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Television & Documentaries

Highway thru Hell <i>Discovery / Nat Geo / Great Pacific Television</i>	Series	Prod: Mark Miller, Neil Thomas Dir: Various
Wild Bear Rescue <i>Omni Film and Television / Animal Planet</i>	Series	Prod: David Gullason Dir: Brad Quenville
Heavy Rescue 401 <i>Discovery / Great Pacific Television</i>	Series	Prod: Mark Miller, Todd Serotiuk Dir: Various
High Arctic Haulers <i>CBC / Great Pacific</i>	Series	Prod: Mark Miller, Jeff Kinnon Dir: Various
Mud Mountain Haulers <i>Discovery / Great Pacific</i>	Series	Prod: Mark Miller, Neil Thomas Dir: Various
The Nature of Things: Dinosaur Cold Case <i>CBC / Omni</i>	Documentary	Prod: David Gullason Dir: Simon Schneider
Untold Stories from the ER <i>GRB / TLC</i>	Series	Prod: Bob Niemack Dir: Various
Airshow <i>Discovery / Great Pacific Television</i>	Series	Prod: Mark Miller, Neil Thomas Dir: Various
Game of Homes <i>Great Pacific Television, Corus</i>	Series	Prod: Mark Miller, Blair Reekie Dir: Various
Confessions: Animal Hoarding <i>GRB / Animal Planet</i>	Series	Prod: Dan Jackson Dir: Various
Save my Reno (Theme) <i>GRB / TLC</i>	Series	Prod: Blair Reekie, Michael Francis Dir: Various
Worst to First (Theme) <i>GRB / TLC</i>	Series	Prod: Blair Reekie, Michael Francis Dir: Various
Psycho Sisters <i>GRB / Biography / A&E</i>	Series	Prod: Michael Branton Dir: Various
Model Killers <i>GRB / Biography / A&E</i>	Series	Prod: Michael Branton Dir: Various
Sex Sent me to the ER <i>GRB / TLC</i>	Series	Prod: Michael Branton Dir: Various
Extreme Animal Obsessions <i>GRB</i>	Series	Prod: Michael Branton Dir: Various
Mortal Remains <i>Foxglove Films / Alliance Atlantis Television</i>	Documentary	Prod: Chris Gallagher Dir: Chris Gallagher
Super Snack Bros. <i>Food Network / Paperny Films</i>	Series	Prod: Liam Cripps Dir: David Shohet
Twisted Tales of My 9 to 5 <i>GRB / Discovery Investigation</i>	Series	Prod: Michael Branton Dir: Various
Central Booking <i>Little Studio Films/Tornado Pictures</i>	Pilot	Prod: Alexia Melocchi Dir: Alex Ranarivelo

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Divine <i>Mapleblood Productions</i>	Series	Prod: Jason Fischer Dir: Ivan Hayden
After <i>Frostbite Digital Media</i>	Series	Prod: Jason Fischer Dir: Ivan Hayden
Deadliest Warrior - Season 2 & 3 (co-composer) <i>Morningstar Entertainment/Spike/44 Blue</i>	Series	Prod: Tim Warren, Gary Tarpinian Dir: Various
Hostage Do or Die (co-composer) <i>Big Machine Design / History Channel</i>	Series	Prod: Jim Lindsay Dir: Steve Petersen
Zeke's Pad (additional music) <i>Bardel Entertainment/ YTV</i>	Animated Series	Prod: Michael O'Brien Dir: Various
Triggers (co-composer) <i>Morningstar Entertainment / Discovery</i>	Series	Prod: Gary Tarpinian Dir: Various
Secret Worlds (co-composer) <i>Morningstar Entertainment/History Channel</i>	Series	Prod: Gary Tarpinian Dir: F. Paul Benz, Dan Jackson
Medical Stories (co-composer) <i>Morningstar Entertainment / TLC</i>	Series	Prod: Gary Tarpinian, Bob Niemack Dir: Various
Ultimate Soldier Challenge (additional music) <i>Morningstar Entertainment / History Channel</i>	Series	Prod: Gary Tarpinian Dir: Various

