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## INSTRUMENTATION

Conductor Score .....	1	1st B♭ Trumpet .....	5
Flute .....	10	2nd B♭ Trumpet .....	5
Oboe .....	2	F Horn .....	4
1st B♭ Clarinet .....	6	Trombone .....	6
2nd B♭ Clarinet .....	6	Euphonium .....	2
B♭ Bass Clarinet .....	2	Euphonium T.C. ....	2
Bassoon .....	2	Tuba .....	4
E♭ Alto Saxophone .....	6	Mallet Percussion: Bells, Xylophone, Vibraphone, Marimba ..	4
B♭ Tenor Saxophone .....	2	Timpani (opt.) .....	1
E♭ Baritone Saxophone .....	2	Percussion 1: Snare Drum, Bass Drum .....	3
		Percussion 2: Sleigh Bells, Triangle, Tambourine, Cr. Cymbals ..	4

## PROGRAM NOTE

Two Christmas favorites have been re-arranged into a harmonic minor mode providing a new twist on these holiday classics. Robert W. Smith has woven together "Joy To The World" and "Jingle Bells" with quotes from other familiar melodies including "The Dreidel Song" and "Hallelujah Chorus." Join us in our minor celebration of the holidays!

## NOTES TO CONDUCTOR

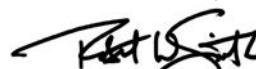
This arrangement provides an opportunity to introduce/reinforce minor scales. I would suggest beginning rehearsals with a review of the Bb major scale identifying scale degrees numbers in the process. From there, proceed to the Bb natural minor scale with an explanation of relative key signatures as appropriate in your classroom setting. Finally, introduce the harmonic minor through the adjustment of the natural minor scale and the raising of the 7th scale degree. Although this music theory lesson may be daunting to younger musicians, the opportunity to introduce minor scales and relative majors will help lay the foundation for future musical growth.

The introduction should be as bold and majestic as possible. The eighth note staccatos that follow in measure 9 should be very light in comparison. The melodic interplay in measures 29-30 should be balanced to insure communication between sections.

The accompaniment figures beginning at measure 41 should be strong but not overplayed. I would suggest clarifying and unifying the staccato articulation in the low brass and woodwinds. Please pay particular attention to the balance between the percussion/low brass/woodwinds and the eighth notes in the alto saxophones and keyboard percussion. Finally, please be sure the upper woodwind presence is maintained as they present "Jingle Bells" in the minor mode.

Please note the subito dynamic effect at measure 60. This sets up a four bar crescendo leading to the "Hallelujah Chorus" quote at measure 64. This quote should be regal and majestic leading to an exciting conclusion.

I hope that you and your band find **A Minor Holiday Celebration** to be a rewarding and educational experience. In addition, I hope this arrangement is a joyous addition to your holiday concert program. Happy Holidays to all!



## ABOUT THE ARRANGER



**Robert W. Smith** (b. 1958) is one of the most popular and prolific composers in America today. He has over 600 publications in print with the majority composed and arranged through his long association with Warner Bros. Publications and the Belwin catalog.

Mr. Smith's credits include many compositions and productions in all areas of the music field. His original works for winds and percussion have been programmed by countless military, university, high school, and middle school bands throughout the United States, Canada, Europe, Australia, South America and Asia. His Symphony #1 (The Divine Comedy), Symphony #2 (The Odyssey), Symphony #3 (Don Quixote), Inchon and Africa: Ceremony, Song and Ritual have received worldwide critical acclaim. His educational compositions such as The Tempest, Encanto, and The Great Locomotive Chase have become standards for developing bands throughout the world.

Mr. Smith's music has received extensive airplay on major network television as well as inclusion in multiple motion pictures. From professional ensembles such as the United States Navy Band, United States Air Force Band, Boston Pops and the Atlanta Symphony to school bands and orchestras throughout the world, his music speaks to audiences in any concert setting. As a conductor, clinician and keynote speaker, Mr. Smith has performed throughout North America, Asia, South America, Europe and Australia. His music has been recorded by various ensembles and is available on CD and download through Walking Frog Records, iTunes, Amazon, and other recorded music outlets.

Mr. Smith is the President/CEO of RWS Music Company, exclusively distributed through C. L. Barnhouse. In addition, he is currently teaching in the Music Industry program at Troy University in Troy, Alabama. His teaching responsibilities are focused in music composition, production, publishing and business.



