



Winterfest

Featuring *Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming*, *The Holly and the Ivy*,
and *Break Forth, O Beauteous, Heavenly Light*

TRADITIONAL

Arranged by VICTOR LÓPEZ (ASCAP)

INSTRUMENTATION

- 1 Conductor
- 8 1st Violin
- 8 2nd Violin
- 5 Viola
- 5 Cello
- 5 String Bass

PROGRAM NOTES

Winterfest features three very popular hymns. First introduced is "Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming," a Christmas carol of German origin. This hymn first appeared in print in the late 16th century, and the Michael Praetorius (1571–1621) harmonization, written in the German Protestant chorale style, is still the version most heard.

The second hymn introduced is "The Holly and the Ivy," which dates back to the seventeenth century. Holly and ivy have symbolized different things over time, from the original pagan festivities of the Winter Solstice, to emerging as an homage to Jesus Christ and his Virgin birth.

The third and last hymn is "Break Forth, O Beauteous, Heavenly Light" from *The Christmas Oratorio* and adapted by J.S. Bach (1685–1750). Bach composed the oratorio for the Christmas season of 1734 and incorporated music from earlier compositions.

NOTES TO THE CONDUCTOR

This medley is a true holiday treat. It features "Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming," "The Holly and the Ivy," and "Break Forth, O Beauteous, Heavenly Light" in a lovely setting. All three selections are introduced in different settings and have intricate sounding variations. All instruments have very playable and interesting parts throughout, which should not be a challenge to rehearse and perform.

A great collection of Christmas carols that will complete your winter program!

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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CONDUCTOR SCORE

Duration - 4:00

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Moderato ($\text{♩} = 96$)

Violins

I *mp* *div.* (V)

II *mf* *Soli* 4

Viola

mp *div.*

Cello

mf *Soli* -1 x2

String Bass

mp (V)

1 2 3 4

Vlns.

I *mp* 4 *f*

II *mp* 4 *f*

Vla.

(V) *f*

Cello

mp *f*

Str. Bass

f

5 6 7 8

Vlns. I II

Vla.

Cello

Str. Bass

div. *-3* *div.* *rit.*

mf *f* *mf* *f*

9 10 11 12

Vlns. I II

Vla.

Cello

Str. Bass

Allegro ($\text{♩} = 108$)

Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming
(Old German Melody)

15

mf *mp* *mp* *mp*

(Vc.) *Play*

13 14 15 16 17

Score for measures 18-22, featuring Violins (Vlns.), Viola (Vla.), Cello, and String Bass (Str. Bass).

The score is written for four staves. The key signature is one sharp (F#). The measures are numbered 18, 19, 20, 21, and 22.

Violins (Vlns.): Violin I (I) and Violin II (II) parts. Measure 21 includes a 4-measure rest for Violin I.

Viola (Vla.): Viola part. Measure 21 includes a -2-measure rest.

Cello: Cello part. Measure 21 includes a -2-measure rest.

String Bass (Str. Bass): String Bass part. Measure 21 includes a -2-measure rest.

Score for measures 23-26, featuring Violins (Vlns.), Viola (Vla.), Cello, and String Bass (Str. Bass).

The score is written for four staves. The key signature is one sharp (F#). The measures are numbered 23, 24, 25, and 26.

Violins (Vlns.): Violin I (I) and Violin II (II) parts. Measure 26 includes a 4-measure rest for Violin I.

Viola (Vla.): Viola part. Measure 26 includes a 4-measure rest.

Cello: Cello part. Measure 26 includes a 4-measure rest.

String Bass (Str. Bass): String Bass part. Measure 26 includes a 4-measure rest.

27

Vlns. I *mf*

Vlns. II *mf*

Vla. *mf*

Cello *mf*

Str. Bass *mf*

27 28 29 30

Vlns. I *mp* *mf*

Vlns. II *mp* *mf*

Vla.

Cello

Str. Bass

31 32 33 34

36

div. (V)

Vlns. I *f* *div.*

Vlns. II *f* *div.*

Vla. *f* *div.*

Cello *f*

Str. Bass *f*

35 36 37 38 39

"The Holly and the Ivy"
(Traditional English Melody)

Moderato (♩ = 96)

rall.

42

Vlns. I *mp*

Vlns. II *mp*

Vla. *mp*

Cello *mp*

Str. Bass *mp*

40 41 42 43 44

-1 x4

Score for measures 45-49, featuring Vlns. I & II, Vla., Cello, and Str. Bass. The key signature is three sharps (F#, C#, G#). The tempo/mood is marked *mf*.

Measure 45: Vlns. I & II, Vla., and Cello (marked *mf*) play a quarter note G#4. Str. Bass plays a half note G#2. A 4-measure rest is indicated above the Vlns. I staff.

Measure 46: Vlns. I & II, Vla., and Cello (marked *mf*) play a quarter note A4. Str. Bass plays a half note A2. A 4-measure rest is indicated above the Vlns. I staff.

Measure 47: Vlns. I & II, Vla., and Cello (marked *mf*) play a quarter note B4. Str. Bass plays a half note B2. A 4-measure rest is indicated above the Vlns. I staff.

Measure 48: Vlns. I & II, Vla., and Cello (marked *mf*) play a quarter note C5. Str. Bass plays a half note C3. A 4-measure rest is indicated above the Vlns. I staff.

