

# CHRISTMAS FANTASIA WITH

IT'S THE MOST WONDERFUL TIME OF THE YEAR · DECK THE HALL · GOD REST YOU MERRY GENTLEMEN

(SATB Choir)

Delicate ♩ = ca. 98

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8va-----  
N.C.

Musical notation for measures 1-4. The score is in 4/4 time with a key signature of three flats (B-flat, E-flat, A-flat). The music is marked *mp*. The upper staff features a melodic line with eighth and sixteenth notes, while the lower staff provides a harmonic accompaniment with chords and moving lines.

(8va)-----

Musical notation for measures 5-8. The notation continues from the previous system, maintaining the same melodic and harmonic structure.

5

Musical notation for measures 9-12. The music is marked *mf*. The upper staff features block chords, and the lower staff continues with a steady accompaniment.

Musical notation for measures 13-16. The music is marked *sub.p.* (subito piano). The upper staff features block chords, and the lower staff continues with a steady accompaniment.

9

Musical notation for measures 17-20. The music is marked *loco*. The upper staff features a melodic line with eighth notes, and the lower staff continues with a steady accompaniment. The notation includes *8va-----* markings above the staff.

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*f* *tr* *8va* *tr* *loco*  $\Delta$

13 *8va* *mp*

(8va)

17 *mf*

*sub. p.* *rit.*

21 *A little slower* *mf*

Musical notation for the first system, measures 1-2. The piece is in a key with three flats (B-flat major or D-flat minor) and a 2/4 time signature. The first staff (treble clef) features a complex chordal texture with many accidentals. The second staff (bass clef) has a simpler accompaniment. A dynamic marking of *f* (forte) is present in the second measure.

Musical notation for the second system, measures 3-4. Measure 3 contains a circled measure number **26**. The notation continues with complex chords and triplets in both staves.

Musical notation for the third system, measures 5-6. This system features several triplet markings (the number '3') in both the treble and bass staves.

Musical notation for the fourth system, measures 7-8. The instruction *Gradual accel.* (gradual acceleration) is written in the first measure. The system continues with triplets and complex chordal structures.

Musical notation for the fifth system, measures 9-10. Measure 9 is marked *molto rit.* (molto ritardando) and *ff* (fortissimo). Measure 10 is marked *sub.f* (sub-fortissimo). A circled measure number **2** is in the treble staff, and a circled measure number **33** is in the bass staff. The system concludes with a double bar line and a repeat sign.

Musical notation for the sixth system, measures 11-12. Measure 11 is marked *8va* (octave up) and contains a circled measure number **2**. The system features triplets and complex chordal textures in both staves.

Piano accompaniment for the first system, featuring a treble and bass staff with triplets and chords.

Choir unis. *mf*

It's the

Em B Eb Bb C2 A Ab7(b4) G13

*f*

8vb

43

"It's the Most Wonderful Time of the Year" (E. Pola/G. Wyle)

most won-der-ful time of the year.

Cmaj7 Em7 A Dm11 Dm7 G Cmaj7

*mf*

loco

47

*Div.*

With the kids jin - gle bell - ing and ev - 'ry - one tell - ing you

Dm<sup>9</sup> E G E<sup>b9</sup> G# Dm<sup>7</sup> G Em<sup>7</sup> G

be of good cheer. It's the most won - der - ful

*Unis.*

Dm<sup>9</sup> Dm<sup>7</sup> F#<sup>o7</sup> Em<sup>7</sup> G Am<sup>9</sup>

time \_\_\_\_\_ of the year. It's the

Dm7(4) G<sup>9</sup> Cmaj7 Am<sup>9</sup> Dm<sup>9</sup> G7<sup>b13(+9)</sup>

55

hap - hap - pi - est sea - son of all

*Men div.* It's the hap - pi - est  
 Cmaj7 C6 Am7 Dm7Dm11 Emaj7 G7 C2 C Am7

with those hol - i - day greet - ings and

*Div.*

sea - son of all  
 Dm7 G13 Dm7 G7(b9)

gay hap - py meet - ings when friends come to call.

friends when friends come to  
 Em7 A7(b9) Dm7

63

It's the hap- hap - pi - est

call

8va  
F#°7

Cmaj7  
loco G

Am9

3

sea - son of all. There'll be

Women unis.

