



SchlagBläser

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About Jeff Hodapp, Tubist, Euphoniumist, and Bassist

Jeff Hodapp is a native of Mankato, Minnesota, where he received his early training in virtually all genres of music. From his teenage years onward, Jeff has been active on tuba and bass in the Classical as well as commercial music realms. A specialist in chamber music, he spent two years as an artist-in-residence in East Texas with Quantum Brass - a professional brass quintet of which he is a founding member. Other ensembles that Jeff has helped found include The Minnesota Valley Brass Quintet, Paragon (a rock 'n' roll band), and SchlagBläser (tuba & percussion duo). Jeff has also served as Principal Tubist in several orchestras, including the Mankato Symphony, Madison (WI) Symphony, Wisconsin Chamber Orchestra, Longview (TX) Symphony, Shreveport (LA) Symphony, Dubuque (IA) Symphony, and the Minnesota Orchestra.

Television news networks on which Jeff has appeared include Cable News Network (CNN), KLTW (East Texas NBC affiliate), Wisconsin Public Television, and KEYC-TV (Mankato, MN CBS affiliate). He has also recorded for/appeared live on the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation (CBC), Kansas, Minnesota, Wisconsin, and Texas Public Radio. Recently, Jeff performed with members of the St. Paul Chamber Orchestra in the premiere and subsequent compact disc recording of *Metamorphosis* for Men's Chorus and Orchestra.

As a soloist, Jeff has performed in recital or with various ensembles in Minnesota, Wisconsin, Michigan, South Dakota, North Dakota, Iowa, Indiana, Illinois, Texas, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Alaska, Virginia, Nevada, New Jersey, New York, Ohio, Mexico City, and Toronto, Canada. He continues to be in demand as a soloist/clinician with college/university, junior and senior high school bands as well as military, municipal and community bands.

Hodapp holds a Doctor of Musical Arts and a Master of Music degree in tuba performance from the University of Wisconsin-Madison and has earned two Baccalaureate Degrees in music (education and tuba performance) from Minnesota State University - Mankato. Currently, he is Associate Professor of Low Brass and Theory at Emporia State University (Emporia, KS).