Measure 49: Vlns. I & II, Vla., and Cello (marked *mf*) play a quarter note D5. Str. Bass plays a half note D3. A 4-measure rest is indicated above the Vlns. I staff.

Score for measures 50-54, featuring Vlns. I & II, Vla., Cello, and Str. Bass. The key signature is three sharps (F#, C#, G#). The tempo/mood is marked *mf*.

Measure 50: Vlns. I & II, Vla., and Cello (marked *mf*) play a quarter note E5. Str. Bass plays a half note E3. A 4-measure rest is indicated above the Vlns. I staff.

Measure 51: Vlns. I & II, Vla., and Cello (marked *mf*) play a quarter note F#5. Str. Bass plays a half note F#3. A 4-measure rest is indicated above the Vlns. I staff.

Measure 52: Vlns. I & II, Vla., and Cello (marked *mf*) play a quarter note G#5. Str. Bass plays a half note G#3. A 4-measure rest is indicated above the Vlns. I staff.

Measure 53: Vlns. I & II, Vla., and Cello (marked *mf*) play a quarter note A5. Str. Bass plays a half note A3. A 4-measure rest is indicated above the Vlns. I staff.

Measure 54: Vlns. I & II, Vla., and Cello (marked *mf*) play a quarter note B5. Str. Bass plays a half note B3. A 4-measure rest is indicated above the Vlns. I staff.

Score for Violins (Vlns.), Viola (Vla.), Cello, and String Bass (Str. Bass) from measures 55 to 59.

Vlns. I & II: Treble clef, key of D major (F# C# G# D). Measures 55-56: Quarter notes, slurs. Measures 57-58: Quarter notes, slurs, with *mp* and *mf* dynamics. Measure 59: Quarter notes.

Vla.: Alto clef, key of D major. Measures 55-56: Quarter notes, slurs. Measures 57-58: Quarter notes, slurs, with *mp* and *mf* dynamics. Measure 59: Quarter notes.

Cello: Bass clef, key of D major. Measures 55-56: Quarter notes, slurs. Measures 57-58: Quarter notes, slurs, with *mp* and *mf* dynamics. Measure 59: Quarter notes.

Str. Bass: Bass clef, key of D major. Measures 55-56: Quarter notes. Measures 57-58: Quarter notes, slurs, with *mf* dynamic. Measure 59: Quarter notes.

Measures 55, 56, 57, 58, 59 are indicated below the staff.

Score for Violins (Vlns.), Viola (Vla.), Cello, and String Bass (Str. Bass) from measures 60 to 64.

Vlns. I & II: Treble clef, key of D major. Measures 60-61: Quarter notes, slurs, with *mp* and *mf* dynamics. Measures 62-63: Quarter notes, slurs, with *mp* and *mf* dynamics. Measure 64: Quarter notes, *rall.* marking.

Vla.: Alto clef, key of D major. Measures 60-61: Quarter notes, slurs, with *mp* and *mf* dynamics. Measures 62-63: Quarter notes, slurs, with *mp* and *mf* dynamics. Measure 64: Quarter notes, *rall.* marking.

Cello: Bass clef, key of D major. Measures 60-61: Quarter notes, slurs. Measures 62-63: Quarter notes, slurs. Measure 64: Quarter notes.

Str. Bass: Bass clef, key of D major. Measures 60-61: Quarter notes, slurs. Measures 62-63: Quarter notes, slurs. Measure 64: Quarter notes.

Measures 60, 61, 62, 63, 64 are indicated below the staff.

"Break Forth, O Beauteous Heavenly Light"
(Traditional German Chorale)

Slowly (♩ = 72)

67

Vlns.

First system of musical notation (measures 65-68) for Vlns. I, Vlns. II, Vla., Cello, and Str. Bass. The key signature is D major (two sharps). The time signature is 4/4. The tempo is Slowly (♩ = 72). The dynamics are marked *mp* (mezzo-piano). The Vlns. II and Vla. parts are marked *div.* (divisi). The Cello and Str. Bass parts are marked *mp* and include a *rall.* (rallentando) marking at measure 66. A large red watermark "Preview Only Requires Purchase" is overlaid on the page.

65

66

67

68

rall.

A tempo

Vlns.

Second system of musical notation (measures 69-72) for Vlns. I, Vlns. II, Vla., Cello, and Str. Bass. The key signature is D major (two sharps). The time signature is 4/4. The tempo is A tempo. The Vlns. II and Vla. parts are marked *div.* (divisi). The Cello and Str. Bass parts are marked *mp* and include a *rall.* (rallentando) marking at measure 69. A large red watermark "Preview Only Requires Purchase" is overlaid on the page.

69

70

71

72

Str. Bass

rall. 75 **A tempo**

Vlns. I II

Vla.

Cello

Str. Bass

73 74 75 76

rall. **A tempo**

Vlns. I II

Vla.

Cello

Str. Bass

77 78 79

mf

rall.

83 Moderato (♩ = 96)

Vlns. I
 Vlns. II
 Vla.
 Cello
 Str. Bass

80 81 82 83

Vlns. I
 Vlns. II
 Vla.
 Cello
 Str. Bass

84 85 86 87 88 89

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