



Sea Shanty Saga

(A Miniature Suite for Concert Band)

TYLER ARCARI

Instrumentation

Full Score	1
Flute 1	4
Flute 2	4
Oboe	2
B♭ Clarinet 1	4
B♭ Clarinet 2	4
B♭ Clarinet 3	4
Bass Clarinet	2
Bassoon	2
Alto Saxophone 1	2
Alto Saxophone 2	2
Tenor Saxophone	2
Baritone Saxophone	2
B♭ Trumpet 1	4
B♭ Trumpet 2	4
B♭ Trumpet 3	4
Horn in F 1	2
Horn in F 2	2
Trombone 1	3
Trombone 2	3
Euphonium	3
Baritone T.C.	2
Tuba	4
Timpani (F: A♭: B♭: C)	2
Mallets	2
Bells	
Percussion 1	2
Snare Drum, Bass Drum	
Percussion 2	6
Crash Cymbals, Suspended Cymbal, Triangle, Tambourine, Wood Block, Wind Chimes	



ABOUT THE COMPOSER



Tyler Arcari (b. 1989) is a composer, arranger, author, and clinician whose music is played around the world. He received his B.A. and M.S. degrees in music education from Troy University where he studied with composer Ralph Ford and Euphonium under Dr. Mark J. Walker. As a teacher, Tyler has taught at both the middle and high school levels. Tyler's primary focus when writing has been for the young musician. He became passionate about and interested in the needs of developing musicians as a classroom teacher, and finds writing for musicians at this level to be very rewarding.

Tyler's music can currently be found published through Excelcia Music Publishing, Wingert-Jones Publications and Carl Fischer Music. His original works have been featured on Bandworld Magazine's Top 100, All-State programs, as well as numerous state contest lists and events such as the Midwest Clinic in Chicago. As an arranger, Tyler has worked with many high school, university, and community groups as well as for professionals such as Carl Hilding "Doc" Severinsen and vocalist Holly Shelton. As a Clinician, Tyler regularly appears as composer in residence as well as guest clinician for honor bands.

Currently, Tyler serves as the Director of Music Production and Editing at Excelcia Music Publishing LLC, Wingert-jones Publications, and RBC Publications. In his spare time, Tyler enjoys playing fantasy-world video games and building his own computers. He is an avid animal lover and lives in Lakeland with his wife Heather, their two rabbits named Maximus and Marshmallow, their peach cat named Otis, and dog named Hilda.

SEA SHANTY SAGA (A MINIATURE SUITE FOR CONCERT BAND)

Sea Shanty Saga is a short, three movement suite composed using melodic material from 17th Century Sea Shanties. My Sea Shanty writing saga (pun intended) began back in 2020 with the TikTok craze. I am still, to this day, shocked that something like Sea Shanties captivated the younger generation and spawned some truly wonderful adaptations and arrangements. While I was inspired by the TikTok phenomenon, I wanted to write a work that would stand on its own – well beyond an internet fad (hopefully!)

Movement I: *Billy Boy* – this is the only material that shares similarities with a small flex ensemble work I did in 2020 with the same name. I think, as far as folk tunes go, that this melody has the potential to stand the test of time, and so it was a no-brainer when I was picking what would go into this suite. There are many opportunities for expression within this short movement as well as some exposed solos in the Trumpet & Clarinet – mimicking a call given from the song leader to those working on the ship, as well as soli opportunities in the low brass and woodwind sections.

Movement II: *Farewell and Adieu* – I searched for days for a ballad that I thought would work for this work, and kept coming up short. So many great works use *Shenandoah* already, I had to find something different. I was perusing YouTube late one night for inspiration (as one does) and came across a clip from the movie "*Jaws*" where the skipper delivers a creepy stare and a minor-ish little shanty. I instantly got the idea to slow it down and turn it in to a ballad. Once I looked up the original source material "*Spanish Ladies*", I set to work. Feel free to push and pull the tempi in this middle section as there are many opportunities for expressive playing.

Movement III: *A Halyard Fantasy* – This movement mixes two up-tempo shanties "*Up She Rises*" and "*Bullgine Run*". There are different types of shanty aboard a vessel at sea, some for work, some for play, some for pining about those left back home. I thought that these two works would bring the entire saga together by mixing a little work and play. There is a good deal of tutti within this movement, so be sure to isolate and bring out moments where the ensemble thins out.

I had a wonderful time writing this work, I hope that diving in to older music with a little modern twist serves you well!