Film & Television Movies

Highway to Heaven <i>Lifetime / A&E</i> 2021	Prod: Howard Braunstein, Christian Bruyere Dir: Stacey K. Black
Christmas is You <i>Lighthouse / GAC</i> 2021	Prod: Jonathan Shore, Bill Abbott Dir: Allan Harmon
A Christmas in Nashville <i>Lifetime</i> 2020	Prod: Howard Braunstein, Christian Bruyere Dir: Tibor Takacs
A Winter Princess <i>Hallmark / Sepia / Marvista</i> 2019	Prod: Kim Roberts, Heather Overton Dir: Allan Harmon
The Story of Us <i>Hallmark / Reel One</i> 2019	Prod: Harvey Kahn, Sunta Izzicupo Dir: Scott Smith
Cooking with Love <i>Hallmark / Reel One</i> 2018	Prod: Gilles LaPlante, Steven Stabler Dir: Jem Garrard
Rocky Mountain Christmas <i>Hallmark / Frontstreet</i> 2017	Prod: Harvey Kahn, Michael Larkin Dir: Tibor Takacs
Moonlight in Vermont <i>Hallmark / Frontstreet</i> 2017	Prod: Harvey Kahn, Beth Grossbard Dir: Mel Damski

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Love Struck Cafe
Hallmark / Frontstreet
2017

Prod: Kim Arnott, Ivan Hayden
Dir: Mike Robe

A Gift to Remember
Hallmark / Frontstreet
2017

Prod: Angela Mancuso, Gilles LaPlante
Dir: Kevin Fair

A Princess for Christmas
UpTV / eOne
2017

Prod: Ronnie Clemmer, Allan Harmon, Cynde Harmon
Dir: Allan Harmon

The Christmas Calendar
Marvista / Hallmark
2017

Prod: Allan Harmon, Cynde Harmon
Dir: Allan Harmon

All of my Heart
Hallmark / Frontstreet Pictures
2015

Prod: Harvey Kahn, Michael Ogiens
Dir: Peter DeLuise

Love in Paradise
Hallmark / eOne
2015

Prod: Luke Perry, Jonathan Schwartz, Ira Pincus, Robert Lee
Dir: Sean McNamara

Birthday Wish
Hallmark / eOne
2017

Prod: Harvey Kahn, Peter DeLuise
Dir: Peter DeLuise

Anything for Love
Hallmark / Frontstreet Pictures
Erika Christensen, Ali Liebert, Paul Greene
2016

Prod: Harvey Kahn, Steven Stabler, Ryan Murphy
Dir: Terry Ingram

A Snow Capped Christmas
Hallmark / Corus
2016

Prod: Timothy Johnson, Oliver De Caigny
Dir: Christie Will

My Christmas Dream
Hallmark / Frontstreet
2016

Prod: Tom Patricia, Harvey Kahn
Dir: James Head

Journey Back to Christmas
Hallmark / Frontstreet
Candice Cameron Bure, Tom Skerritt
2016