Dm7(4) Dm7/G Bbmaj7/C Bb2/C

67

par - ties for host - ing, marsh - mal - lows for toast - ing and

F Fmaj7(+5) Em7 E7(+5)

*Div.*

car - ol - ing out in the snow, \_\_\_\_\_

car - ol - ing out, \_\_\_\_\_ out in the snow, Some

*Men unis.*

Dm7      Bb2  
D      G7(+5)      C2

71

won - drous old stor - ies and tales of the glo - ries of

Fm7      Fm7  
Bb      Ebmaj7      Abmaj7

*Div.*

Christ - mas - es long, long a - go. of Christ - mas - es

Dbmaj7 2      Dm7(b5)      Ab7(#11)      Fmaj9  
G

*Sop. div.* *ff*

long, long a - go.

*ff*

77 *Abmaj7* *Bbm9(11)* *Eb* *Ab* *Fm7*

*Bbm7* *Bbm9 / Eb* *Bbm7* *Bbm7 / Ab* *Cm7 / G* *Cm7(b5) / Gb* *F7(b9)*

4 *Choir unis.* 85

It's the most won-der-ful

*Bbm / F* *Bbm7 / Db* *B07* *Cm7* *Fm7*

time, It's the most won-der-ful time, It's the

Bbm7(11) D $\flat$ <sup>2</sup>/<sub>E $\flat$</sub>  Cm7 Fm7(4) Bbm7(11) D $\flat$ /<sub>E $\flat$</sub>

89

most won-der-ful time of the

Cm7 Fm7 Bbm7 Cm7 D $\flat$ ma $\flat$ 7 / B $\flat$  B $\flat$  E $\flat$  / B $\flat$  Emaj7(6) E $\flat$

year, of the year.

Ab Abm9 Ab D $\flat$  / Ab Abm9 Ab

*ff*

*Div. 3*

5 Slightly slower ♩ = ♩

*ff*

Abmaj7(b5)    Ab    Gb  
Ab

*sub. mp*

98 "Deck the Hall" Listesso ♩ = ♩  
*mp Unis.*

Deck the hall with boughs of hol - ly,

Ab Bb Eb

*Div.*

Fa - la - la - la - la - la - la - la. 'Tis the sea - son

*Men unis.*

Bb7 Eb Fm Eb Bb7 Eb  
Ab Bb

to be jol - ly, Fa - la - la.

B $\flat$  E $\flat$ /  
G B $\flat$  E $\flat$

106 Don — we now

Don we now our gay ap - par - rel Fa - la - la - la - la - la -

Don — we now

B $\flat$  B $\flat$ 7/  
A $\flat$  E $\flat$  G B $\flat$  Fa - la -  
E $\flat$ 6 F E $\flat$ 9

la - la - la. 110 *Choir unis.*

la - la - la. Troll the an - cient yule - tide car - ol,

la - la - la - la.

B $\flat$  F B $\flat$  N.C.  
D

6

Fa - la - la.

Fa - la - la.

Ab Dm7(b5) Eb G Ab C Eb Bb7 Eb Ab Eb Ab

*f*

116

See the blaz - ing yule be - fore us,

Eb Bb Bb7 Eb E B C#m F#m9 E G#

*Unis.*

Fa - la - la

Strike the harp and

*Unis.*

F#m7 B C#m B D# E F#m7 G#m7 E2(no3) A

join the chor - us. Fa - la - la.

F#m7 E B E

Detailed description: This system contains the first musical system. It features a vocal line on a treble clef staff and a piano accompaniment on a grand staff (treble and bass clefs). The key signature has three sharps (F#, C#, G#). The vocal line begins with the lyrics 'join the chor - us.' followed by a series of 'Fa - la - la - la' notes. The piano accompaniment provides harmonic support with chords and moving lines. Chord symbols F#m7, E, B, and E are placed below the piano part. A triplet of eighth notes is marked with a '3' in the piano part.

124 Fol - low me in  
Fol - low me in mer - ry meas - ure, Fa - la - la - la - la -

Fol - low me in Fa - la -

B B A E G# B F# E6 F#9

Detailed description: This system contains the second musical system, starting at measure 124. It features a vocal line and piano accompaniment. The vocal line has the lyrics 'Fol - low me in mer - ry meas - ure, Fa - la - la - la - la -'. The piano accompaniment includes chord symbols B, B/A, E/G#, B/F#, E6, and F#9. The piano part has a steady accompaniment pattern.

