

### CONCERT STRING ORCHESTRA

## CZAR'S EVENING WALTZ

(The Gate, The Night is Bright and Dark Eyes)

ANDREI OBUKHOV, MIKHAIL SHISHKIN & TRADITIONAL Arranged by ELENA ROUSSANOVA LUCAS (ASCAP)

#### INSTRUMENTATION

- I Conductor
- 8 Ist Violin
- 8 2nd Violin
- 5 Viola
- 5 Cello
- 5 String Bass

#### PROGRAM NOTES

CZAR'S EVENING WALTZ combines three traditional & popular Russian melodies. "The Gate" by Andrei Obukhov is an Old Russian song that was sung at aristocratic parties. "The Night is Bright" by Mikhail Shishkin is a Russian romance or love song. "Dark Eyes" is a beautiful Russian-gypsy folk song.

#### NOTES TO THE CONDUCTOR

All of the music, though marked at different tempi, should be felt "in one". This can be achieved with heavier accented downbeats on beat I and a buoyant 'upbow' feel on beats 2 and 3 in each measure. This is expressive, freely flowing music, so there are many "stretches" (written as *poco ritards*) marked before each *a tempo*, occurring one measure before mm. 9, 66, 98, 114, 122, 130 & 137. These should be just an elegant touch; be careful to keep the flow of the musical lines by not making too much of these tempo changes. Before mm. 81 & 161, a little more length is needed for a bigger impact at the louder dynamic markings, so these measures are marked with fermatas.

I hope you and your students will enjoy CZAR'S EVENING WALTZ.

#### NOTE FROM THE EDITOR

All Belwin string parts have been carefully bowed and fingered appropriately by level. The Yellow Very Beginning series includes many bowings as well as reminder fingerings for first-time readers. The Red Beginning series includes frequent bowings to assist younger players. Fingerings for altered pitches are often marked. The Green Intermediate series includes appropriately placed bowings for middle-level students. Fingerings and positions are marked for notes beyond first position. The Blue Concert series includes bowings appropriate for the experienced high school player. Fingerings and position markings are indicated for difficult passages.

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**Please note**: Our band and orchestra music is now being collated by an automatic high-speed system. The enclosed parts are now sorted by page count, rather than score order. We hope this will not present any difficulty for you in distributing the parts. Thank you for your understanding.



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CONDUCTOR SCORE Duration - 4:00

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