



**When the Orange Moon Crests the Blue Ridge**  
*A Scene From Winchester, Virginia*

by Coleman Rowlett  
(2017)

### About the Piece:

Winchester, Virginia is located at the northern tip of the state inbetween theAppalachian and Blue Ridge Mountains. Though Winchester itself is a small if not quiet city, it is surrounded by the peaceful rolling hills of Frederick County. This piece is a depiction of life in these quiet hills over the course of a night. It opens with the setting off the sunset and then falls away into the twilight. The twilight ends as the moon peaks up over the Blue Ridge mountains. As the moon sets, the period until dawn darkens until finally, the sun rises again.

### About the Composer:

Coleman Rowlett spent his childhood in Winchester, Virginia where is fostered his love for music at James Wood High School under the direction of Jeffrey Rutherford. Rowlett received his B.M. in Music Composition at Susquehanna University in 2016 where he studied composition under Dr. Patrick Long. In addition, Rowlett holds a M.M. in Music Composition from Butler University where he studied under Michael Schelle and James Aikman. Rowlett has been commissioned by Dr. Gail B. Levinsky, the Akira Quartet, Joshua Heaney, the SUSQ Quartet, the Quakertown Community Band, and the Mifflinburg Area High School Symphonic Band. In addition to his studies under Dr. Long, Dr. Schelle, and Dr. Aikman, Rowlett has had the privilege to participate in masterclasses and lessons with composers such as Marilyn Shrude and Libby Larsen and attended the 2016 Snow Pond Composer's workshop with Dr. Ed Jacobs and Dr. Richard Nelson.

Rowlett has had compositions performed at multiple North American Saxophone Alliance conferences as well as the 40th Annual Navy Band Saxophone Symposium. Rowlett's compositions are eclectic in style, mixing various elements of some of his favorite music including jazz, classical, expressionist, avant-garde, serialist, and others. In addition to his compositional activities, Rowlett is also an active performer and teacher of the saxophone. When he is not composing or performing, Rowlett can be found hiding in the woods, meditating by bodies of water, or playing with his cat, Buttons.

# When the Orange Moon Crests the Blue Ridge

*A Scene From Winchester, Virginia*

Duration ca. 3'30"

## Instrumentation:

Piccolo  
2 Flute  
Oboe  
English Horn  
2 Bassoon  
Clarinet in E $\flat$   
3 Clarinet in B $\flat$   
Bass Clarinet  
Soprano Saxophone  
Alto Saxophone  
Tenor Saxophone  
Baritone Saxophone

2 Cornet  
2 Trumpet in B $\flat$   
2 Horn in F  
2 Trombone  
Bass Trombone  
Euphonium  
Tuba

Timpani

Percussion 1  
Xylophone  
Bells

Percussion 2  
Chimes  
Vibraphone

Percussion 3  
Suspended Cymbal  
Crash Cymbal

# When the Orange Moon Crests the Blue Ridge

*A Scene From Winchester, Virginia*

Coleman Rowlett  
(2017)

Andante ♩ = 92

10 Slower ♩ = 72

This is a transposed score for a symphony orchestra. The score is written for 24 instruments and includes dynamic markings, articulation, and performance instructions. The instruments listed are: Piccolo, Flute 1&2, Oboe, English Horn, Bassoon 1, Bassoon 2, Clarinet in E♭, Clarinet in B♭ 1, Clarinet in B♭ 2, Bass Clarinet, Soprano Sax, Alto Sax, Tenor Sax, Baritone Sax, Cornet 1, Cornet 2, Trumpet in B♭ 1, Trumpet in B♭ 2, Horn in F 1, Horn in F 2, Trombone, Bass Trombone, Euphonium, Tuba, Timpani, Percussion 1 (Xylophone, Xylo, Bells), Percussion 2 (Chimes, Vibraphone), and Percussion 3 (sus. cymbal, crash cymbal). The score begins with a tempo of Andante (♩ = 92) and includes a section marked '10 Slower' (♩ = 72). Dynamic markings range from *mp* to *ff*. Performance instructions include 'L.V.' (Larghetto Vivace) and 'Sus. Cymbal'.

18

This page of the musical score covers measures 12 through 18. The instrumentation includes Piccolo, Flute, Oboe, English Horn, Bassoons (1 and 2), Clarinets (E-flat, B-flat 1 and 2, B-flat, and Saxophone), Saxophones (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, and Baritone), Cor Anglais, Trumpets (B-flat 1 and 2), Horns (1 and 2), Trombones (Tuba, Euphonium), Timpani, and Percussion (1, 2, and 3). The Flute part features a prominent melodic line starting at measure 12 with a *p* dynamic, moving to *mf* by measure 14. The English Horn has a solo entry at measure 14 with a *mf* dynamic. The Cor Anglais also has a *mf* entry at measure 14. The Trumpets and Trombones play muted parts starting at measure 12 with a *p* dynamic. The Percussion parts include a Bells entry at measure 14 with a *mf* dynamic and a rhythmic accompaniment in Percussion 2.

