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# THE JOYS OF CHRISTMAS

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### Instrumentation

Full Conductor Score .....	1
Flute .....	10
Oboe (opt. 2nd Flute) .....	2
1st B $\flat$ Clarinet .....	6
2nd B $\flat$ Clarinet .....	6
B $\flat$ Bass Clarinet .....	2
Bassoon .....	2
E $\flat$ Alto Saxophone .....	8
B $\flat$ Tenor Saxophone .....	2
E $\flat$ Baritone Saxophone .....	2
1st B $\flat$ Trumpet .....	5
2nd B $\flat$ Trumpet .....	5
F Horn .....	4
Trombone .....	6
Baritone B.C. ....	2
Baritone T.C. ....	2
Tuba .....	4
Bells.....	2
Vibraphone .....	1
Chimes .....	1
Timpani .....	1
Percussion 1: Snare Drum, Bass Drum .....	3
Percussion 2: Suspended Cymbal, Crash Cymbals .....	2
Percussion 3: Sleigh Bells, Triangle .....	2
Piano/Keyboard (optional).....	1

### Program Notes

A festive and fresh holiday concert opener that features the carol "Good King Wenceslas" as the basis of the work, crafted in a powerful and effective setting. A very creative and lyrical interlude of "Jingle Bells" serves as a beautiful musical moment before the piece ends as it began, powerfully festive. Sit back and experience **The Joys Of Christmas**.

### Rehearsal Suggestions

In the opening measures, strive for a balance between the upper woodwinds, bells, and vibraphone. If vibes are not available, two sets of bells can be used. In the contrasting section at m. 17, the tubas can play bass clarinet cues if needed. The section at m. 35 should be expressive, and very legato. The included dynamics will enhance this section.

I hope that you and your ensemble enjoy rehearsing and performing **The Joys Of Christmas**.

Please contact me on my composer page at [www.barnhouse.com](http://www.barnhouse.com) with any comments or questions. Thanks, and best wishes!

Rob Romeyn

### About the Composer



Rob Romeyn's (b. 1961) music career has been multi-faceted and diverse. He has served as a performer, conductor, educator and as a composer and arranger. As a band director, he has directed bands from the elementary level to adult community groups. His first composition for band was published at age 19. His ability to write effective and educationally sound music for bands of all levels can be attributed to his vast teaching experiences.

Many elementary, middle school, high school, university, and community bands worldwide have performed his arrangements and compositions. He has been commissioned to write for marching band, concert band and jazz ensemble. His concert band music is on many state required music lists. Many of his arrangements have been featured on national television, including portions of the Peach Bowl halftime shows for 2000-2001, and the 2008 Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade. His "After the Battle" was performed at the 2007 Midwest Band and Orchestra Clinic. Mr. Romeyn is a member of the American Society of Composers Authors and Publishers. Much of his music has been recorded, and is available on CD and download through Walking Frog Records and other music outlets.

Mr. Romeyn received a M.M. Ed. Degree from the University of Louisiana at Monroe. He served as staff arranger for the University of Louisiana at Monroe "Sound of Today" band from 1983-1986. His graduate assistant duties at ULM in addition to arranging included conducting the university concert band and the basketball pep band. Mr. Romeyn also served as staff arranger at James Madison University. He was the director of the St. Petersburg Community Band in St. Petersburg, Florida from 1994-2013.

# THE JOYS OF CHRISTMAS

Festive! (♩ = 126)

The score is for a festive piece in 4/4 time with a tempo of 126 beats per minute. It features a variety of instruments:

- Flute:** Melodic line starting with a forte (*f*) dynamic.
- Oboe (opt. 2nd Flute):** Harmonic accompaniment, also starting with *f*.
- 1st B♭ Clarinet:** Melodic line with *f* dynamic.
- 2nd B♭ Clarinet:** Harmonic accompaniment with *f* dynamic.
- B♭ Bass Clarinet:** Rests until measure 3, then plays a low note with *f* dynamic.
- Bassoon:** Rests until measure 3, then plays a low note with *f* dynamic.
- E♭ Alto Saxophone:** Rests until measure 3, then plays a note with *f* dynamic.
- B♭ Tenor Saxophone:** Rests until measure 3, then plays a note with *f* dynamic.
- E♭ Baritone Saxophone:** Rests until measure 3, then plays a note with *f* dynamic.
- 1st & 2nd B♭ Trumpet:** Rests until measure 3, then plays a note with *f* dynamic.
- F Horn:** Rests until measure 3, then plays a note with *f* dynamic.
- Trombone:** Rests until measure 3, then plays a note with *f* dynamic.
- Baritone:** Rests until measure 3, then plays a note with *f* dynamic.
- Tuba:** Rests until measure 3, then plays a note with *f* dynamic.
- Bells:** Melodic line with *f* dynamic.
- Vibraphone:** Melodic line with *f* dynamic.
- Chimes:** Melodic line with *f* dynamic.
- Timpani (B♭, F):** Rhythmic accompaniment with *f* dynamic.
- Percussion 1:** Snare Drum and Bass Drum with *f* dynamic.
- Percussion 2:** Suspended Cymbal (Sus. Cym.) and Crash Cymbals (Cr. Cyms.) with *p* and *f* dynamics.
- Percussion 3:** Sleigh Bells and Triangle with *f* dynamic.
- Piano/Keyboard (opt.):** Harmonic accompaniment with *f* dynamic.

The score is marked with a large watermark: "Reference only. Not valid for performance." The piece is divided into five measures, numbered 1 through 5 at the bottom.





17 25

Fl. *mp* *mp*

Ob. *mp* *mp*

1st Cl. *mp*

2nd Cl. *mp*

Bass Cl. *mp*

Bsn. *mp*

Alto Sax. *div.* *a2* *mp*

Ten. Sax. *mp*

Bari. Sax. *mp*

17 25

1st & 2nd Trpt. *a2* *div.* *mp*

Hn. *mp*

Trom. *mp*

Bar. *mp*

Tuba *Cuc: Bass Cl.* *mp* *Play* *mp*

Bells Vibes *Bells* *mp*

Chimes *mp*

Timp. *mp*

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Perc. 3 *Triangle* *p*

Pno./ Kybd. *mp* *mp*



35 Expressive, legato (♩ = 72)

*rit.*

Fl. *f* *mp*

Ob. *f* *mp*

1st Cl. *f* *mp*

2nd Cl. *f* *mp*

Bass Cl. *f* *mp*

Bsn. *f* *mp*

Alto Sax. *f* *mp* *div.* *a2*

Ten. Sax. *f* *mp*

Bari. Sax. *f* *mp* *mp*

35 Expressive, legato (♩ = 72)

1st & 2nd Trpt. *f*

Hn. *f* *mp*

Trom. *f* *mp*

Bar. *f* *mp* *Play*

Tuba *f* *mp* *mp* *Cue: Bass Cl.*

Bells  
Vibes

Chimes *f* *p*

Timp. *f* *p*

Perc. 1 *f* *p*

Perc. 2

Perc. 3 *p* *Tri.*

Pno./  
Kybd. *f* *mp* *mp*



A musical score for a concert band, spanning measures 48 to 53. The score is written for various instruments, including woodwinds, brass, and percussion. The key signature is B-flat major (two flats). The score includes dynamic markings such as *f* (fortissimo), *mp* (mezzo-piano), and *p* (piano). There are also performance instructions like *div.* (divisi) and *a2* (second ending). The percussion parts include a suspended cymbal (Sus. Cym.) and three different percussion instruments (Perc. 1, 2, 3). The piano/keyboard part is also present. The score is marked with a large watermark: "For Reference Only. Not for Performance." The page number is - 10 -.

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Fl. *mp* *ff* *rit.* *ff*

Ob. *mp* *ff* *ff*

1st Cl. *mp* *ff* *ff*

2nd Cl. *mp* *ff* *ff*

Bass Cl. *mp* *ff* *ff*

Bsn. *mp* *ff* *ff*

Alto Sax. *mp* *ff* *ff*

Ten. Sax. *mp* *ff* *ff*

Bari. Sax. *mp* *ff* *ff*

1st & 2nd Trpt. *mp* *ff* *rit.* *ff*

Hn. *mp* *ff* *ff*

Trom. *mp* *ff* *ff*

Bar. *mp* *ff* *ff*

Tuba *mp* *ff* *ff*

Bells *mp* *ff* *ff*

Vibes *mp* *ff* *ff*

Chimes *mp* *ff* *ff*

Timp. *mf* *ff* *ff*

Perc. 1 *mp* *ff* *ff*

Perc. 2 *mf* *ff* *fp* *f* *choke* *ff*

Perc. 3 *mp* *ff*

Pno./Kybd. *mp* *ff* *ff*