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Dedicated to Dr. Larry Blocher

TYLER ARCARI
(ASCAP)

I. Billy Boy

D. = 108 - 112

Flute 1, 2

Oboe

B♭ Clarinet 1

B♭ Clarinet 2, 3

Bass Clarinet

Bassoon

Alto Saxophone 1, 2

Tenor Saxophone

Baritone Saxophone

B♭ Trumpet 1

B♭ Trumpet 2, 3

Horn in F 1, 2

Trombone 1, 2

Euphonium

Tuba

Timpani
(F: A♭; B♭; E)

Mallets
(Bells)

Percussion 1
(Snare Drum,
Bass Drum)

Percussion 2
(Crash Cymbals,
Suspended Cymbal,
Triangle,
Tambourine,
Wood Block, Wind Chimes)

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Fl. 1,2

Ob.

B♭ Cl. 1

B♭ Cl. 2, 3

B. Cl.

Bsn.

A. Sax. 1, 2

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

B♭ Tpt. 1

B♭ Tpt. 2, 3

Hn. 1, 2

Tbn. 1, 2

Euph.

Tuba

Timp.

Mal.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

34

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A musical score for a symphonic band or orchestra. The score consists of 18 staves, each representing a different instrument or section. The instruments listed on the left are: Fl. 1,2; Ob.; B♭ Cl. 1; B♭ Cl. 2, 3; B. Cl.; Bsn.; A. Sax. 1, 2; T. Sax.; B. Sax.; B♭ Tpt. 1; B♭ Tpt. 2, 3; Hn. 1, 2; Tbn. 1, 2; Euph.; Tuba; Timp.; Mal.; Perc. 1; and Perc. 2. The score is divided into measures 54 through 59. Measures 54 and 55 show most instruments playing eighth-note patterns. Measure 56 features a dynamic shift with 'ff' markings. Measure 57 introduces a 'Solo' part for the Bassoon (Bsn.). Measures 58 and 59 conclude with powerful 'ff' dynamics across the ensemble.

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62

Fl. 1,2
Ob.
B♭ Cl. 1
B♭ Cl. 2,3
B. Cl.
Bsn.
A. Sax. 1,2
T. Sax.
B. Sax.
B♭ Tpt. 1
B♭ Tpt. 2,3
Hn. 1,2
Tbn. 1,2
Euph.
Tuba
Timp.
Mal.
Perc. 1
Perc. 2

62

Tutti

Cr. Cym.

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13

Fl. 1,2

Ob.

B♭ Cl. 1

B♭ Cl. 2, 3

B. Cl.

Bsn.

A. Sax. 1, 2

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

B♭ Tpt. 1

B♭ Tpt. 2, 3

Hn. 1, 2

Tbn. 1, 2

Euph.

Tuba

Timp.

Mal.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

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73

Fl. 1,2
Ob.
B. Cl. 1
B. Cl. 2, 3
B. Cl.
Bsn.
A. Sax. 1, 2
T. Sax.
B. Sax.
B. Tpt. 1
B. Tpt. 2, 3
Hn. 1, 2
Tbn. 1, 2
Euph.
Tuba
Timp.
Mal.
Perc. 1
Perc. 2

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II.

Farewell and Adieu

II.

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Fl. 1,2

Ob.

B♭ Cl. 1

B♭ Cl. 2, 3

B. Cl.

Bsn.

A. Sax. 1, 2

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

B♭ Tpt. 1

B♭ Tpt. 2, 3

Hn. 1, 2

Tbn. 1, 2

Euph.

Tuba

Timp.

Mal.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Solo St. Mute

mp

p

Triangle

Wind Chimes

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17

14

Fl. 1,2

Ob.

B♭ Cl. 1

Tutti
f

B♭ Cl. 2, 3

Tutti
f

B. Cl.

Bsn.

mp — mf

A. Sax. 1, 2

Tutti
f

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

mp — mf

B♭ Tpt. 1

B♭ Tpt. 2, 3

Hn. 1, 2

Tbn. 1, 2

mp — mf

Euph.

Tuba

mp — mf

Timp.

Mal.

Perc. 1

Sus. Cym.

Perc. 2

mp — mf

Solo

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Fl. 1,2

Ob.

B♭ Cl. 1

B♭ Cl. 2, 3

B. Cl.

Bsn.

A. Sax. 1, 2

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

B♭ Tpt. 1

B♭ Tpt. 2, 3

Hn. 1, 2

Tbn. 1, 2

Euph.

Tuba

Timp.

Mal.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

mp

mf

Tutti

mp — mf

Wind Chimes

p — *mp*

p —

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Tutti rit. **28** *a tempo*

28 *a tempo*

Tutti rit. **28** *a tempo*

Fl. 1,2
Ob.
B♭ Cl. 1
B♭ Cl. 2, 3
B. Cl.
Bsn.
A. Sax. 1, 2
T. Sax.
B. Sax.
B♭ Tpt. 1
B♭ Tpt. 2, 3
Hn. 1, 2
Tbn. 1, 2
Euph.
Tuba
Timp.
Mal.
Perc. 1
Perc. 2

Cr. Cym.

