

THEY SHALL RUN AND BE FREE

By Brant Karrick

This dramatic tone poem for concert band was written during the summer of 2007 after a moving visit to the National Underground Railroad Freedom Center in Cincinnati, Ohio. *They Shall Run and Be Free* portrays a daring and perilous slave escape. The opening main theme works its way through changing meters and dissonances and reflects running for one's life while being chased and never knowing what to expect. The slow middle section includes a setting of the beautiful Negro spiritual "Oh Freedom," the simple, yet poignant lyrics undoubtedly reflecting the attitude and desperation of many slaves.

*Oh freedom,
Oh freedom,
Oh freedom over me!
And before I'd be a slave,
I'd be buried in my grave,
And go home to my Lord and be free.*

They Shall Run and Be Free was commissioned by the 2007 OMEA District XI Festival Honors Band, Sidney, Ohio.

Instrumentation

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| 1 — Conductor Score | 2 — 1st Trombone |
| 5 — 1st Flute | 2 — 2nd Trombone |
| 5 — 2nd Flute | 2 — 3rd Trombone |
| 2 — Oboe | 2 — Euphonium |
| 2 — Bassoon | 4 — Tuba |
| 4 — 1st B \flat Clarinet | Percussion — 6 players: |
| 4 — 2nd B \flat Clarinet | 4 — Mallet Percussion |
| 4 — 3rd B \flat Clarinet | (Marimba/Bells/Xylophone/
Chimes) |
| 2 — B \flat Bass Clarinet | 4 — Percussion 1 |
| 2 — 1st E \flat Alto Saxophone | (Cabasa/Crash Cymbals/
Woodblock/Snare Drum/
Suspended Cymbal,
Suspended Cymbal/Crash
Cymbals/Bass Drum) |
| 2 — 2nd E \flat Alto Saxophone | 4 — Percussion 2 |
| 2 — B \flat Tenor Saxophone | (Slapstick/Triangle/Vibraslap/
Cowbell/Suspended Cymbal/
Crash Cymbals, Concert
Toms/Bongos/Shaker/
Tambourine/Crash Cymbals) |
| 1 — E \flat Baritone Saxophone | 1 — Timpani |
| 3 — 1st B \flat Trumpet | |
| 3 — 2nd B \flat Trumpet | |
| 3 — 3rd B \flat Trumpet | |
| 2 — 1st F Horn | |
| 2 — 2nd F Horn | |

World Parts

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- E \flat Alto Clarinet
- E \flat Contra Alto Clarinet
- B \flat Contra Bass Clarinet
- 1st E \flat Horn
- 2nd E \flat Horn
- 1st Trombone in B \flat T.C.
- 2nd Trombone in B \flat T.C.
- 3rd Trombone in B \flat T.C.
- 1st Trombone in B \flat B.C.
- 2nd Trombone in B \flat B.C.
- 3rd Trombone in B \flat B.C.
- Euphonium in B \flat B.C.
- Euphonium T.C.
- Tuba in B \flat T.C.
- Tuba in B \flat B.C.
- Tuba in E \flat T.C.
- Tuba in E \flat B.C.



Perhaps the most shameful and painful memories in United States history occurred during the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries with the institution of slavery. Within that time an organized system to assist runaway slaves began. In 1786, George Washington complained about how one of his runaway slaves was helped by a "society of Quakers, formed for such purposes." The network grew, and around 1831 it was dubbed "The Underground Railroad," after the then emerging steam railroads. The system even used railroading terms: the homes and businesses where fugitives could rest and eat were called "stations" and "depots" and were run by "stationmasters," those who contributed money or goods were "stockholders," and the "conductor" was a guide responsible for moving fugitives from one station to the next. Ohio was a crucial route for the Underground Railroad. It has been estimated that 40,000 runaway slaves escaped to Canadian freedom through Ohio. A secret and successful network of over 700 safe houses waited for those fugitives fortunate enough to make it to—and across—the Ohio River. Although a "free state," Ohio was a distinctly dangerous host to the escapees. Bounty hunters hounded the state and the Ohio Black Laws rewarded those who turned in or reported runaways. Law officers were aggressive, particularly following the passage of the Fugitive Slave Law of 1850.