# When the Orange Moon Crests the Blue Ridge

20

Picc.

Fl.

Ob. *Solo*  
*mf*

E. Hn.

Bsn. 1  
*mf*

Bsn. 2  
*mf*

E♭ Cl.

B♭ Cl. 1  
*mf*

B♭ Cl. 2  
*mf*

B. Cl.  
*mf*

S. Sx.

A. Sx.

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

Cnt. 1  
*n* — *ff*

Cnt. 2  
*n* — *ff*

B♭ Tpt. 1  
*n* — *ff*

B♭ Tpt. 2  
*n* — *ff*

Hn. 1  
*n* — *ff*

Hn. 2  
*n* — *ff*

Tbn.  
*n* — *ff*

B. Tbn.  
*n* — *ff*

Euph.  
*n* — *ff*

Tuba  
*n* — *ff*

Timp.  
*n* — *ff*

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Perc. 3  
*n* — *ff*

This is a page of a musical score for a symphony orchestra. The page is numbered '6' at the top left and '20' at the top left of the first staff. The title 'When the Orange Moon Crests the Blue Ridge' is centered at the top. The score is arranged in a standard orchestral layout with staves for woodwinds, brass, strings, and percussion. The woodwind section includes Piccolo, Flute, Oboe (with a 'Solo' marking), English Horn, Bassoon 1 and 2, E-flat Clarinet, B-flat Clarinet 1 and 2, and Bass Clarinet. The string section includes Soprano, Alto, Tenor, and Bass Saxophones. The brass section includes Cornets 1 and 2, B-flat Trumpets 1 and 2, Horns 1 and 2, Trombones, Baritone Trombone, Euphonium, and Tuba. The percussion section includes Timpani, Percussion 1, 2, and 3. The score features various musical notations such as notes, rests, slurs, and dynamic markings like 'mf' (mezzo-forte) and 'ff' (fortissimo). There are also 'n' markings above some notes, possibly indicating natural harmonics or specific articulation. The page contains 20 measures of music.

When the Orange Moon Crests the Blue Ridge

30

This page of the musical score covers measures 29 through 34. The score is arranged in a standard orchestral layout with multiple staves for woodwinds, brass, strings, and percussion. The key signature is one flat (B-flat major or D minor), and the time signature is 3/4. The score includes various dynamic markings such as *mf* (mezzo-forte), *mp* (mezzo-piano), and *f* (forte). Performance instructions like *n* (normal) and *mf* with a fermata are present. The percussion section includes parts for Timp., Perc. 1, Perc. 2 (with a Vibraphone part), and Perc. 3. The woodwind section includes Picc., Fl., Ob., E. Hn., Bsn. 1, Bsn. 2, E♭ Cl., B♭ Cl. 1, B♭ Cl. 2, B. Cl., S. Sax., A. Sax., T. Sax., and B. Sax. The brass section includes Cnt. 1, Cnt. 2, B♭ Tpt. 1, B♭ Tpt. 2, Hn. 1, Hn. 2, Tbn., B. Tbn., Euph., and Tuba. The string section is represented by S. Sax., A. Sax., T. Sax., and B. Sax. The score features complex rhythmic patterns, including triplets and sixteenth-note runs, and dynamic shifts throughout the measures.

# When the Orange Moon Crests the Blue Ridge

41 *accel.*

*a tempo*

Picc. *ff*

Fl. *ff*

Ob. *ff*

E. Hn. *ff*

Bsn. 1 *ff*

Bsn. 2 *ff*

E♭ Cl. *ff*

B♭ Cl. 1 *ff*

B♭ Cl. 2 *ff*

B. Cl. *ff*

S. Sx. *f*

A. Sx. *f*

T. Sx. *f*

B. Sx. *f*

Cnt. 1 *ff*

Cnt. 2 *ff*

B♭ Tpt. 1 *ff*

B♭ Tpt. 2 *ff*

Hn. 1 *f*

Hn. 2 *f*

Tbn. *f*

B. Tbn. *f*

Euph. *f*

Tuba *f*

Timp. *ff*

Perc. 1 *ff* Xylophone

Perc. 2

Perc. 3 *ff* Crash Cymbals

46

Più Mosso ♩ = 90

Picc.

Fl.

Ob.

E. Hn.

Bsn. 1

Bsn. 2

E♭ Cl.

B♭ Cl. 1

B♭ Cl. 2

B. Cl.

S. Sx.

A. Sx.

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

Cnt. 1

Cnt. 2

B♭ Tpt. 1

B♭ Tpt. 2

Hn. 1

Hn. 2

Tbn.

B. Tbn.

Euph.

Tuba

Timp.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Perc. 3

*subito p*

