

Celebrations for Christmas

A Christmas Flourish No. 2

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1 Full Score	4 Trumpet 1
8 Flute (+ Piccolo)	4 Trumpet 2
2 Oboe	4 F Horn
4 Clarinet 1	6 Trombone
4 Clarinet 2	3 Baritone B.C. / Bassoon (opt. Trombone 2)
2 Bass Clarinet	2 Baritone T.C.
4 Alto Saxophone	4 Tuba
2 Tenor Saxophone	1 Timpani
1 Baritone Saxophone	1 Bells
	1 Chimes
	4 Percussion 1 and 2 – Snare Drum, Ride Cymbal, Bass Drum, Triangle
	3 Percussion 3 – Suspended Cymbal, China Cymbal, 2 Woodblocks, Sleigh Bells
	2 Percussion 4 – Crash Cymbals, Wind Chimes, Sleigh Bells

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Program Notes

Holiday music is a difficult genre to plumb at times. I mean, how many ways can you present the same music? That's the challenge that I face every time I write a holiday arrangement: trying to bring new life to familiar standards.

In 2016, I wrote *A Christmas Flourish*, which I felt was one of my stronger attempts. I loved the way the melodies overlapped and came out in surprising ways.

Celebrations for Christmas is the follow-up work, using a similar structure and style, but completely different content in terms of the melodies it uses (minus *I Saw Three Ships*, which makes another appearance... you're welcome). The carols included are *Joy to the World*; *Bring a Torch, Jeanette, Isabella*; *The First Noel* and *I Saw Three Ships*, with a few hints at other familiar works as well. I hope this arrangement helps to make your Christmas a very merry one. Happy holidays!

Performance Notes

- Tempo is as much a part of a composition as notes, chords, rhythms, orchestration, or any other element. The intended character of a piece relies as much on this as it does on any of the other aspects of its design. Please observe the indicated tempo and try to match it as accurately as possible. If the proper tempo can be achieved, this may be conducted in one beat per measure.
- Any moving lines should be brought out slightly, particularly if they are paired against long chords.
- Resist making m. 100 too grand or slower than marked. It is the climax of the piece, but much slower will make it sound almost melodramatic.

About the Arranger

Randall Standridge (b.1976) received his Bachelor of Music Education and Master of Music in composition degrees from Arkansas State University, studying under Dr. Tom O'Connor and Dr. Tim Crist. From 2001 to 2013, he served as director of bands at Harrisburg High School in Harrisburg, Arkansas. Mr. Standridge has had numerous works selected for J.W. Pepper's Editor's Choice and the Bandworld Top 100. He has had several works performed at The Midwest Clinic in Chicago, Illinois, and his work *Art(isms)* was premiered by the Arkansas State University Wind Ensemble at the 2010 CBDNA conference in Las Cruces, New Mexico. His music is gaining recognition as worthwhile literature for concert festivals and performances across the United States and internationally. He is in demand as a conductor, clinician, drill designer, music arranger, and color guard designer for the marching arts. He also works as a freelance artist, photographer, and writer.

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Traditional Carols
arranged by Randall D. Standridge (ASCAP)

Spirited! $\text{d} = 152$

Flute (+ Piccolo) Oboe Clarinet 1 Clarinet 2 Bass Clarinet Alto Saxophone Tenor Saxophone Baritone Saxophone

Trumpet 1 F Horn Trombone Baritone/ Bassoon (opt. Trombone 2) Tuba Timpani Bells Chimes

Percussion 1 and 2 Player 1: Snare Drum, Ride Cymbal
Player 2: Bass Drum, Triangle

Percussion 3 Suspended Cymbal, China Cymbal, 2 Wood Blocks, Sleigh Bells

Percussion 4 Crash Cymbals, Wind Chimes, Sleigh Bells

Snare Drum (Player 1)
Bass Drum (Player 2)
Suspended Cymbal
Crash Cymbals

5

2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9

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Celebrations for Christmas - Score

15

Fl.

Ob.

Cl. 1

Cl. 2

B. Cl.

A. Sx.

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

Tpt. 1

Hn.

Tbn.

Euph./
Bsn./
(Trb. 2)

Tuba

Timp.

Bells

Chimes

Perc. 1

China Cymbal

Perc. 3

Perc. 4

Celebrations for Christmas - Score

-Picc.