While many fugitive slaves were caught or killed during their flight for freedom, many tens of thousands were successful. For that reason the piece concludes with a glorious final statement of the spiritual "Oh Freedom," and celebrates what must be held truly priceless to all people—FREEDOM!

Preview
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They Shall Run and Be Free

FULL SCORE
Duration - 6:00

Brant Karrick

Excitedly ♩ = 160

Flutes
(Piccolo)

Oboe
(Opt. English Horn)

Bassoon

B♭ Clarinets

B♭ Bass Clarinet

E♭ Alto
Saxophones

B♭ Tenor
Saxophone

E♭ Baritone
Saxophone

B♭ Trumpets

F Horns

Trombones

Euphonium

Tuba

Mallet Percussion
(Marimba/Bells/
Xylophone/Chimes)

Percussion 1
(Cabasa/Crash Cymbals/
Woodblock/Snare Drum/
Suspended Cymbal,
Suspended Cymbal/
Crash Cymbals/Bass Drum)

Percussion 2
(Slapstick/Triangle/Vibraslap/
Cowbell/Suspended Cymbal/
Crash Cymbals,
Concert Toms/Bongos/Shaker/
Tambourine/Crash Cymbals)

Timpani

The musical score is written for a full band. It features 12 staves for woodwinds and brass, 3 staves for mallet percussion, 2 staves for general percussion, and 1 staff for timpani. The score is in 4/4 time with a tempo of 160 beats per minute. Dynamics range from *ff* (fortissimo) to *f* (forte). The key signature has one sharp (F#). The score includes various articulations such as accents, slurs, and breath marks. A large red watermark 'Preview Only - Use Requires Purchase' is overlaid diagonally across the score.

Tune: E♭, A, B♭, D

Fls.
(Picc.)

Ob.

Bsn.

Cls.

B. Cl.

A. Saxes

T. Sax.

Bar. Sax.

Tpts.

Hns.

Trbs.

Euph.

Tuba

Mlt. Perc.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Timp.

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This page contains the musical score for measures 17 through 21. The instruments listed on the left are: Flutes (Piccolo), Oboe, Bassoon, Clarinets (1 and 2/3), Bass Clarinet, Alto Saxophones, Tenor Saxophone, Baritone Saxophone, Trumpets (1, 2, 3), Horns (1, 2), Trombones (1, 2, 3), Euphonium, Tuba, Mallet Percussion (Sus. Cym.), Percussion 1, Percussion 2, and Timpani. The score includes various dynamics such as *ff*, *fp*, *mp*, and *f*, along with articulation marks like accents and slurs. A large red watermark 'Preview Only - Legal Use Requires Purchase' is overlaid diagonally across the page. Measure numbers 17, 18, 19, 20, and 21 are indicated at the bottom of the staves.

23 One Player

Fls. (Picc.) 1 2 *mp*

Ob.

Bsn.

Cls. 1 *mp*

2 3

B. Cl. *p*

A. Saxes 1 2 One Player *mp*

T. Sax. *p*

Bar. Sax.

23

Tpts. 1

2 3

Hns. 1 2

Trbs. 1

2 3

Euph. *p*

Tuba

Mlt. Perc. *mp*

Perc. 1

Perc. 2 *mp* Bongos (with hands) *mp*

Timp.

38 (-Picc.)
All

Fls.
(Picc.)

Ob.

Bsn.

Cls.

B. Cl.

A. Saxes

T. Sax.

Bar. Sax.

Tpts.

Hns.

Trbs.

Euph.

Tuba

Mlt. Perc.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Timp.

