Young String Orchestra

Grade 2



# Variations upon the Sailor's Hornpipe

# Virginia Croft

### YAS70 INSTRUMENTATION

Full Sco	ore					 			1
Violin I									
Violin II									
Violin II	II (Vi	olo	T c	C	:.)				2
Viola									
Cello						 			5
Bass						 			5
Piano									1

#### **Program Notes**

Young string students love to move their bows, and this music offers a good chance for them to do so. Attack scale passages with vigor whenever they occur to produce a lively dance with many "teachable moments" as the primary tune is passed among the sections. Why not add actual dancers to this horn-pipe? What a great way to integrate the fine arts in your school and excite your audience!

#### **About the Composer**

Virginia Croft holds B.S. and M.Ed degrees in Music Education from The Pennsylvania State University, and has been long active in public school and church music, having conducted large and small instrumental and choral ensembles in Pennsylvania, Oregon, Vermont, and Ontario, Canada. For the past twenty-nine years she has been the director of a large, award-winning elementary band in Houston, Texas; but as a violinist, her real love is the orchestra. Professional memberships include the Music Educators National Conference, the Texas Music Educators Association, the Texas Bandmasters' Association and the Texas Orchestra Directors' Association

She is the recipient of letters of commendation from her United States Congressman, Mayors of Houston, and the Governor of Texas, and was thrice chosen "Teacher of the Year" by her fellow faculty members. She is listed in the fifth, sixth, seventh eighth, ninth, tenth, and eleventh editions of Who's Who Among America's Teachers, and has been named "Teacher of the Year" by her local Rotary Club. Additionally, she was honored by MiraMax Films with the "Music of the Heart" Award in recognition of her strong commitment and support of community music education, and is a 2005 recipient of the Goldin Award for Excellence in Education.

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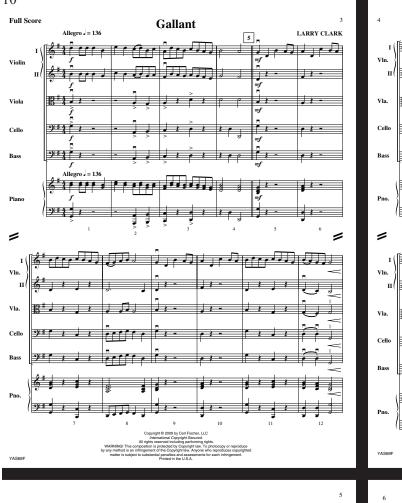
















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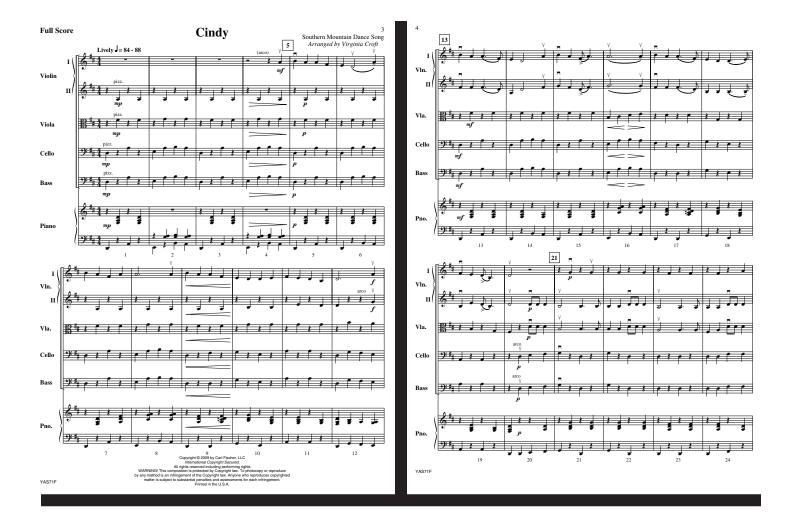












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