128 la - la - la While I tell of yule - tide treas - ure,

la - la - la - la

B D# F# B N.C.

Detailed description: This system contains the third musical system, starting at measure 128. It features a vocal line and piano accompaniment. The vocal line has the lyrics 'la - la - la While I tell of yule - tide treas - ure, la - la - la - la'. The piano accompaniment includes chord symbols B/D#, F#, and B, followed by 'N.C.' (No Chords). The piano part continues with a consistent accompaniment.

Fa - la - la.

Fa - la - la.

A D#m7(b5) E A E B7 E A E  
A G# C# B

B C# F#m E B  
A A

*mp*

7 136

God  
Men unis. *mf*

8va  
N.C.

*loco*

140

## "God Rest You Merry Gentlemen"

rest you mer - ry. gen - tle - men, Let noth - ing you dis -

8<sup>va</sup>

may Re - mem - ber Christ our Sav - ior was

(8<sup>va</sup>)

8

Women div.

148

Slower, legato

born on Christ - mas day To save us all from

(8<sup>va</sup>) N.C.  
rit.

Sa - tan's pow'r when we were gone a - stray. Oh \_\_\_\_\_

*Div.*

$\frac{D^2}{F\#}$  Em Am  $\frac{4}{D^2}$  D

152  $\text{\textcircled{S}}$

tid - ings of com - fort and joy, com - fort and

$\text{\textcircled{S}}$  G  $\frac{C}{G}$  G Asus2<sup>4</sup> Am  $\frac{G}{B}$  Bm7 C<sup>+4</sup>( $\frac{4}{2}$ ) C  $\frac{Em}{B}$

joy, Oh \_\_\_\_\_ tid - ings of com - fort and

*2nd time to Coda*  $\text{\textcircled{C}}$

$\frac{4}{D^2}$  D G  $\frac{Gsus}{E}$   $\frac{G}{B}$  C G Am7  $\frac{G}{B}$  Bm7

*2nd time to Coda*  $\text{\textcircled{C}}$

*Slower**Women unis. p*

160

joy. Now to the Lord sing

Em *Slower* Em *p*

prais - es All you with - in this place And

A E Em<sup>9</sup> A E

164

*Div.*

with true love and *Div.* broth - er - hood Each oth - er now em -

Em A E Em<sup>9</sup>



176

Choir unis. *ff*

*Grande*

Oh — tid - ings of com - fort and

Gm F(4) Eb Dm7

Gm

Eb  
G

Gm

C  
G

*Div.*

joy, com - fort and joy, Oh — tid - ings of

Gm

C

Eb

F

Gm

com - fort and joy. Oh —

C9

Gm

Eb  
G

Gm

184

*rit.* *molto rit.*

tid - ings of com - fort and

Gm Bb Gm Dm F E sus<sup>7</sup> A<sup>b</sup>(<sup>b</sup>4) Eb D(no3)

*rit.* *molto rit.*

Detailed description: This system contains the first two staves of music. The top staff is a vocal line with lyrics: "tid - ings of com - fort and". Above the notes are dynamic markings: *rit.* above the first four notes and *molto rit.* above the final note. The bottom staff is a piano accompaniment. Above the notes are chord symbols: Gm Bb, Gm, Dm F, E sus<sup>7</sup>, A<sup>b</sup>(<sup>b</sup>4) Eb, and D(no3). The piano part has a *rit.* marking above the first four measures and a *molto rit.* marking above the final measure.

*Suddenly faster*

joy,

*Suddenly faster* *ff*

Detailed description: This system contains two staves of piano accompaniment. The top staff features a series of chords with a *Suddenly faster* instruction above the first measure. The bottom staff features a melodic line with a *Suddenly faster* instruction and a *ff* dynamic marking. The system concludes with a double bar line.

*rit.*

joy!

*rit.*

Detailed description: This system contains two staves of piano accompaniment. The top staff has a *rit.* marking above the first measure and a *joy!* marking above the second measure. The bottom staff has a *rit.* marking above the first measure. The system concludes with a double bar line.