25 26 27 28 29 30

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Fl. 1,2

Ob.

B♭ Cl. 1

B♭ Cl. 2, 3

B. Cl.

Bsn.

A. Sax. 1, 2

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

B♭ Tpt. 1

B♭ Tpt. 2, 3

Hn. 1, 2

Tbn. 1, 2

Euph.

Tuba

Timp.

Mal.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

34

Low Tom-tom *f*

Cr. Cym. *ff*

31 32 33 34 35 36

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The musical score consists of 18 staves, each representing a different instrument or section. The instruments listed from top to bottom are: Fl. 1,2; Ob.; Bb Cl. 1; Bb Cl. 2, 3; B. Cl.; Bsn.; A. Sax. 1, 2; T. Sax.; B. Sax.; Bb Tpt. 1; Bb Tpt. 2, 3; Hn. 1, 2; Tbn. 1, 2; Euph.; Tuba; Timp.; Mal.; Perc. 1; and Perc. 2. The score is divided into measures numbered 37 through 42. Measures 37-38 show mostly rests. Measures 39-40 feature rhythmic patterns on Flute 1,2, Ob., Bb Cl. 1, Bb Cl. 2, 3, B. Cl., Bsn., A. Sax. 1, 2, T. Sax., B. Sax., Bb Tpt. 1, Bb Tpt. 2, 3, Hn. 1, 2, Tbn. 1, 2, Euph., Tuba, and Timp. Measure 41 includes a dynamic instruction f . Measures 42 show sustained notes on Flute 1,2, Ob., Bb Cl. 1, Bb Cl. 2, 3, B. Cl., Bsn., A. Sax. 1, 2, T. Sax., B. Sax., Bb Tpt. 1, Bb Tpt. 2, 3, Hn. 1, 2, Tbn. 1, 2, Euph., Tuba, and Timp.

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rit.
Fl. 1,2
Ob.
B♭ Cl. 1
B♭ Cl. 2, 3
B. Cl.
Bsn.
A. Sax. 1, 2
T. Sax.
B. Sax.
B♭ Tpt. 1
B♭ Tpt. 2, 3
Hn. 1, 2
Tbn. 1, 2
Euph.
Tuba
Timp.
Mal.
Perc. 1
Perc. 2

46 Solo (opt. Soli)
fff dim. *mp* Solo (opt. Soli)
fff dim. *mp*
fff dim. *fff* dim.
fff dim. *fff* dim.

Cue: Oboe
Solo (opt. Soli)
St. Mute

Fl. 1,2

Ob.

B♭ Cl. 1

B♭ Cl. 2, 3

B. Cl.

Bsn.

A. Sax. 1, 2

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

B♭ Tpt. 1

B♭ Tpt. 2, 3

Hn. 1, 2

Tbn. 1, 2

Euph.

Tuba

Timp.

Mal.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Solo (opt. Soli)

mp

Solo (opt. Soli)

mp

Tutti

mp

Wind Chimes

mp

Light and Bouncy ♩ = 108 A Halyard Fantasy

Solo

Flute 1, 2

Oboe

B♭ Clarinet 1

B♭ Clarinet 2, 3

Bass Clarinet

Bassoon

Alto Saxophone 1, 2

Tenor Saxophone

Baritone Saxophone

B♭ Trumpet 1

B♭ Trumpet 2, 3

Horn in F 1, 2

Trombone 1, 2

Euphonium

Tuba

**Timpani
(F: A; B: E)**

**Mallets
(Bells)**

**Percussion 1
(Snare Drum, Bass Drum)**

**Percussion 2
(Crash Cymbals, Suspended Cymbal, Triangle, Tambourine, Wood Block, Wind Chimes)**

2

4

mp

Tutti

Div.

mp

mp

mp

mp

Light and Bouncy $\text{♩} = 108$

mp

Sus. Cym.

mp

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Fl. 1,2
Ob.
B♭ Cl. 1
B♭ Cl. 2, 3
B. Cl.
Bsn.
A. Sax. 1, 2
T. Sax.
B. Sax.

21

B♭ Tpt. 1
B♭ Tpt. 2, 3
Hn. 1, 2
Tbn. 1, 2
Euph.
Tuba
Timp.
Mal.
Perc. 1
Perc. 2

Tutti

mf

f
Open
f

mf

f

mf

f

mf

f

mf

f

(norm.)

mf

sfp
p
f

Sus. Cym.
Tamb.