Musical score for orchestra and percussion, measures 34-39. The score includes parts for Flutes (Piccolo), Oboe, Bassoon, Clarinets (1 and 2/3), Bass Clarinet, Saxophones (Alto, Tenor, Baritone), Trumpets (1, 2, 3), Horns (1, 2), Trombones (1, 2, 3), Euphonium, Tuba, and Percussion (Mallet Percussion, Percussion 1, Percussion 2, and Timpani). The key signature has one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 4/4. A large red watermark 'Preview Only' is overlaid diagonally across the page. A box containing '38 (-Picc.) All' is located above the Flute part at measure 38. Dynamic markings include *mf* and *a2*.

34

35

36

37

mf

38

39

Fls. (Picc.) 1 2

Ob.

Bsn.

Cls. 1 2 3

B. Cl.

A. Saxes 1 2

T. Sax.

Bar. Sax.

Tpts. 1 2 3

Hns. 1 2

Trbs. 1 2 3

Euph.

Tuba

Mlt. Perc.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Timp.

cresc.

mf

a2

40 41 42 43 44 45

(Picc. on lower notes)

Fls. (Picc.) 1 2

Ob.

Bsn.

Cl. 1 2 3

B. Cl.

A. Saxes 1 2

T. Sax.

Bar. Sax.

Tpts. 1 2 3

Hns. 1 2

Trbs. 1 2 3

Euph.

Tuba

Mlt. Perc.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Timp.

55

mf

f

fp

p

Shaker

Mrb.

Fls. (Picc.) 1 2 (-Pic.) a2 mf

Ob.

Bsn.

Cls. 1 2 3 a2 mf

B. Cl.

A. Saxes 1 2 a2 mf

T. Sax.

Bar. Sax.

Tpts. 1 2 3

Hns. 1 2

Trbs. 1 2 3 mf

Euph. mf

Tuba

Mlt. Perc.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Timp.

Fls. (Picc.) 1 2

Ob.

Bsn.

Cls. 1 2 3

B. Cl.

A. Saxes 1 2

T. Sax.

Bar. Sax.

Tpts. 1 2 3

Hns. 1 2

Trbs. 1 2 3

Euph.

Tuba

Mlt. Perc.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Timp.

Fls.
(Picc.)

Ob.

Bsn.

Clars.

B. Cl.

A. Saxes

T. Sax.

Bar. Sax.

Tpts.

Hns.

Trbs.

Euph.

Tuba

Mlt. Perc.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Timp.

The musical score is for a percussion section and includes the following instruments and parts:

- Fls. (Picc.):** Flute and Piccolo, measures 91-96.
- Ob.:** Oboe, measures 91-96.
- Bsn.:** Bassoon, measures 91-96.
- Clars.:** Clarinet in Bb, measures 91-96.
- B. Cl.:** Bass Clarinet in Bb, measures 91-96.
- A. Saxes:** Alto Saxophone, measures 91-96.
- T. Sax.:** Tenor Saxophone, measures 91-96.
- Bar. Sax.:** Baritone Saxophone, measures 91-96.
- Tpts.:** Trumpets (1st, 2nd, 3rd), measures 91-96.
- Hns.:** Horns (1st, 2nd), measures 91-96.
- Trbs.:** Trombones (1st, 2nd, 3rd), measures 91-96.
- Euph.:** Euphonium, measures 91-96.
- Tuba:** Tuba, measures 91-96.
- Mlt. Perc.:** Multiple Percussion, measures 91-96.
- Perc. 1:** Percussion 1, measures 91-96. Includes instruction: Rim shot.
- Perc. 2:** Percussion 2, measures 91-96. Includes instruction: Slapstick.
- Timp.:** Timpani, measures 91-96. Includes instruction: dampen.

Tempo and meter changes are indicated by large numbers: 2/4, 7/8, 2/4, 4/4.

Dynamics include *ff* (fortissimo) and *ff* (fortissimo) for Concert Toms.

Performance instructions include *dampen* (dampen) and *Concert Toms ff*.

