

**Dr. Joel Pugh** is the Teaching Associate Professor at the University of North Dakota and performs in the Dakota Brass, the International Brass Quintet, and is principal trombone in the Grand Forks Symphony Orchestra. In addition to teaching trombone, euphonium, and tuba, he directs the North Dakota Trombone Choir and coaches the UND Trombone Quartet and Tuba Ensembles. Dr. Pugh has performed extensively throughout the United States on trombone

and euphonium, playing in the solo, chamber, wind band, orchestral, and brass band settings. Some of the solo performances include recitals at The University of Wisconsin, Eau Claire, The University of Minnesota, Brandon University, the University of South Dakota, and East China Normal University. Concerto appearances in recent years include the Grand Forks Symphony, UND Wind Ensemble and UND Chamber Orchestras. Additionally, he accompanied the UND Trombone Quartet to Shanghai, China where he led masterclasses, conducted chamber concerts, and performed solo recitals. He has given presentations at the International Trombone Festival, the International Tuba Euphonium Conference, the North American Saxophone Alliance, the Midwest Band and Orchestra Clinic and numerous state Music Educator's conferences. He has been published in the International Tuba Euphonium Association Journal and Brass Band Bridge. He holds degrees from Michigan State University, Bowling Green State University, Ithaca College and teaches at the International Music Camp. Joel Pugh is a Courtois and Besson performing artist.



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## program

## personnel

Kingsville Overture (2010) Steven Verhelst

b. 1981

Margo Colenso

Blake Kohler

Canzon Septimi Toni No. 2 (1597/1998) Giovanni Gabrieli

(ca 1555-1612)

Arr. H. Lloyd Leno

Excursions (2002) David Wilborn Vistas

Prayers and Rituals

Carnival

b. 1961

"Tara's Theme" from Gone with the Wind (1939/1982) Max Steiner

(1888-1971)

Arr. Rodney S. Miller

Juanita Caballero Casas

Melanie Craig Elias David-Schill Benjamin Helfrich Gabrielle Helfrich Natalie Helfrich David Hysjulien

Wyatt Jones Andrew Lutz Zachary Lunde Paul Murray Jack Parrish

Benjamin Pfeiffer Samuel Sharpe Jack Smukowski Nickolas Stokke **Devon Tucker** 

Bass

Giles Askim Jim Beiswenger Haley Jorgenson Samuel Seidman Zhangzejie Xu

The Trombone King (1945/2008) Karl L. King

(1891-1971)

Arr. Jamie Revnolds

Enconium (2012) Eric Ewazen

b. 1954

Empire Fanfare (2002) Eric Ewazen

b. 1954

## **University of North Dakota Trombone Ensembles**

The UND Trombone Choir was founded by Dr. Joel Pugh in 2010 and consists of UND undergraduate and graduate students, alumni, community members and select high school students. In addition to their regular oncampus concerts and local church concert, the ensemble has performed at the North Dakota Music Educator's National Conference, and hosted the residencies of Scott Hartman, Dr. Eric Ewazen and R. Douglas Wright. The UND Trombone Octet was selected to perform a featured recital this past July at the International Trombone Festival at the University of Central Arkansas. The UND Trombone Quartet has conducted residencies at two universities in Shanghai, China in 2018. The Trombone Choir has commissioned numerous renowned composers to write pieces for them. including Kenyon Wilson: Dragon Curve (2017); Eric Ewazen: Dakota Spring (2018); Thomas Zugger, Sine Timore (Without Fear) (2019); Christopher Gable: Alarum Within (2022)