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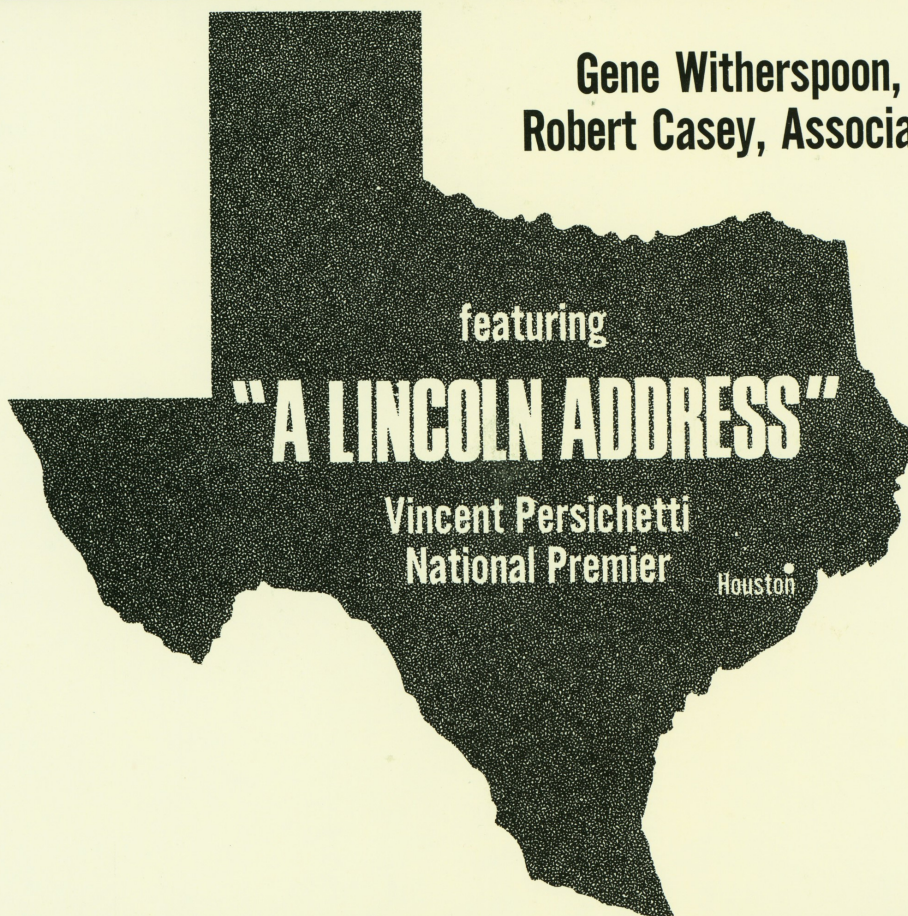
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# ARKANSAS TECH SYMPHONIC BAND

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## COLLEGE BAND DIRECTORS NATIONAL CONVENTION

1974 Southwest Division Convention  
University of Houston, Cullen Auditorium  
Houston, Texas, February 1-2, 1974

# SOUVENIR RECORD ALBUM



Gene Witherspoon, Conductor and Tommy Slater, Narrator

The Arkansas Tech Symphonic Band was honored to have been selected as a participant and Arkansas representative for the CBDNA 1974 Southwestern Division Convention Program in Houston, Texas, on February 1. Highlighting the performance was the national premier of the band version of "A Lincoln Address", commissioned by the Arkansas Tech Band Alumni as a memorial to Hallie Belle Witherspoon.

The Finale from "Symphony No. 3" was enthusiastically received and this represented the 4th performance of this work; the other 3 with Dr. Slocum conducting were at Interlochen, the University of Florida and the U.S. Army Band. The bandsmen were honored by two standing ovations, one following the "A Lincoln Address" and the other following the completion of the program. Dr. Persichetti, Dr. Schuman, Don Owen, Dr. Slocum and Lt. Col. Thurston all expressed delight and congratulations with the performances of their works.

The trip will be remembered not only for the standing ovations received on all concerts but also because of the sightseeing tours of Houston—visits to the Astrodome and the gracious hospitality extended to the bandsmen throughout the tour.

The Tech Band has an enviable record of convention appearances including 3 national conventions—the Music Educators National Conference (MENC), Kansas City, Missouri, 1966, the College Band Directors National Association (CBDNA), Ann Arbor, Michigan, 1967, and the American School Band Directors National Association (ASBDA), Hot Springs, Arkansas, 1970, and the Southwestern Division MENC Convention, St. Louis, Missouri, 1969. En route to Houston the band played concerts at Ft. Smith Northside High School, Ft. Smith Southside High School, Mena High School, DeQueen and Texarkana High School.

## THE BAND DEPARTMENT

The 1974 Tech Symphonic Band is composed of 95 select members (33 freshmen, 22 sophomores, 17 juniors, 17 seniors and six faculty) and rehearses five hours a week. The Symphonic Band is featured in 4 major concerts each year in addition to the annual tour. The bandsmen take pride in having had some of the nation's finest artists as soloists, guest conductors and clinicians. These featured artists include: Dr. Vincent Persichetti, Varlay Nelhybel, Frederick Fennell, Himie Voxman, George Waln, Frederick Wilkins, William Gower, Sigurd Rascher, Fred Hemke, Don Jacoby, John Haynie, Harold Brasch, Soulima Stravinsky, James Neilson, J. Clifton Williams, Francis McBeth, Earl Kent, Grant Beglarian, John Davies and Martin Mailman.

