America, the Beautiful

Music by SAMUEL AUGUSTUS WARD
Words by KATHERINE LEE BATES
Arranged by CARMEN DRAGON
Adapted by DOUGLAS E. WAGNER

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INSTRUMENTATION

1 Conductor
8 1st Violin
8 2nd Violin
5 3rd Violin (Viola T.C.)
5 Viola
5 Cello
5 String Bass

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At long last, this beloved treasure of American patriotic music from the orchestral repertoire is now available in a playable adaptation written expressly for young ensembles. All of the majestic beauty and awesome grandeur of Carmen Dragon's original is preserved in this new scoring, with appropriate accommodations made for less experienced instrumentalists. A great choice for a program opener, this arrangement will be a welcome addition to any concert performance.

NOTE FROM THE EDITOR

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Bob Phillips
Belwin/Pop String Editor

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