

Dr. Z. Chesky Neceski - Bands



Dr. Z. Chesky Neceski is a distinguished independent composer and arranger, renowned for his ability to craft music across a diverse spectrum of styles and genres. Dr. Neceski did his Bachelor and Master of Music degrees from the University of Toronto, and his Art's Masters and Ph.D. from the University of Pennsylvania in composition, and His Bachelor of Education from York University. While at U of Penn, he studied under the mentorship of the esteemed world-famous composer George Crumb, who described Neceski's music as exhibiting "a high degree of imagination and is beautifully conceived...He is an artist with a unique personal voice." Neceski's music has been performed internationally, and recordings of his music can be found on the CD "The Prophets of Pella".

As an educator, Dr. Neceski taught while doing his studies at the University of Toronto in the Ethnomusicology department under Professor James Kippen, teaching Macedonian Folk Ensembles for 5 years, and undergraduate music theory at the University of Pennsylvania. In 2002, Dr. Neceski became a teacher for the York Region District School Board and was department head of music for many high schools in the board. His ensembles have consistently won gold and platinum ratings at OBA, Music Alive, Kiwanis, and at Nationals. He is an active clinician and adjudicator.

Currently, Neceski is engaged in several key projects that reflect his versatility and innovative spirit. He is working on a series of educational compositions aimed at enhancing music literacy among elementary students, integrating music technology to create interactive learning experiences. This initiative highlights his commitment to teaching and educational leadership and demonstrates his ability to adapt to contemporary trends in music production. Additionally, he is collaborating with various ensembles to develop orchestral works that push the boundaries of traditional forms, incorporating elements from different musical traditions and contemporary styles.