# A MINOR HOLIDAY CELEBRATION

Conductor Score

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arr. Robert W. Smith (ASCAP)

**Boldly**  $\text{♩} = 112-128$

Flute

Oboe

1st B♭ Clarinet

2nd B♭ Clarinet

B♭ Bass Clarinet

Bassoon

E♭ Alto Saxophone

B♭ Tenor Saxophone

E♭ Baritone Saxophone

1st B♭ Trumpet

2nd B♭ Trumpet

F Horn

Trombone

Euphonium

Tuba

Mallet Percussion  
Bells, Xylophone  
Vibraphone, Marimba

Timpani (opt.)  
B♭, F

Percussion 1  
Snare Drum  
Bass Drum

Percussion 2  
Sleigh Bells, Triangle  
Tamourine, Cr. Cymbals

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A page from a musical score for a large orchestra. The score is arranged in two systems of staves. The first system starts with a flute part, followed by an oboe part. The second system begins with a 1st clarinet part, followed by a 2nd clarinet part. The bassoon part follows, with dynamic markings 'mf' and 'v'. The alto saxophone part has a melodic line with grace notes. The tenor saxophone part follows, also with grace notes. The baritone saxophone part has a similar melodic line. The first trombone part follows, with a dynamic marking 'mf'. The second trombone part follows. The French horn part has a melodic line with grace notes. The tuba part follows, with a dynamic marking 'mf'. The mallet percussion part has a rhythmic pattern. The timpani part follows, with a dynamic marking 'mf'. The percussion 2 part has a rhythmic pattern. A large red watermark with the text "Preview Legal Use Requires Purchase Only" is diagonally across the page.

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Musical score page 19 featuring parts for Flute, Oboe, 1st Clarinet, 2nd Clarinet, Bassoon, Alto Saxophone, Tenor Saxophone, and Baritone Saxophone. The score consists of eight staves. The Flute and Oboe staves begin with eighth-note patterns. The 1st Clarinet and 2nd Clarinet staves show continuous eighth-note patterns. The Bassoon staff includes dynamic markings *mf* and *p*. The Alto, Tenor, and Baritone Saxophone staves feature melodic lines with slurs and grace notes.

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Musical score page 19 featuring parts for 1st Trombone, 2nd Trombone, French Horn, Trombone, Euphonium, Tuba, Mallets, Timpani, Percussion 1, and Percussion 2. The score consists of ten staves. The 1st and 2nd Trombones play eighth-note patterns. The French Horn and Trombone staves include dynamic markings *mf* and *p*. The Euphonium and Tuba staves show sustained notes with grace notes. The Mallets and Timpani staves provide rhythmic support. Percussion 1 and Percussion 2 play continuous eighth-note patterns on their respective instruments.

*a2*

Fl.

Oboe

1st Clar.

2nd Clar.

B. Cl.

Bsn.

A. Sax

T. Sax

B. Sax

1st Trpt.

2nd Trpt.

F Hn.

Tbn.

Euph.

Tuba

Mlt.

Timp.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

25      26      27      28      29      30

31

*Div.*

Fl.

Oboe

1st Clar.

2nd Clar.

B. Cl.

Bsn.

A. Sax

T. Sax

B. Sax

1st Trpt.

2nd Trpt.

F Hn.

Tbn.

Euph.

Tuba

Mlt.

Timp.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

31

32

33

34

35

36

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43

Fl. *mf*

Oboe *mf*

1st Clar. *mf*

2nd Clar. *mf*

B. Cl.

Bsn.

A. Sax

T. Sax *mf*

B. Sax

43

1st Trpt.

2nd Trpt. *mf*

F Hn. *mf*

Tbn.

Euph.

Tuba

Mlt.

Timp.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2 43 > 7 44 > 7 45 > 7 46 > 7 47 > 7 48 > 7

53

Musical score page 53 featuring parts for Flute, Oboe, 1st Clarinet, 2nd Clarinet, Bassoon, A. Saxophone, T. Saxophone, B. Saxophone, 1st Trombone, 2nd Trombone, French Horn, Trombone, Euphonium, Tuba, Mallets, Timpani, and Percussion 1 & 2. The score includes dynamic markings such as  $f$ ,  $mf$ , and  $a2$ . The page is marked with a large red diagonal watermark reading "Preview Legal Use Requires Purchase".

Fl.

Oboe

1st Clar.

2nd Clar.

B. Cl.

Bsn.

A. Sax

T. Sax

B. Sax

1st Trpt.

2nd Trpt.

F Hn.

Tbn.

Euph.

Tuba

Mlt.

Timp.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

55 > 56 > 57 > 58 > 59 >





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