

## ANTHONY SUSI

Anthony Susi has been teaching music in Connecticut schools at the middle, high school and collegiate level since 1985. He often serves as a guest conductor at honors band festivals for both middle and high school musicians throughout his native state as well as in Massachusetts and Rhode Island. Mr. Susi has presented numerous state conference workshops and contributed articles for publication in *CMEA*, *Bandworld*, *MEJ*, and *SBO* on music pedagogy. He has also been invited frequently to adjudicate both jazz and concert band festivals in Connecticut. His performing ensembles have been featured many times at CMEA and MENC Eastern Division Conferences and have earned Superior ratings and top honors at adjudication festivals throughout the Eastern states.

Mr. Susi's diverse experience as a band director and adjudicator has provided him a unique understanding of the aesthetic appeal and technical needs for compositions written at various age levels. This is evident by the number of commissions he receives each year from both middle and high school band and string orchestra directors since 1998. Some of his published works through Grand Mesa Music, Barnhouse Music & Print Music Source have been noted in *The Instrumentalist* magazine, *JW Pepper's Editors Choice* and the top 100 lists by *Bandworld* magazine and the CT Chapter of ASBDA.

Outside of music education, Mr. Susi has also composed and recorded seven CDs of original music in a variety of genres that have been featured on Best of CT compilation discs and the soap opera, As the World Turns. He is also an active solo artist on guitar, keyboard and vocals, performing regularly at several establishments around his home state.