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Ist B Trumpet

2nd B♭ Trumpet

CONCERT BAND

In loving memory of Alta Sue Hawkins, who introduced me to the hymns of Gustav Holst

Third Movement From the HOLST WINTER SUITE

GUSTAV HOLST Setting by ROBERT W. SMITH (ASCAP)

INSTRUMENTATION

	I Conductor	3	3rd B♭ Trumpet	2	Percussion I
3	B Ist C Flute	2	Ist Horn in F		Cymbal, C
3	3 2nd C Flute	2	2nd Horn in F		
2	2 Oboe	2	Ist Trombone		WORL
3	B Ist B♭ Clarinet	2	2nd Trombone	2	Ist Horn in
3	3 2nd B♭ Clarinet	2	Baritone	2	2nd Horn in
3	3 3rd B♭ Clarinet	1	Baritone Treble Clef	2	Ist Trombo
	I E♭ Alto Clarinet	4	Tuba	2	2nd Trombo
7	2 B♭ Bass Clarinet	2	Mallet Percussion I	2	1st Trombo
7	2 Bassoon		(Bells, Chimes)	2	2nd Trombo
4	4 E♭Alto Saxophone	I	Mallet Percussion II (Bells)	2	Baritone in
	I B♭ Tenor Saxophone	1	Timpani	C -2	Tuba in E♭ B
	I E♭Baritone Saxophone	3	Percussion I (Triangle,	2	Tuba in E♭ T

II (Suspended Crash Cymbals)

- one in B_b Bass Clef
- one in B_b Bass Clef
- one in B♭ Treble Clef
- one in B Treble Clef
- B_b Bass Clef
- Bass Clef
 - Treble Clef
- Tuba in B Bass Clef
- 2 Tuba in Bb Treble Clef

PROGRAM NOTES

Snare Drum, Bass Drum

Wind Chimes,

"Old Brenton Carol" is based upon "Come Ye Lofty," which was originally harmonized by Gustav Holst in 1910. The original Holst setting was included in his Christmas Day for chorus and orchestra

Inspired by the many works of Gustav Holst, Robert W. Smith has provided this setting for concert band. The work is dedicated to the memory of Mrs. Alta Sue Hawkins, a gifted musician and teacher, who first introduced Mr. Smith to the sacred works of Holst

NOTES TO THE CONDUCTOR

The opening statement in the clarinet choir and bassoons should be as lively as possible. The remainder of the woodwind choir joins at measure 9 adding brilliance and depth to the ensemble timbre.

The horns and euphonium quote Holst beginning in measure 10 with the entrance of "What Child Is This?" ("Greensleeves"). Please note the dynamic marking to ensure the presence of the horns/euphoniums over the woodwind choir. The quote finishes with a statement from "In the Bleak Midwinter," which alludes to the beautiful Holst hymn and the second movement of Holst Winter Suite for Band.

The mallet percussion entrance in measure 17 should be even more brilliant. I suggest staging the bells on opposite sides of the ensemble, which will not only foreshadow the ending but will also allow the chime effect in measure 43 to permeate the full ensemble.

The crescendo beginning in measure 39 should be very dramatic leading to the chime effect. If percussion personnel and equipment allow, I suggest doubling the mallet lines and staging various metallic keyboard percussion throughout the hall.

Measure 59 should be performed with renewed energy at a slight faster tempo. This will allow the molto rallentando in the last two measures more room for growth and resolution.

"Old Brenton Carol" is the third movement of the Holst Winter Suite for Band. The remaining movements include "On This Day Earth Shall Ring" and one of my personal favorites, "In the Bleak Midwinter." I hope you will consider programming multiple movements of the suite in the future.

I hope you, your band, and your audience find "Old Brenton Carol" a rewarding musical experience. Best wishes for a wonderful performance.

Robert W. Smith

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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