Prod: Patricia Clifford , Harvey Kahn
Dir: Mel Damski

Season's Greetings
UpTV / eOne
2016

Prod: Ronnie Clemmer, Don Knodel, Jonathan Schwartz
Dir: Allan Harmon

Cold Zone
Frostbite Pictures / MarVista
2016

Prod: Andy Levine, Ivan Hayden
Dir: John MacCarthy

He Loves You Not
Reel One / Lifetime
2017

Prod: Gilles LaPlante, Sebastian Battro
Dir: Scott Belyea

Welcome Home
eOne / Up Network
2015

Prod: Jonathan Schwartz, Ira Pincus, Robert Lee
Dir: James Head

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My One Christmas Wish <i>eOne / Up Network</i> 2015	Prod: Jonathan Schwartz, Ira Pincus, Robert Lee, Armand Leo Dir: James Head
The Christmas Consultant <i>Reel One Entertainment / Lifetime</i> <i>David Hasselhoff / Caroline Rhea</i> 2012	Prod: Stefan Wodoslawsky, Gilles LaPlante, Jacky Gardi, Draby Parker Dir: John Bradshaw
Transparency <i>Qube Film/Matt Kelly Productions</i> <i>Lou Diamond Phillips, Estella Warren</i> 2010	Prod: Navid Soofi, Nima Soofi, Matt Kelly, Jonathan Dubois Dir: Raul Sanchez Inglis
Meteor Assault <i>Frostbite Pictures / MarVista</i> 2015	Prod: Andy Levine, Ivan Hayden Dir: Jason Bourque
Deadly Sorority <i>Reel One / Lifetime</i> 2016	Prod: Gilles LaPlante, Sebastian Battro Dir: Shawn Tolleson
The Muderer Upstairs <i>Reel One / Lifetime</i> 2017	Prod: Gilles LaPlante, Sebastian Battro Dir: Jem Garrard
Way of the Wicked <i>Matt Kelly Productions / Qube Film</i> <i>Christian Slater / Peter Facinelli</i> 2013	Prod: Matt Kelly, Jonathan Dubois, Navid Soofi, Nima Soofi Dir: Kevin Carraway
Sorority Murder <i>Lifetime / Odyssey / Reel One Ent.</i> 2015	Prod: Stefan Wodoslawsky, Gilles LaPlante Dir: Jesse James Miller
Virtual Lies (Dangereuse Liaison) <i>Lifetime / Odyssey / Reel One Ent.</i> 2011	Prod: Kirk Shaw, Jeffery Schenck, Wendy McKernan Dir: George Erschbamer
Obsession (A Trusted Man) <i>Lifetime / Odyssey / Reel One Ent.</i> 2011	Prod: Kirk Shaw, Jeffery Schenck, Wendy McKernan Dir: George Erschbamer
Goblin <i>Cinetel / SyFy / Reel One Entertainment</i> 2010	Prod: Tom Berry, Lisa Hansen, John Prince Dir: Jeffery Scott Lando
Metal Shifters (aka Iron Golem) <i>Cinetel / Reel One Entertainment / Sci-Fi</i> 2010	Prod: Tom Berry, Lisa Hansen, John Prince, Tia Buhl Dir: Paul Ziller
Thirst <i>Insight Film and Television</i> 2008	Prod: Kirk Shaw, Lacey Chabert, Barry Levy, Jeffery Schenck Dir: Jeffery Scott Lando
Dancing with Shadows <i>Marque One Films/Telefilm Canada</i> 2010	Prod: Byron Lamarque, Marilee Lamarque Dir: Byron Lamarque

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Fatal Performance

Lifetime / Odyssey / Reel One Ent.
2011

Prod: Kirk Shaw, Jeffery Schenck, Wendy McKernan
Dir: George Erschbamer

Secret Liaison

Reel One Entertainment
2013

Prod: Stefan Wodoslawsky, Gilles LaPlante, Kirk Shaw
Dir: Andrew De Villiers

The Honor Student

Reel One Entertainment
2014

Prod: Stefan Wodoslawsky, Gilles LaPlante
Dir: Penelope Buitenhuis

Watch Your Back (aka "Killer Photo")

Reel One Entertainment
2014

Prod: Stefan Wodoslawsky, Gilles LaPlante
Dir: Jason Furukawa

Alien Incursion

Starmedia Home Entertainment / Sci-Fi
2006

Prod: Ed Brando, Sam Eigen, Morris Ruskin, Jason Metcalfe
Dir: Jeffery Scott Lando