## PICCOLO

Lauren Fraser, Ozark (So)

## FLUTES

Sam Brooks, Mansfield (F)

Kathy Brown, Russellville (So)

Janet Crow, Russellville (F)

Sheree Duffie, Booneville (So)

Lauren Fraser, Ozark (So)

Dot White Hubsch, L.R. Robinson (Sr)

Gwen Ott, Marshall (F)

Jimmy Poole, Russellville (Sr)

Philip Sample, Faculty

Gayle Shaver, Ft. Smith Northside (F)

Catie Shinn, Col. Springs, Col. (F)

Sherry Swain, Morrilton (F)

\*Mary Ann True, L.R. Parkview (F)

## CLARINETS

Janet Cobb, N.L.R. Sylvan Hills (So)

Randy Everett, Searcy (J)

Richard Fletcher, Faculty

Lee Ann Fortson, N.L.R. Ole Main (So)

Duke Gill, Marvell (F)

\*Robert Haberer, Ozark (J)

Debbie Henley, Harrison (F)

Jolene Johnson, N.L.R. Ole Main (So)

Bill Ladd, Ft. Smith Southside (J)

Janet Loper, Russellville (F)

Sammie McDowell, Russellville (F)

Betty Madden, Pine Bluff (F)

Martha Parker, Dardanelle (So)

Russ Pearson, Morrilton (So)

Kay Simmons, Ft. Smith Southside (F)

Bruce Williamson, Malvern (Sr)

## ALTO CLARINETS

Becky Martin, Harrison (F)

\*Leslie Welch, Ft. Smith Northside (So)

## BASS CLARINETS

Bill Bracken, Ft. Smith Southside (F)

\*Steve Workman, L.R. Parkview (So)

## CONTRA-BASS CLARINET

Elaine Watkins, Van Buren (So)

## OBOES-ENGLISH HORNS

Doris Fong, Marianna (F)

\*Jan Narramore, Ft. Smith Southside (F)

## BASSOONS

Kris Fletcher, Faculty

Judy Garrigus, Russellville (Sr)

Vicky Hill, Morrilton (J)

\*Rex Perry, N.L.R. Ole Main (F)

## BAND PERSONNEL

### SAXOPHONES

Rebecca Crutchfield, Waldron (J)

June Drain, Ozark (Sr)

Lynn Farr, N.L.R. Ole Main (So)

\*David Kapec, Alex., Virginia (So)

Steve Piker, Newport (F)

### TENOR SAXOPHONES

Mike Chaffin, Trumann (So)

Danny Davis, L.R. McClellan (J)

### BARITONE SAXOPHONES

Gordon Bell, Sylvan Hills (Sr)

Steve Piker, Newport (F)

\*Marsha McCoy, Yelville (So)

### FRENCH HORNS

Mike Bullard, Newport (J)

Bobby Davis, N.L.R. Ole Main (So)

\*Don Hall, L.R. McClellan (Sr)

Virginia Hicks, Helena (So)

Dave Maxwell, N.L.R. Ole Main (So)

Claude Smith, Walnut Ridge (So)

### TRUMPETS

Janet Canter, Mena (F)

Chip Clark, Little Rock Central (F)

Richard Grady, Faculty

David Jurgenson, L.R. McClellan (Sr)

Lonnie Landers, Russellville (Sr)

Bill Maxwell, N.L.R. Ole Main (Sr)

Kim Millsap, Russellville (J)

Joe Morris, Harrison (F)

J. D. Parker, Dardanelle (So)

Robert Phelan, Searcy (Sr)

\*Sam Ponder, Walnut Ridge (So)

Brenda Shockley, Morrilton (J)

Mickey Siler, L.R. McClellan (J)

### BARITONES

Joe Ford, L.R. Parkview (F)

Roy Hipp, Newport (F)

\*Clifford Lyon, Ft. Smith Southside (Sr)

Ricky Moffitt, Searcy (Sr)

Gary Reynolds, Mena (So)

Andy Wiley, Atkins (F)

### TROMBONES

\*Shannon Briggs, Russellville (Sr)

John Combs, Walnut Ridge (Sr)

David Jones, Ft. Smith Northside (F)

Steve Kesner, Ft. Smith Southside (F)

David Myers, L.R. Parkview (So)

Mike Ponder, Newport (F)

### TUBAS

Volta Anders, Faculty

Mark Denniston, Russellville (F)

Elton L. Eisele, Bedford, Texas (J)

\*Larry Noble, Russellville (Sr)

Bobby Murphy, Harmony Grove (F)

### STRING BASS

Larry Noble, Russellville (Sr.)

### PERCUSSION

Mark Brookhart, Van Buren (F)

Bill Clement, Leonardtown, MD (J)

Henry Dodson, N.L.R. Ole Main (F)

Windle Ewing, Ft. Smith Northside (J)

Carolyn Hall, L.R. Hall (Sr)

Jim Jacob, Lincoln (F)

Debbie Nickles, N.L.R. Ole Main (So)

Patti Russell, Ithaca, New York (F)

Ray Wilson, L.R. McClellan (So)

### ORGAN

Rolland Shaw, Faculty

### PIANO

Patti Russell, Ithaca, New York (F)

### NARRATOR

Tommy Slater, Magnolia (Sr)

\*Section Leader

(F) Freshman, (So) Sophomore, (J) Junior, (Sr) Senior



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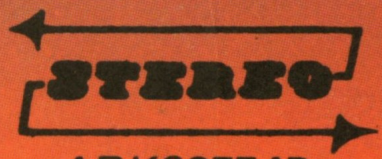
**Circus Overture**-William Schuman/Don Owen  
**El Salon Mexico**-Aaron Copland  
**The Alcotts (from Piano Sonata No. 2)**  
Charles Ives/Richard Thurston

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A Lincoln Address-Vincent Persichetti  
Finale (from Symphony No. 3)  
C. Saint-Saens/Earl Slocum

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To Al and Marg  
Thanks for the many,  
many, many acts of  
kindness and your  
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the years. May  
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