

ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION  
OF  
**KLEINE BLASMUSIK**  
(also referred to herein as THE ENSEMBLE)

**Articles of Association** of the undersigned, citizens of the United States, desiring to form a Non-Profit Association under the Non-Profit Law of the state of Texas and the United States of America, do hereby certify:

ARTICLE 1 – NAME

The name of the association shall be KLEINE BLASMUSIK.

ARTICLE II – LOCATION

The place in this state where the principal office of the Association is to be located is the City of Richardson, Dallas County, state of Texas.

ARTICLE III - DESCRIPTION OF ENTITY

Kleine Blasmusik is a musical instrumental ensemble of select musicians. Kleine Blasmusik is from the German language and means small wind music. The basic instrumental makeup of the group will be clarinets, trumpets/flugelhorns, baritone/euphoniums/tenor horns, trombones, tuba, drums, and accordion. Variation of instrumentation can be adjusted through consent of the group at large.

ARTICLE IV – PURPOSE

a. Said organization is organized exclusively for charitable, religious, educational, and scientific purposes, including, for such purposes, the making of distributions to organizations that qualify as exempt organizations under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

b. No part of the net earnings of the organization shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to its members, trustees, officers, or other private persons, except that the organization shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth in the purpose clause hereof. No substantial part of the activities of the organization shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the organization shall not participate in, or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of any

candidate for public office. Notwithstanding any other provision of this document, the organization shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (a) by an organization exempt from federal income tax under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or (b) by an organization, contributions to which are deductible under section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

- c. Upon the dissolution of the organization, assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or shall be distributed to the federal government, or to a state or local government, for a public purpose. Any such assets not disposed of shall be disposed of by the Court of Common Pleas of the county in which the principal office of the organization is then located, exclusively for such purposes or to such organization or organizations, as said Court shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes.

#### ARTICLE V – ORGANIZATION

The ensemble shall be organized under the leadership of officers comprised of a president, vice-president/performance-coordinator, secretary/treasurer. Officers shall be elected by a majority vote of musician members present at any called business meeting and will serve in their individual capacity at the majority vote discretion of the membership at large at any called meeting. Any officer can call the ensemble together for a meeting. Also, any two non-officers can call together an ensemble meeting. A quorum of 2/3 of the roster member musicians must be present for any vote and/or decision to take place. Addendum I must be attached to these Articles describing the number of current musician members. This list is subject to updating at the discretion of the ensemble. Addendum II must be also attached to these Articles listing the current officers. Minutes of any and all called meetings shall be notated in the ensemble's Book of Minutes, maintained and kept by the secretary/treasurer.

#### ARTICLE VI – ADOPTION AND UPDATING OF BY-LAWS

Addendum III will be attached to these Articles certifying the adoption of these Articles by the ensemble, dated and signed by the president and secretary/treasurer. Addendum III shall be used to enter descriptions of future changes/updates of the ensemble's by-laws, signed and dated by the president and secretary/treasurer each time.

Initial Certification of Adoption completed on 11/5/03.

Article IV-PURPOSE was replaced on 1/10/04 by that now included in this document by directive of the Internal Revenue Service in order to comply with requirements set forth to qualify for Exempt Organization status. This Amendment was adopted by the Kleine Blasmusik and signed and dated below.

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President (Tom Fletcher)

date \_\_\_\_\_

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Secretary/Treasurer (Skip Parker)

date \_\_\_\_\_