

For Lauren, in memory of our trip to Bath, Somerset, England, December 2011

The Birthplace of Kings

(Bath Abbey)

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INSTRUMENTATION

- 1 Conductor
- 10 Flute
- 2 Oboe
- 10 B♭ Clarinet
- 2 B_b Bass Clarinet
- 6 E♭ Alto Saxophone
- 4 Bb Tenor Saxophone
- 2 Eb Baritone Saxophone
- 8 Bb Trumpet
- 4 F Horn
- 6 Trombone/Baritone/Bassoon

- 2 Baritone Treble Clef (World Part Trombone in B♭ Treble Clef)
- 4 Tuba
- 2 Mallet Percussion (Chimes/Bells)
- 1 Optional Timpani (Tune: B¹, F)
- 2 Percussion 1 (Snare Drum, Bass Drum)
- 3 Percussion 2 (Crash Cymbals/Tambourine, Suspended Cymbal)

WORLD PARTS

Available for download from www.alfred.com/worldparts

Horn in E

Trombone/Baritone in Bb Bass Clef

Tuba in Eb Bass Clef Tuba in Eb Treble Clef Tuba in Bb Bass Clef Tuba in Bb Treble Clef

PROGRAM NOTES

The Abbey Church of Saint Peter and Saint Paul, in Bath, Somerset, England, is most commonly known as Bath Abbey. The Abbey was founded in the 7th century and has had three different churches occupy the site of today's Abbey since 757 AD. First, an Anglo-Saxon monastery which was pulled down by the Norman conquerors of England; then a massive Norman cathedral which was begun about 1090 but lay in ruins by the late 15th century; and finally, the present Abbey Church as we now know it. The first King of all England, King Edgar was crowned on this site in 973. The service set the precedent for the coronation of all future Kings and Queens of England, including Elizabeth II.

NOTES TO CONDUCTOR

The opening statement should be bold and majestic. Be careful that the tempo does not get too fast, as it will cause the style to suffer. The use of chimes is intended in certain parts of this piece. If a suitable instrument is not available, bells may be substituted throughout.

At measure 25, please make note of the style change. The flute, oboe, clarinet, and alto saxophone should be lyrical, while the bass clarinet and bassoon should be staccato.

As always, feel free to adjust tempo and dynamics to suit your ensemble and performance venue.

Best wishes!







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