Slowly, with dignity ♩ = 60

Fls. (Picc.) 1 2

Ob. 1 2 3 4

Bsn. 1 2 3 4

Cls. 1 2 3

B. Cl. 1 2 3

A. Saxes 1 2

T. Sax. 1 2 3

Bar. Sax. 1 2 3

Tpts. 1 2 3

Hns. 1 2

Trbs. 1 2 3

Euph. 1 2 3

Tuba 1 2 3

Mlt. Perc. 1 2 3

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Timp. 1 2 3

opt. English Horn solo (upper notes)

mp Oboe solo (lower notes)

pp

p

a2

mp (E. Hn. or Ob.) (opt. Flügelhorn)

(Bsn.) p

One Player

Chimes

mp

Fls. (Picc.) 1 2

Ob.

Bsn.

Cls. 1 2 3

B. Cl.

A. Saxes 1 2

T. Sax.

Bar. Sax.

Tpts. 1 2 3

Hns. 1 2

Trbs. 1 2 3

Euph.

Tuba (upper notes pref.)

Mlt. Perc.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Timp.

Sus. Cym.

p

mp

Meno mosso Solo 121 rit. Freely

Fls. (Picc.) 1 2 *ff* *mf*

Ob. *ff*

Bsn. *ff* *p* *pp*

Cls. 1 *ff* *p* *pp* *a2 pp*

2 3 *ff* *p* *pp*

B. Cl. *ff* *p* *pp*

A. Saxes 1 2 *ff* *pp* Play

T. Sax. *ff* (Bsn.) *p* (B. Cl.) *p* *pp*

Bar. Sax. *ff* *p* *pp*

Tpts. 1 *ff* 2 3 *ff*

Hns. 1 2 *ff*

Trbs. 1 *ff* 2 3 *ff* (B. Cl.) *p*

Euph. *ff*

Tuba *ff*

Mlt. Perc. *ff* damp.

Perc. 1 damp.

Perc. 2 damp.

Timp. *ff* damp. Tri. *p*

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(+Picc. on lower notes)

126 **Tempo I** ♩ = 160

Fls. (Picc.) 1 2

Ob. Oboe, all *f*

Bsn. *p* *f* *p*

Cls. 1 2 3 *p* *f* *p*

B. Cl. *p* *f* *p*

A. Saxes 1 2 *f* *f* *p*

T. Sax. *p* *f* *p*

Bar. Sax. *p* *f* *p*

126 **Tempo I** ♩ = 160

Tpts. 1 2 3 *mp* *ff* *mp* *ff*

Hns. 1 2 *p* *f* *p*

Trbs. 1 2 3 *p* *f* *p*

Euph. *p* *f* *p*

Tuba One Player *pp* *p* *f* *p*

Mlt. Perc. Xylophone *f* *f* *p*

Perc. 1 *p* *f* *p*

Perc. 2 C. Toms *p* *f* *p*

Timp. *p* *f* *p*

125 *p* 126 127 128 *f* 129 *p* 130

Fls.
(Picc.)

1
2

Ob.

Bsn.

Clars.

1
2
3

B. Cl.

A. Saxes

1
2

T. Sax.

Bar. Sax.

Tpts.

1
2
3

Hns.

1
2

Trbs.

1
2
3

Euph.

Tuba

Mlt. Perc.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Timp.

This is a page of a musical score for a large ensemble. It contains 18 staves, each representing a different instrument or section. The instruments listed on the left are: Flutes (Piccolo), Oboe, Bassoon, Clarinets (three parts), Bass Clarinet, Alto Saxophones (two parts), Tenor Saxophone, Baritone Saxophone, Trumpets (three parts), Horns (two parts), Trombones (three parts), Euphonium, Tuba, Mallet Percussion, Percussion 1, Percussion 2, and Timpani. The score is written in a standard musical notation with various notes, rests, and dynamic markings. A large red watermark is overlaid diagonally across the page, reading 'Preview Only - Requires Purchase'. At the bottom of the page, there are measure numbers: 150, 151, 152, 153, and 154.

Fls. (Picc.) 1 2

Ob.

Bsn.

Cl. 1 2 3

B. Cl.

A. Sax. 1 2

T. Sax.

Bar. Sax.

