

# THE LOST CITY

SETH GAMBA

For STRING ORCHESTRA

**Full Score**

**Instrumentation**

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1 Full Score  
8 Violin 1  
8 Violin 2  
5 Viola  
5 Violoncello  
5 Double Bass

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## About the Composer

**Seth Gamba** is currently the orchestra director at the Elkins Pointe Middle School in Fulton County, Georgia, and the electric violinist in the rock band The Expats. He is well-known as a composer and adjudicator, having given presentations at the state and national level on topics including teaching rhythm, double bass pedagogy, and teaching class guitar. Mr. Gamba's orchestra has been featured at state conferences, and his compositions have frequently been performed at the annual GMEA conference. He currently has two compositions on the GMEA approved list for level 3 orchestra.

His rhythm exercises are available on CD-ROM from LudwigMasters for classroom presentation: *Rhythmic Projections: Rhythm Exercises for Building Mastery* (#50099001).

Seth Gamba grew up in Cobb County, Georgia, where he began playing the bass in the 6th grade public school orchestra. He is a graduate of Walton High School, and earned his bachelor's degree from Indiana University, with a double major in Double Bass and Civics. He has a Master of Music Education degree from the University of Georgia.

## Program Notes

*The Lost City* will inspire your students to create a musical story about a lost city from long, long ago. *The Lost City* is very proud and grand, with sweeping landscapes and a strong sense of an older time. Imaginations will be engaged as the students perform a wonderful, musical story.

*The Lost City* explores E natural minor without accidentals, creating the feel of E Dorian Mode. Two-part writing allows all instruments to play melody and harmony. Some independent movement and harmony are present, creating depth and passing tones in the music. The flavor of *The Lost City* results from accents, slurs, hooked bows, and E minor, bringing this composition to life for your string orchestra.