23

Fl. *f*

Ob. *f* *mf*

Cl. 1 *f* *mp*

Cl. 2 *f* *mp*

B. Cl. *f* *mp*

A. Sx. *f* *mp*

T. Sx. *f*

B. Sx. *f*

Tpt. 1 *f* *f*

Hn. *f*

Tbn. *f*

Euph./
Bsn./
(Trb. 2) *f*

Tuba *f* *mp*

Timp. *f* *mp*

Bells *f* *mf*

Chimes *f*

Perc. 1 *f* (China) *p* B.D. to Triangle (Sus. Cym.) *mf* Wind Chimes (metal)

Perc. 3 *f* *mf*

Perc. 4 *f* *mp* Triangle (Player 2) 2 Wood Blocks

23

19 *f* 20 21 22 23 *mp* 24 25 26

31

Fl.

Ob.

Cl. 1

Cl. 2

B. Cl.

A. Sx.

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

Tpt. 1

Hn.

Tbn.

Euph./
Bsn./
(Trb. 2)

Tuba

Timp.

Bells

Chimes

Perc. 1

Perc. 3

Perc. 4

31

mp

mf

p — *mf*

Tri. to B.D.

27 28 29 30 31 32 33 34

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47

Fl. *sub. p* cresc. *f* *mf*

Ob. *sub. p* cresc. *f* *mf*

Cl. 1 *sub. p* cresc. *f*

Cl. 2 *sub. p* cresc. *f*

B. Cl. *sub. p* cresc. *f* *dim.*

A. Sx. *sub. p* cresc. *f* *dim.*

T. Sx. *sub. p* cresc. *f* *dim.*

B. Sx. *sub. p* cresc. *f* *dim.*

Tpt. 1 *sub. p* cresc. *f* *dim.*

Hn. *sub. p* cresc. *f* *dim.*

Tbn. *sub. p* cresc. *f* *dim.*

Euph./
Bsn./
(Trb. 2) *sub. p* cresc. *f* *dim.*

Tuba *sub. p* cresc. *f* *dim.*

Timp. *sub. p* cresc. *f*

Bells *sub. p* cresc. *f* *dim.*

Chimes *sub. p* cresc. *f* Ride Cymbal (Player 1)

Perc. 1 *sub. p* cresc. *f* *dim.*

Perc. 3 *p* *f*

Perc. 4 *>* *f* (W.C.)

55

Fl.

Ob.

Cl. 1

Cl. 2

B. Cl.

A. Sx.

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

Tpt. 1

Hn.

Tbn.

Eup./
Bsn./
(Trb. 2)

Tuba

Timp.

Bells

Chimes

Perc. 1

Perc. 3

Perc. 4

pp

mf

mf

mf

2nd time only

mf

p

mf

let ring

52 53 54 55 56 57 58 59 60

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63

Fl.

Ob.

Cl. 1

Cl. 2

B. Cl.

A. Sx.

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

Tpt. 1

Hn.

Tbn.

Euph./
Bsn./
(Trb. 2)

Tuba

Timp.

Bells

Chimes

Perc. 1

Perc. 3

Perc. 4

mf

full, rich sound

both times

2nd time only (a2)

mf

both times

pp

pp

2nd time only

mf

p

mf

p

Celebrations for Christmas - Score

Fl. 2nd time only *f* 2nd time only *tr*

Ob. 2nd time only *f* *tr*

Cl. 1 2nd time only *f* *tr*

Cl. 2 *f* *tr*

B. Cl. *f* *tr*

A. Sx. *f* *tr*

T. Sx. *f* *tr*

B. Sx. *f* *tr*

Tpt. 1 both times *f* *tr*

Hn. *f* *tr*

Tbn. *f* *tr*

Euph./
Bsn./
(Trb. 2) *f* *tr*

Tuba *f* *tr*

Timpani *f* *tr*

Bells 2nd time only *f* *tr*

Chimes both times *f* *tr*

Perc. 1 *f* *tr*

Perc. 3 *f* (Cr. Cyms.) *p*

Perc. 4 *f* *tr*

Celebrations for Christmas - Score

-Picc.

Fl. *mf*

Ob. *mf*

(2nd time only)

Cl. 1 *mf*

Cl. 2 *p* *mf* *p*

B. Cl. *p* *mf* *p*

div. unis. div. unis.

A. Sx. *p* *mf* *p*

T. Sx. *p* *mf* *p*

B. Sx. *p* *mf* *p*

Tpt. 1 *p* *mf* *p*

div. unis. div. unis.