Tpts. 1 2 3

Hns. 1 2

Trbs. 1 2 3

Euph.

Tuba

Mlt. Perc.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Timp.

Fls. (Picc.) 1 2

Ob.

Bsn.

Cls. 1 2 3

B. Cl.

A. Saxes 1 2

T. Sax.

Bar. Sax.

Tpts. 1 2 3

Hns. 1 2

Trbs. 1 2 3

Euph.

Tuba

Mlt. Perc.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Timp.

175

174 175 176 177 178 179

mf *f* *ff* *f*

Fls. (Picc.) 1 2 (-Picc.) 183 *mp*

Ob. *mp* Solo *mp*

Bsn. *mp*

Cls. 1 *mp*

B. Cl. 2 3 *mp*

A. Saxes 1 2 *a2* *mp* (Cl. 2 & 3) *mp*

T. Sax. *mp* (Bsn.)

Bar. Sax. *mp* (B. Cl.)

Tpts. 1 2 3 183 (Ob. Solo) *pp*

Hns. 1 2 *pp*

Trbs. 1 2 3 *pp*

Euph. *pp*

Tuba *pp*

Mlt. Perc. *mp* Chimes

Perc. 1 *pp* Tri. *mp*

Perc. 2 *ff* *mp*

Timp. *pp*

Broaden $\text{♩} = 66$
(+Picc.)

molto rall.

Fls.
(Picc.)

1 2

Musical notation for Flutes and Piccolo. The score shows two staves. The first staff has a dynamic marking of *f* and the word "All". The second staff has a dynamic marking of *f*. Both staves transition to *ff* later in the piece. The tempo marking "molto rall." is present above the staves.

Ob.

Musical notation for Oboe. The score shows one staff with a dynamic marking of *f* and *ff*.

Bsn.

Musical notation for Bassoon. The score shows one staff with a dynamic marking of *f* and *ff*.

Cls.

1 2 3

Musical notation for Clarinets. The score shows three staves. The first staff has a dynamic marking of *f* and *ff*. The second and third staves also have dynamic markings of *f* and *ff*.

B. Cl.

Musical notation for Bass Clarinet. The score shows one staff with a dynamic marking of *f* and *ff*.

A. Saxes

1 2

Musical notation for Alto Saxophones. The score shows two staves. The first staff has a dynamic marking of *mf* and *f*. The second staff has a dynamic marking of *ff*.

T. Sax.

Musical notation for Tenor Saxophone. The score shows one staff with a dynamic marking of *mf* and *f*.

Bar. Sax.

Musical notation for Baritone Saxophone. The score shows one staff with a dynamic marking of *f* and *ff*.

Tpts.

1 2 3

Musical notation for Trumpets. The score shows three staves. The first staff has a dynamic marking of *f* and *ff*. The second and third staves also have dynamic markings of *f* and *ff*.

Hns.

1 2

Musical notation for Horns. The score shows two staves. The first staff has a dynamic marking of *mf* and *f*. The second staff has a dynamic marking of *ff*.

Trbs.

1 2 3

Musical notation for Trombones. The score shows three staves. The first staff has a dynamic marking of *f* and *ff*. The second and third staves also have dynamic markings of *f* and *ff*.

Euph.

Musical notation for Euphonium. The score shows one staff with a dynamic marking of *mf* and *f*.

Tuba

Musical notation for Tuba. The score shows one staff with a dynamic marking of *f* and *ff*.

Mlt. Perc.

Musical notation for Multiple Percussion. The score shows one staff with a dynamic marking of *f* and *ff*. It includes the instruction "play notes randomly (like bells ringing)".

Perc. 1

Musical notation for Percussion 1. The score shows one staff with a dynamic marking of *mf* and *f*.

Perc. 2

Musical notation for Percussion 2. The score shows one staff with a dynamic marking of *mf* and *f*.

Timp.

Musical notation for Timpani. The score shows one staff with a dynamic marking of *mf* and *f*.