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A specialist in music for winds and percussion, Dr. Archer has been commissioned by organizations such as

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- The United States Air Force Band of Mid-America
- Kappa Kappa Psi & Tau Beta Sigma
- The University of St. Thomas
- The Florida Bandmasters Association
- The University of Nebraska-Lincoln
- The International Women's Brass Conference
- The Florida State University Summer Music Camps
- Consortiums of university and high school ensembles around the country

Her music has been performed throughout the United States, at events including

- The 59th Presidential Inauguration
- The Midwest International Band and Orchestra Clinic
- The World Association of Symphonic Bands and Ensembles (WASBE) International Convention
- Regional conventions of the College Band Directors National Association (CBDNA)
- National conventions of the National Flute Association
- State conventions of the Nebraska State Band Association, Oklahoma Music Educators Association, and the National Band Association-Wisconsin

Dr. Archer is a contributor for <u>Composers on Composing for Band, Volume 4</u>. In addition, her *for those taken too soon (Symphony no. 1)* is featured in an interview in the February 2004 issue of "The Instrumentalist," titled "Kimberly Archer Turned Sadness into a Five-Movement Memorial." She is a regular recipient of the ASCAPLUS award.

Dr. Archer's published music is available from Murphy Music Press and C. Alan Publications. Her *Symphony no. 3* (Troy 1152) is recorded on Albany Records. Her *Concerto for Piano and Wind Ensemble* (8984-MCD), *Symphony no. 2* (6669-MCD) and *for those taken too soon Symphony no. 1* (7643-MCD) are recorded by Mark Custom Recording.