

# Rage!

Mvt. 3 From The  
“Frankenstein Suite”

Based on the Classic Novel  
By Mary Shelley

Jim DePriest

# Frankenstein Suite

## Mvt. 3 - RAGE

*"I will have revenge for my injuries."  
said the creature.*

*"If I can not inspire love, then I will cause fear and pain toward you my archenemy, my creator."*

The “*Frankenstein Suite*” was written originally for marching band. Reimagined for concert band at a grade 2 to 2+ level, it consists of three separate movements: Obsession, The Creator and RAGE. It is based on the writing of the Mary Shelley gothic novel *Frankenstein*. Narrated from the perspective of an Arctic ship's captain relating a story told to him after finding a dying Victor Frankenstein, Shelley's personal life experiences influenced the ideas within *Frankenstein*: including themes of loss, guilt, and the consequences of defying nature.

**Movement 1 - Obsession** - Victor Frankenstein becomes obsessed with the idea of reanimation. Despite all ethical concerns he forges ahead to create a human in his own image using the corpses he digs up at night. The chimes at the beginning of the movement hint of the late hour when everything is taking place. The movement ends with Frankenstein working in his lab as he screams “ALIVE!”

**Movement 2 - The Creator** - Even though Victor Frankenstein is “The Creator”, this movement deals with the creature’s search for love and acceptance from Frankenstein. The movement starts with a beautiful theme, but as Frankenstein begins to understand what he has created, he looks down at the creature with horror and disgust as the music turns dark.

**Movement 3 - RAGE** - The creature unable to find love and acceptance, chooses fear and retribution as an alternative. The movement opens with a chaotic section of full winds and percussion but eventually the theme from movement 2 returns. The creature finds his creator, who has died on an Arctic ship while in search of his creation. The captain asks the creature, “Why do you weep for this man?” “He was my father” says the creature. The suite ends as it began, with a bell tolling the late hour as a warning against trying to play God.

**Jim DePriest** retired in 2023 after 40 years as a high school instrumental music instructor the last 31 years at Mt Pleasant High School in Mt Pleasant, Iowa. He received his BME from Iowa Wesleyan College and his Masters of Fine Arts from Southern Oregon State University as part of the American Band College. During his tenure, his marching bands, jazz bands and concert bands made many appearances including multiple appearances at the Iowa Jazz Championships, marching band competitions throughout the midwest as well as performances at four Bands Of America Competitions. For the past 23 years, he has written both original and arranged pieces for marching band, concert band, jazz band and showchoir. Jim has had the pleasure of working with his wife, Marlene, the former high school choir director at Mt Pleasant and was honored to arrange for the Mt. Pleasant show choir, INMOTION. Jim is now a full-time composer/arranger and has written for many bands and choirs in the Midwest. He and his wife Marlene have four children Colin, Kyle, Caitlyn and Callie who are all actively involved in teaching and the arts.

*In Honor of the 200th Anniversary of the Mary Shelley Novel “Frankenstein”*

# RAGE!

*from the “Frankenstein Suite”*

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*J = 130 With rash, unrestrained impulsiveness!*

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Piccolo  
Flute  
Oboe  
Clarinet in B $\flat$  1  
Clarinet in B $\flat$  2  
Bass Clarinet  
Bassoon  
Alto Saxophone 1  
Alto Saxophone 2  
Tenor Sax  
Baritone Saxophone  
Trumpet in B $\flat$  1  
Trumpet in B $\flat$  2  
Trumpet in B $\flat$  3  
Horn in F 1  
Horn in F 2  
Trombone 1  
Trombone 2  
Baritone (B.C.)  
Tuba  
Bass Guitar  
Electric Guitar  
Timpani  
Bells  
Xylophone  
Vibraphone  
Marimba  
Chimes  
Snare Drum  
Bass Drum  
Floor Tom  
Ride Cymbal  
Crash Cymbal  
Suspended Cymbal  
China Cymbal  
Bongo 1  
Bongo 2  
Triangle  
Brake Drum  
Organ (Synth.)  
Piano 1

## Frankenstein Mvt. 3 - RAGE, Pg. 4

6

9

ff

Picc.

Fl.

Ob.

Cl. in B $\flat$  1

Cl. in B $\flat$  2

B. Cl.

Bsn.

A. Sx. 1

A. Sax. 2

T. Sx.

Bar. Sax.

Tpt. in B $\flat$  1

Tpt. in B $\flat$  2

Tpt. in B $\flat$  3

Hn. in F 1

Hn. in F 2

Tbn. 1

Tbn. 2

Bar.

Tuba

Bass

E. Gtr.

Timp.

Bls.

Xyl.

Vib.

Mrb.

Chm.

S. Dr.

B. Dr.

FT

R. Cym.

Cr. Cym.

