Mark Hayes Bio

Composer/Conductor

Born March 28, 1953, Ladysmith, Wisconsin

Mark Hayes is an award-winning concert pianist, composer, arranger and conductor of international renown. His personal catalog totals over 2,000 published works of all kinds. Mark received a Bachelor of Music degree summa cum laude in Piano Performance from Baylor University in 1975. He has served as a frequent guest conductor at Lincoln Center, the National Cathedral and Carnegie Hall, featuring works such as his *Te Deum, Magnificat, Gloria* and *International Carol Suites*. In October 2014 Hayes conducted his *Requiem* at St. Ignatius Basilica in Rome, Italy as part of an international music festival sponsored by the Vatican. Baylor University Center for Christian Music Studies honored Mark with the Award for Exemplary Leadership in Christian Music in 2010.

Mark’s passion is writing for the piano. He has over 115 keyboard books in print, ranging in style from gospel to classical to jazz to Broadway show tunes. Whether concertizing on the other side of the globe or composing at his home in Kansas City, Missouri, Mark is blessed to live out his mission "to create beautiful music for the world".