

## **Biographical Notes**

**Russell Nadel**, 28, graduated from the Peabody Conservatory of Music in Baltimore, Maryland, in 2006, having earned Master's and Bachelor's degrees in Music Composition and a Bachelor's degree in Music Education. While at Peabody, his primary instructors were Drs. Bruno Amato and Harlan Parker. Mr. Nadel has had original compositions commissioned from ARTSEDGE, the National Arts and Education Network and a program of the John F. Kennedy Performing Arts Center in Washington, DC; the Vancouver Chamber Choir (Vancouver, BC); the horn and harp duo apple orange pair (New Haven, CT); and the Woodbridge Flute Choir (Woodbridge, VA), among many fine groups and individuals. He has received numerous composition awards, including the 2010 Guild of Temple Musicians Young Composers Award, the Prix d'Été (twice), prizes from the Mu Phi Epsilon Foundation, and more. Most recently, Mr. Nadel won the 2011 Ruth Boshkoff Composition Prize sponsored by the Organization of American Kodály Educators (OAKE), which will result in a commissioned choral work to be premiered at the OAKE National Conference in Phoenix, AZ, in March 2012. Mr. Nadel's work *Shabbat Cycle* will soon be published by Transcontinental Music Publications. Mr. Nadel recently completed his fifth year teaching K-6 General and Choral Music at Mount Vernon Woods Elementary School in Alexandria, VA, in Fairfax County, Virginia, and is looking forward to beginning teaching as the Middle School Music Specialist at the Potomac School in McLean, VA, in September 2011. Please see his website for more information, upcoming events and sound and score excerpts: <http://www.russellnadel.com>.

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