Sus. Cym.

Ch. Cym.

Bon. 1

Bon. 2

Tri.

Br. Dr.

Org.

Pno. 1

## Frankenstein Mvt. 3 - RAGE, Pg. 5

Music score for Frankenstein Mvt. 3 - RAGE, Pg. 5. The score consists of 21 staves of musical notation for various instruments, arranged in four systems. The instruments listed on the left are: Picc., Fl., Ob., Cl. in B♭ 1, Cl. in B♭ 2, B. Cl., Bsn., A. Sx. 1, A. Sax. 2, T. Sx., Bar. Sax., Tpt. in B♭ 1, Tpt. in B♭ 2, Tpt. in B♭ 3, Hn. in F 1, Hn. in F 2, Tbn. 1, Tbn. 2, Bar., Tuba, Bass, E.Gtr., Timp., Bls., Xyl., Vib., Mrb., Chm., S.Dr., B. Dr., FT, R. Cym., Cr. Cym., Bon. 1, Bon. 2, Br. Dr., Org., and Pno. 1.

The score begins with a dynamic of  $\text{ff}$ . The first system features woodwind entries (Flute, Oboe, Clarinets) followed by brass entries (Trumpets, Trombones). The second system introduces woodwind sustained notes. The third system includes a prominent bassoon line. The fourth system concludes with a dynamic of  $\text{ff}$ .

## Frankenstein Mvt. 3 - RAGE, Pg. 6

16                    17

This page of musical notation shows a dense arrangement of instruments typical of a full orchestra. The instrumentation includes woodwinds (Picc., Flute, Oboe, Clarinets in Bb, Bassoon, Bass Clarinet, Alto Saxophone 1, Alto Saxophone 2, Tenor Saxophone), brass (Trumpets in Bb, Trombones, Tuba, Bass), strings (Baritone Saxophone, Double Bass, Electric Guitar, Timpani, Bass Drum, Snare Drum, Floor Tom, Ride Cymbal, Crash Cymbal, Bon. 1, Bon. 2, Brushes), and keyboards (Organ, Piano). The notation uses standard musical symbols like quarter notes, eighth notes, and sixteenth notes, along with rests and dynamic markings. Measure 16 begins with a series of eighth-note chords across the ensemble. Measure 17 starts with a single eighth note from the Picc. followed by a sustained note from the Organ.

## Frankenstein Mvt. 3 - RAGE, Pg. 7

[21] (M.M.)

Pic.

Fl.

Ob.

Cl. in B $\flat$  1

Cl. in B $\flat$  2

B. Cl.

Bsn.

A. Sx. 1

A. Sax. 2

T. Sx.

Bar. Sax.

Tpt. in B $\flat$  1

Tpt. in B $\flat$  2

Tpt. in B $\flat$  3

Hn. in F 1  
(Opt. Lower)

Hn. in F 2

Tbn. 1

Tbn. 2

Bar.

Tuba

Bass

E. Gtr.

Timp.

Bls.

Xyl.

Vib.

Mrb.

Chm.

S.Dr.

B. Dr.

FT

R. Cym.

Cr. Cym.

Bon. 1  
Bon. 2

Br. Dr.

Org.

Pno. 1

26 Allegro  $\text{d} = \text{c. } 155$

Picc.

Fl.

Ob.

Cl. in B $\flat$  1

Cl. in B $\flat$  2

B. Cl.

Bsn

A. Sx. 1

A. Sax. 2

T. Sx.

Bar. Sax.

Tpt. in B $\flat$  1

Tpt. in B $\flat$  2

Tpt. in B $\flat$  3

Hn. in F 1

Hn. in F 2

Tbn. 1

Tbn. 2

Bar.

Tuba

Bass

E. Gtr.

Timp.

Bls.

Xyl.

Vib.

Mrb.

Chm.

S. Dr.

B. Dr.

FT

R. Cym.

Cr. Cym.

Ch. Cym.

Bon. 1  
Bon. 2

Br. Dr.

Org.

Pno. 1

*3f*

[34]

[40]

Pic.

Fl.

Ob.

Cl. in B $\flat$  1

Cl. in B $\flat$  2

B. Cl.

Bsn.

A. Sx. 1

A. Sax. 2

T. Sx.

Bar. Sax.

Tpt. in B $\flat$  1

Tpt. in B $\flat$  2

Tpt. in B $\flat$  3

Hn. in F 1

Hn. in F 2

Tbn. 1

Tbn. 2

Bar.

Tuba

Bass

E. Gtr.

Timp.

Bls.

Xyl.

Vib.

Mrb.

Chm.

S. Dr.

B. Dr.

FT

R. Cym.

Cr. Cym.

Ch. Cym.

Bon. 1  
Bon. 2

Br. Dr.

Org.

Pno. 1