Savage Island

Miridien Ent./ Shoreline Ent./ Epix Media
2003

Prod: Steven Man, Renee Giesse, Jeffery Scot Lando
Dir: Jeffery Scott Lando

Kingdom of the Vampire

Brett Kelly Ent./Tempe Entertainment
2007

Prod: J.R. Bookwalter, Anne-Marie Frigon, Brett Kelly
Dir: Brett Kelly

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Awards

Western Canadian Music Awards	Nomination: Classical Artist of the Year	2021
Leo Awards – Nomination	Best Score: Feature Documentary (The Nature of Things)	2021
Leo Awards – Winner	Best Score: Documentary Series (Highway thru Hell)	2020
Leo Awards – Winner	Best Score: Documentary Series (Wild Bear Rescue)	2019
Leo Awards – Nomination	Best Score: Documentary Series (Highway Thru Hell)	2019
Leo Awards – Nomination	Best Score: Documentary Series (Heavy Rescue: 401)	2018
Leo Awards – Nomination	Best Score: Documentary Series (Highway Thru Hell)	2016
SOCAN Awards – Winner	Award for Achievement: Television Movie	2018
SOCAN Awards – Winner	Award for Achievement: Television Movie (Killer Photo)	2016
SOCAN Awards – Winner	Award for Achievement: Television Movie (Honor Student)	2015
Leo Awards – Nomination	Best Score: Documentary Series (Highway Thru Hell)	2015
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Leo Awards – Nomination	Best Score: Motion Picture (Way of the Wicked)	2014
Leo Awards – Nomination	Best Music: Feature Length Drama (Virtual Lies)	2013
Leo Awards – Nomination	Best Music: Feature Length Drama (Transparency)	2011
Leo Awards – Nomination	Best Music: Feature Length Drama (Goblin)	2011
Leo Awards – Nomination	Best Music: Feature Length Drama (Thirst)	2009
Leo Awards – Nomination	Best Music: Feature Length Drama (Loaded Dice)	2005
Hollyweb Festival – Winner	Best Music Score (Divine: The Series)	2012
LAwebFest – Winner	Best Music Score (Divine: The Series)	2012
Marseille International Web Festival – Winner	Best Composer (Divine: The Series)	2012
JPF Music Awards , Nashville – Winner	Best Contemporary Classical Album (Horizons)	2009
JPF Music Awards , Nashville – Winner	Best Contemporary Classical Song (Horizons)	2009
JPF Music Awards , Nashville – Nom.	Best Classical Vocal Album (Rain)	2017
JPF Music Awards , Nashville – Nom.	Best Classical Vocal Album (Lullaby - Producer)	2017
Park City Film Music Festival – Winner	Gold Medal: Best Action Score (Man Without a Name)	2004
Golden Key International Honor Society – Winner	Best Original Music Composition (Lost in the Shadow of Darkness)	2002

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Reviews

Symphony No. 2 (AVIE RECORDS)

Northwest Sinfonia conducted by Clyde Mitchell

"Epic without being at all overdone... with thrilling orchestral textures... Riveting" ★★★★★

- BBC Music magazine

"...Symphony No. 2...tackles head-on this most historically resonant of genres. The result is a single movement of almost 55 minutes in duration, lacking little in ambition as it confronts the weightiest issues."

- Gramophone Magazine

"For Nickel, Mitchell and this Seattle-based orchestra this is quite a coup. This looming symphony emerges clothed in a concentration achieved from a germ of a persistent idea that is bleak yet consoling, troubling yet caressing."

- MusicWeb International

"...intensely focused....a rewarding experience, and although it is an intense experience, it can be an uplifting, energizing experience. A stretching experience, if you will."

- Classical Candor

Concertos for Oboe (Concertos for Oboe, Oboe d'amore, Bass Oboe) (AVIE RECORDS)

soloists Mary Lynch (principal oboe Seattle Symphony) and Harrison Linsey (National Symphony Orchestra)

"the athleticism of both Nickel's music and the performers is exhilarating ... The orchestral writing is strikingly beautiful"

- MusicWeb International

"These substantial, often engaging works are accorded full justice by the soloists for whom they were conceived. Mary Lynch performs feats of agility on her brace of instruments, then Harrison Linsey endows the bass oboe with soulfulness and gravitas."

