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The Arranger

Morgan Denney writes and arranges music for various chamber ensembles, orchestras, and choirs. A passionate collaborator, she has written for concert settings, film, dance, musical theater, and educational settings. She loves to experiment with musical colors and textures.

Morgan holds a Bachelor's degree in Music Composition with honors from the University of Colorado at Boulder and a Master's degree in Music Composition from the University of Miami, where she has taught music theory and aural skills.

Based in South Florida, Morgan also engraves instrumental music at The FJH Music Company, Inc. and is a freelance violinist. She is a member of BMI and the Society of Composers, Inc.

About the Music

Personet Hodie ("Let Resound Today" in Latin) is a carol from the 16th century Finnish songbook *Piae Cantiones,* though original forms of the melody have been found in sources from as early as the 13th century. The text conveys children singing joyfully on Christmas day. The carol is commonly arranged for choir and performed in Latin or English.

With its strong, Dorian melody and open fifths, strings will lend a particularly solid sound to this carol. For an even more energetic and medieval sound, an optional Low Tom part is included. All parts are important to keep the piece driving forward but steady, especially where eighth notes are used. Open strings are encouraged throughout to acheive ringing chords.

- Morgan Denney

A MEDIEVAL CAROL

(Personet Hodie)

Arranged by MORGAN DENNEY (BMI)



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