

# THE *f* LUTIST

QUARTERLY



“IT’S BEEN A  
*wonderful*  
*ride*”

MARK  
THOMAS  
FOUNDER, NFA

“I CAME ALONG DURING THE GREAT DEPRESSION. ALL OF US IN THAT GENERATION HAVE WORKED HARD, BECAUSE WE FELT IT DEEPLY AND DON’T EVER WANT TO GO BACK. MY MOTHER USED TO GIVE PIANO LESSONS FOR 50 CENTS. THE FIRST FLUTE I EVER HAD WAS A PIECE OF JUNK THAT COST \$35. WHERE MY PARENTS GOT THAT MONEY, I’LL NEVER KNOW. I LEARNED HOW TO PLAY THAT FLUTE INCORRECTLY PRETTY WELL.”

