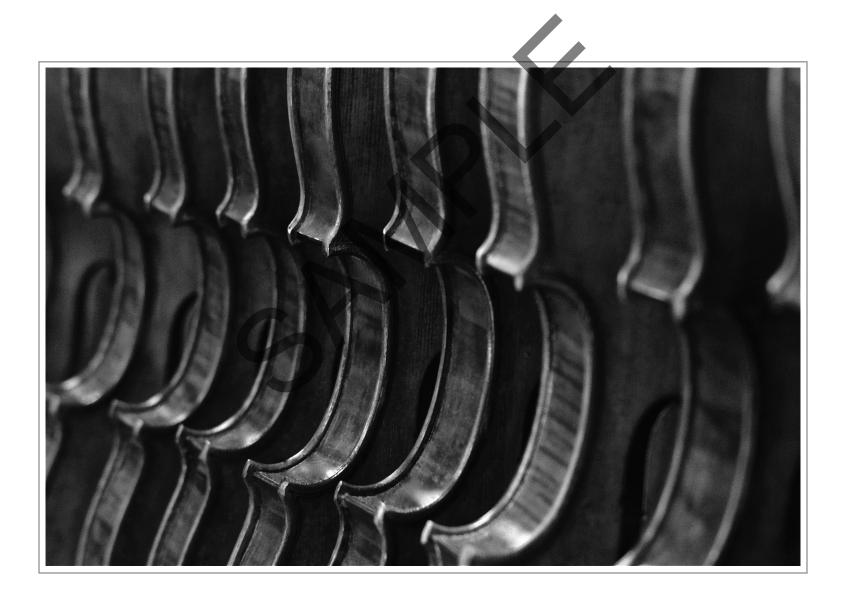
Jeff Bailey

Sevillana: A Spanish Dance



The Composer



Jeff Bailey is a graduate of Old Dominion University with a bachelor's degree in music composition and University of Virginia with a master of arts in music. He has been teaching middle school string orchestra since 1999, first in Chesterfield Public Schools in Richmond, VA, and currently in Virginia Beach Public Schools. Jeff's teaching philosophy includes the integration and education of classical music in his middle school orchestra classrooms and often arranges music to support his curriculum. His arrangements and original works have been performed with music acclaim throughout his home state and his publications have been designated as J.W. Pepper "Editors' Choice" selections. In addition to his music for string music education, he has also composed soundtrack music for educational videos.

Jeff has been a performing rock and jazz musician for over three decades, both on guitar and bass. He lives in Virginia Beach, Virginia with his wife and three children.

The Composition

A **sevillana** is a graceful, yet energetic folk dance, originating in Seville, Spain. **Sevillanas** are danced by groups or couples of all ages, most often during special celebrations (such as weddings) and fiestas. This type of dance is usually fairly easy to master, since it is a commonly found style at celebratory events. In Spain, it's known as the dance of the people. Children are quite comfortable with the routine of a **sevillana** as it's a form of dance they are acquainted with at a young age. For dancers wanting to learn flamenco style dancing, they often train first with **sevillanas** before engaging in flamenco. Songs with lyrics also accompany the dance. Lyrics are often made up by townspeople and lyrics often reflect stories about the town or features about their town an its citizens.

Performance Suggestions

The **sevillana** is a rhythmic dance and is often played with the enhancement of castanets. In this sevillana, not only are castanets included, but tambourine is featured, along with hand claps, foot stomps, and a little bit of col legno.

The tambourine/castanet part is definitely accessible for string students. With the tambourine/castanet part printed on the reverse side of all string parts, spend a little rehearsal time allowing everyone to learn it together using body percussion or pencil taps on the music stand. It's great counting practice!

Instrumentation List (Set C)

- 8 Ist Violin
- 8 2nd Violin
- 5 Viola
- 5 Cello
- 5 String Bass
- 2 Tambourine/Castanets
- I Full Conductor Score

Additional scores and parts are available.

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Full Conductor Score Approx. performance time—2:40

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