

LOWELL SHAW
Biographical notes

Lowell Shaw was born in Joliet, Illinois and graduated from Lyons Township High School in La Grange, Illinois. He studied horn with Max Pottag of Northwestern University and earned his Bachelor of Music Degree in 1951. After service in the band at Sampson Air Force Base, he returned to Northwestern, while completing the Master of Music degree in 1956. That fall, he became the second horn and Pops arranger for the Buffalo Philharmonic, a post he held until 1994. In 1990, The International Horn Society honored him with the PUNTO AWARD. Over the past decades, The Fripperies of Lowell Shaw, as well as his many other arrangements and compositions horn ensembles have become a source of great joy for hornists worldwide. His works for horn have been recorded by a variety of ensembles, including hornists from the American Horn Quartet, to members of the Minnesota Orchestra, and Buffalo Philharmonic Orchestra. A definitive recording of the *Fripperies* Volume 1-8 was released in 2001.