- Gramophone Magazine

Music for Woodwind Choirs (Centrediscs)

Suite for 2 Oboes and 2 English Horns & Symphony for Flute Choir

"Nickel's music is full of life: imagination, invention, variation ... This is composition at its best – arresting and masterful."

- The Whole Note

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Concert Music Selected Credits

- **Atlanta Symphony Orchestra (2012)**
Following Yonder Star Robert Spano – Music Director
- **Atlanta Symphony Orchestra (2011)**
Christmas Morning Robert Spano – Music Director
- **Champagne-Urbana Symphony (Illinois) (2011)**
Christmas Morning Steven Larsen – Music Director
- **Lionsgate Sinfonia (2019)**
Symphony No. 2 (premiere) Clyde Mitchell – Music Director
- **Northeastern Pennsylvania Philharmonic Orchestra (2002)**
Fanfare and Theme for Freedom
(July 4th 2002 Concerts with Radio Broadcast on the United States East Coast) Clyde Mitchell – Music Director
- **Vancouver Symphony Orchestra (2000)**
Fanfare and Theme (2000 Summer Concert Series) Clyde Mitchell – Conductor
- **Grand Rapids Symphony (Michigan) (2000)**
Christmas Morning David Lockington – Music Director
- **Gulf Coast Symphony (Mississippi) (2014)**
Valor John Strickler – Conductor
- **North Bay Symphony Orchestra (2016)**
Christmas Dreams Thomas Jones – Music Director
- **Vancouver Philharmonic (2014)**
Concerto for Oboe (Roger Cole – soloist) Jin Zhang – Music Director
- **Flute Concerto “Reflections of Time” (2005)** – *for flute, piccolo, and alto flute*
commissioned by Sarah Jackson of the L.A. Philharmonic Clyde Mitchell – Music Director
- **Tranquility for English Horn and Orchestra (2008)**
composed for Beth Orson (VSO), premiered by the Sinfonia Orchestra of the North Shore Clyde Mitchell – Music Director
- **Festival Wind Orchestra (2010)**
Christmas Dreams Keith Reid – Music Director
- **North Shore Sinfonia**
Journey to a Distant Shore (2003)
Christmas Dreams (2004 & 2006)
All the World’s a Stage (2004)
...Of Stories Told by Twilight (2003)
Horizons (2005)
Celebration (2010, 2016)
Fanfare for Vancouver (performed as part of the Vancouver 2010 Olympic Games) Clyde Mitchell – Music Director
- **Carolina Philharmonic (2014)**
Following Yonder Star David Michael Wolff – Music Director
- **Sammamish Symphony (2013)**
Christmas Morning R. Joseph Scott – Music Director
- **Black Hills Symphony (2013)**
Christmas Morning Bruce Knowles – Conductor
- **Fraser Valley Symphony Orchestra**
Horizons (2005)
Pluto (2007) Lindsay Mellor – Music Director
- **Pacific Symphonic Wind Ensemble (2008)**
Christmas Dreams Marc Crompton – Music Director
- **Richmond Symphony Orchestra**
Christmas Dreams (2007 & 2010)
Horizons (2008 & 2010)
Nostalgia (2017) James Malmberg – Music Director
- **Kamloops Symphony Orchestra**
Christmas Morning (2015)
Of Stories Told by Twilight (2016) Bruce Dunn – Music Director
- **Delta Youth Orchestra**
Horizons (2008 & 2017)
Of Stories Told By Twilight (2009 Tour)
All The World’s A Stage (2009)
Christmas Dreams (2010) Stephen Robb – Music Director
- **Music for “Bard on the Beach” Shakespeare Festival**
“Symphony, Opera, Shakespeare” Concerts 2002 & 2003 Clyde Mitchell – Music Director