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Fl. 1,2

Ob.

B♭ Cl. 1

B♭ Cl. 2, 3

B. Cl.

Bsn.

A. Sax. 1, 2

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

B♭ Tpt. 1

B♭ Tpt. 2, 3

Hn. 1, 2

Tbn. 1, 2

Euph.

Tuba

Timp.

Mal.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

33 34 35 36 37 38

Fl. 1,2

Ob.

B♭ Cl. 1

B♭ Cl. 2, 3

B. Cl.

Bsn.

A. Sax. 1, 2

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

B♭ Tpt. 1

B♭ Tpt. 2, 3

Hn. 1, 2

Tbn. 1, 2

Euph.

Tuba

Timp.

Mal.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

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45

Fl. 1,2
Ob.
B♭ Cl. 1
B♭ Cl. 2, 3
B. Cl.
Bsn.
A. Sax. 1, 2
T. Sax.
B. Sax.
B♭ Tpt. 1
B♭ Tpt. 2, 3
Hn. 1, 2
Tbn. 1, 2
Euph.
Tuba
Timp.
Mal.
Perc. 1
Perc. 2

45

ff
ff
ff
ff
sfz
sim.
sim.
ff
ff
sfz
sim.
ff
ff
ff
ff
Cr. Cym.
ff

45 46 47 48 49 50

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Musical score for Sea Shanty Saga, page 32, featuring parts for various instruments:

- Fl. 1,2
- Ob.
- B. Cl. 1
- B. Cl. 2, 3
- B. Cl.
- Bsn.
- A. Sax. 1, 2
- T. Sax.
- B. Sax.
- B♭ Tpt. 1
- B♭ Tpt. 2, 3
- Hn. 1, 2
- Tbn. 1, 2
- Euph.
- Tuba
- Timp.
- Mal.
- Perc. 1
China Cymbal
- Perc. 2

The score consists of five systems of music, each containing five measures. Measure 51 shows the Flutes, Oboe, Bassoon, Clarinets, Bass Clarinet, Alto Saxophone, Tenor Saxophone, Baritone Saxophone, Bass Trombones, Trombones, Horns, Tuba, Euphonium, Timpani, Marimba, and Percussion 1 parts. Measure 52 shows the same instruments. Measure 53 shows the Flutes, Oboe, Bassoon, Clarinets, Bass Clarinet, Alto Saxophone, Tenor Saxophone, Baritone Saxophone, Bass Trombones, Trombones, Horns, Tuba, Euphonium, Timpani, Marimba, and Percussion 1 parts. Measure 54 shows the Flutes, Oboe, Bassoon, Clarinets, Bass Clarinet, Alto Saxophone, Tenor Saxophone, Baritone Saxophone, Bass Trombones, Trombones, Horns, Tuba, Euphonium, Timpani, Marimba, and Percussion 1 parts. Measure 55 shows the Flutes, Oboe, Bassoon, Clarinets, Bass Clarinet, Alto Saxophone, Tenor Saxophone, Baritone Saxophone, Bass Trombones, Trombones, Horns, Tuba, Euphonium, Timpani, Marimba, and Percussion 1 parts.

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Fl. 1,2

Ob.

B♭ Cl. 1

B♭ Cl. 2, 3

B. Cl.

Bsn.

A. Sax. 1, 2

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

B♭ Tpt. 1

B♭ Tpt. 2, 3

Hn. 1, 2

Tbn. 1, 2

Euph.

Tuba

Timp.

Mal.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

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Fl. 1,2

Ob.

B♭ Cl. 1

B♭ Cl. 2, 3

B. Cl.

Bsn.

A. Sax. 1, 2

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

B♭ Tpt. 1

Solo

B♭ Tpt. 2, 3

Hn. 1, 2

Tbn. 1, 2

Euph.

Tuba

Timp.

Mal.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Tamb.

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Fl. 1,2

Ob.

B♭ Cl. 1

B♭ Cl. 2,3

B. Cl.

Bsn.

A. Sax. 1,2

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

B♭ Tpt. 1

B♭ Tpt. 2,3

Hn. 1,2

Tbn. 1,2

Euph.

Tuba

Timp.

Mal.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Cr. Cym.

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Fl. 1,2
Ob.
B♭ Cl. 1
B♭ Cl. 2, 3
B. Cl.
Bsn.
A. Sax. 1, 2
T. Sax.
B. Sax.
B♭ Tpt. 1
B♭ Tpt. 2, 3
Hn. 1, 2
Tbn. 1, 2
Euph.
Tuba
Timp.
Mal.
Perc. 1
Perc. 2

China Cymbal
Low Tom-tom

73 74 75 76 77 78