Hn. *p* *mf* *p*

Tbn. *p* *mf* *p*

Euph./
Bsn./
(Trb. 2) *p* *mf* *p*

Tuba *p* *mf* *p*

Timp. *p*

Bells *mf*

Chimes

(2nd time only)

Perc. 1 *p*

choke

Perc. 3 *mf*

Sleigh Bells

Perc. 4

Celebrations for Christmas - Score

+Piccolo
(1st time)

Fl.

Ob.

Cl. 1

Cl. 2 *f*

B. Cl. *f*

A. Sx. *f*

T. Sx. *f*

B. Sx. *f*

Tpt. 1

Tpt. 2 *f*

Hn. *f*

Tbn. *f*

Euph./
Bsn./
(Trb. 2) *f*

Tuba *f*

Timp. *f*

Bells *f*

Chimes *f*

Perc. 1

Perc. 2 *f*

Perc. 3 *f*

Perc. 4 (Cr. Cyms.) >

+Piccolo (1st time) *mf*

Cl. 2 *dim.*

B. Cl. *dim.*

A. Sx. *dim.*

T. Sx. *dim.*

B. Sx. *dim.*

Tpt. 2 *dim.*

Hn. *dim.*

Tbn. *dim.*

Euph./
Bsn./
(Trb. 2) *dim.*

Tuba *dim.*

Timp. *mf*

Bells *dim.*

Chimes *dim.*

Perc. 1

Perc. 2 *dim.*

Perc. 3 *p*

Perc. 4 let ring

98

Celebrations for Christmas - Score

+Picc.
Play 2nd time only

[2.]

Fl.

Ob.

Cl. 1

Cl. 2

B. Cl.

A. Sx.

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

Tpt. 1

Hn.

Tbn.

Eup./
Bsn./
(Trb. 2)

Tuba

Timp.

Bells

Chimes

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Sleigh Bells

Perc. 3

Perc. 4

mf

2nd time only

mf

1st time only G down to F

p f

2nd time only

mf

1st time only

2nd time only

mf

1st time only

2nd time only

mf

1st time only

2nd time only

f

96 97 98 99 100 101 102 103 104

Celebrations for Christmas - Score

106

1.

-Picc.,(Fls. 1st time)

Fl.

Ob.

Cl. 1

Cl. 2

B. Cl.

both times

A. Sx.

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

106

1.

Tpt. 1

2nd time only (a2)

mf

both times

Hn.

mf

Tbn.

Euph./
Bsn./
(Trb. 2)

both times

mf

(1st tuba)

Timp.

(1st time)

Bells

mf

Chimes

Perc. 1

Perc. 3

Perc. 4

Celebrations for Christmas - Score

rall. Grand! $\text{♩} = 100$

Fl.

Ob.

Cl. 1

Cl. 2

B. Cl.

A. Sx.

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

Tpt. 1

Hn.

Tbn.

Euph./
Bsn./
(Trb. 2)

Tuba

Timp.

Bells

Chimes

Perc. 1

Perc. 3

Perc. 4

122 123 124 125 126 127 128 129

rit.

Triumphant! ♩ = 80

Fl.

Ob.

Cl. 1

Cl. 2

B. Cl.

A. Sx.

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

rit.

div. (top notes opt.) **Triumphant!** ♩ = 80

Tpt. 1

a2

Hn.

Tbn.

Euph./
Bsn./
(Trb. 2)

Tuba

Timp.

Bells

Chimes

Perc. 1

Perc. 3

Perc. 4

rit.**140 Spirited! ♩ = 152**

Fl.

Ob.

Cl. 1

Cl. 2

B. Cl.

A. Sx.

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

rit.

140 Spirited! ♩ = 152

Tpt. 1

Hn.

Tbn.

Eup./
Bsn./
(Trb. 2)

Tuba

Timp.

Bells

Chimes

Perc. 1

(China)

Perc. 3

Perc. 4

Celebrations for Christmas - Score

146

Fl. f ff

Ob. f ff

Cl. 1 f ff

Cl. 2 f ff

B. Cl. f ff

A. Sx. f fp ff

T. Sx. f fp ff

B. Sx. f fp ff

146

Tpt. 1 f fp ff

Hn. bottom note optional f fp ff

Tbn. f fp ff

Euph./
Bsn./
(Trb. 2) f fp ff

Tuba f fp ff

Tim. > f ff dampen

Bells f ff dampen

Chimes f ff dampen

Perc. 1 f sim. ff choke

Perc. 3 f p f p f choke

Perc. 4 > ff