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- **College Light Opera Orchestra (Cape Cod, Massachusetts) (2008)**
Fanfare and Theme Dave Moschler – Conductor
- **West Coast Symphony Orchestra**
Pluto – God of the Underworld
Journey to a Distant Shore Clyde Mitchell – Conductor
Christopher Nickel – Conductor
Barbara Schubert – Music Director
- **DuPage Symphony Orchestra (2014)**
Christmas Dreams Chalton Ragsdale – Director
- **University of Arkansas Percussion Ensemble (2014)**
Firedance
- **Arkansas New Music Ensemble (2014)**
Firedance
- **Professional Flute Choir** (National Flute Association conference 2016)
Scarborough Fair for Flute Choir Clyde Mitchell – Conductor
- **Columbia Flute Choir (2017 Mid-Atlantic Flute Convention)**
Scarborough Fair for Flute Choir Sharyn Byer – Conductor
- **Les flûtistes de Montréal & Flute Street Flute Choir (2017)**
Scarborough Fair for Flute Choir
- **Vancouver Youth Symphony Orchestra**
Nostalgia – Suite (2017) Jin Zhang – Conductor
- **Birmingham Conservatoire Percussion Ensemble (2016)**
- *Firedance* Adrian Spillet - Director
- **Rio Bravo Percussion Ensemble (2016)** (Brownsville, TX)
- *Firedance*
- **CatchingART Contemporary Ballet & Lionsgate Sinfonia (2017)**
- *Elegy for the Earth* Astrid Sherman - Director
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- *Scarborough Fair* Astrid Sherman - Director
- **Williamson County Symphony of Texas (2017)**
- *Following Yonder Star* Dr. Tom Rainey - Director
- **Mercer University Flute Choir – Georgia (2018)**
- *Scarborough Fair for Flute Choir* Kelly Via - Director
- **Ad Mare Wind Quintet (2018) / Vancouver Pro Musica**
- *Toccata for Wind Quintet*

Ballet & Theatre

- **Nemo: 20,000 Leagues Under the Sea – the Musical** (2018)
- **CatchingART Contemporary Ballet & Lionsgate Sinfonia** (2017)
- *Elegy for the Earth* Astrid Sherman - Director
- **Bard on the Beach Shakespeare Festival** (2004)
All the World's a Stage Christopher Gaze – Artistic Director
- **Bard on the Beach Shakespeare Festival** (2003)
...Of Stories Told by Twilight Christopher Gaze – Artistic Director

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Albums

- **Symphony No. 2 (2021)** Label: **Avie Records**
Works: Symphony No. 2
Artists: Northwest Sinfonia, Clyde Mitchell (conductor)
- **Concertos for Oboe (2020)** Label: **Avie Records**
Works: Concerto for Oboe, Concerto for Oboe d'amore, Concerto for Bass Oboe
Artists: Mary Lynch (oboe & oboe d'amore), Harrison Linsey (bass oboe), David Sabee (conductor), Northwest Sinfonia
- **Music for Woodwind Choirs (2019)** Label: **Centrediscs**
Works: Suite for Two Oboes and Two English Horns, Symphony for Flute Choir
Artists: Roger Cole, Beth Orson, Karin Walsh, Erin Marks Sarah Jackson, Christie Reside, Rosann Wieringa, Laura Vanek, Paul Hung, Anne-Elise Keefer, Paolo Bortolussi, Clyde Mitchell (conductor)
- **Horizons (2006)** Label: Christopher Tyler Nickel Inc.
Works: Selections of more 'cinematic' pieces from earlier in my career.
Artists: Jack Chen (solo flute), City of Prague Philharmonic, Mario Klemens (conductor)
- **Rain (2009)** Label: Christopher Tyler Nickel Inc.
Works: crossover release of works from my early career, featuring soprano Catherine Redding.
Artists: City of Prague Philharmonic, Northwest Sinfonia, Catherine Redding (soprano), Beth Orson (solo English Horn), Christopher Nickel (conductor), Adam Klemens (conductor)
- **Catherine Redding "Lullaby" (producer)** Label: Catherine Redding
Works: various classical and folk repertoire for soprano.
All works arranged and album produced by Christopher Tyler Nickel

Publishers

- C.F. Peters
- the Canadian Music Centre
- C. Alan Publications
- Robert Wendel Music