and arrangers are some of the most respected writers in the business. Their music is interesting, fresh and worthy of serious study. It is crafted to bring out the very best sound from students.

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