

Songs of Praise

Based on *God of Our Fathers*, *Holy, Holy, Holy*, and *Onward Christian Soldiers*

Vaclav Nelhybel

(1919-1996)

for

SYMPHONIC BAND and ANTIPHONAL BRASS

Instrumentation

1 Full Score	2 E $\flat$ Alto Saxophone 1	2 Trombone 1
3 Flute 1	2 E $\flat$ Alto Saxophone 2	2 Trombone 2
3 Flute 2/ Piccolo	2 B $\flat$ Tenor Saxophone	2 Trombone 3
1 Oboe 1	1 E $\flat$ Baritone Saxophone	3 Baritone T.C./ B.C.*
1 Oboe 2	3 Antiphonal B $\flat$ Trumpet	4 Tuba
1 Bassoon 1	4 Antiphonal Trombone	1 Timpani
1 Bassoon 2	2 B $\flat$ Cornet 1	1 Percussion 1
4 B $\flat$ Clarinet 1	2 B $\flat$ Cornet 2	(Snare Drum)
4 B $\flat$ Clarinet 2	2 B $\flat$ Cornet 3	2 Percussion 2
4 B $\flat$ Clarinet 3	1 B $\flat$ Trumpet 1	(Field Drum, Timbales,
2 E $\flat$ Contra-alto Clarinet/	1 B $\flat$ Trumpet 2	Pair of Cymbals)
E $\flat$ Alto Clarinet	1 F Horn 1	1 Percussion 3
2 B $\flat$ Bass Clarinet/	1 F Horn 2	(Bass Drum)
B $\flat$ Contrabass Clarinet	1 F Horn 3	1 Percussion 4
	1 F Horn 4	(Pair of Cymbals, Chimes,
		4 Tom-Toms)

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Internationally renowned composer Vaclav Nelhybel was born on September 24, 1919 in Polanka, Czechoslovakia. He studied composition and conducting at the Conservatory of Music in Prague (1938-42) and musicology at Prague University and the University of Fribourg, Switzerland. After World War II he was affiliated as composer and conductor with Swiss National Radio and became lecturer at the University of Fribourg. In 1950 he became the first musical director of Radio Free Europe in Munich, Germany, a post he held until he immigrated to the United States in 1957. Thereafter, he made his home in America, becoming an American citizen in 1962. After having lived for many years in New York City, he moved to Ridgefield and Newtown, Connecticut,

and then, in 1994, to the Scranton area in Pennsylvania. During his long career in the United States he worked as composer, conductor, teacher, and lecturer throughout the world. At the time of his death on March 22, 1996, he was composer in residence at the University of Scranton.

A prolific composer, Nelhybel left a rich body of works, among them concertos, operas, chamber music, and numerous compositions for symphony orchestra, symphonic band, chorus, and smaller ensembles. Over 400 of his works were published during his lifetime, and many of his over 200 unpublished compositions are in the process of being published. (Nelhybel's passion for composing was all encompassing and left him little time for "marketing" his works; for this reason, many of his compositions, though commissioned and performed, remained unpublished.) Although Nelhybel wrote the majority of his works for professional performers, he relished composing original, challenging pieces for student musicians and delighted in making music with young players.

Nelhybel was a synthesist and a superb craftsman who amalgamated the musical impulses of his time in his own expression, choosing discriminately from among existing systems and integrating them into his own concepts and methods. The most striking general characteristic of his music is its linear-modal orientation. His concern with the autonomy of melodic line leads to the second, and equally important characteristic, that of movement and pulsation, or rhythm and meter. The interplay between these dual aspects of motion and time, and their coordinated organization, results in the vigorous drive so typical of Nelhybel's music. These elements are complemented in many of his works by the tension generated by accumulations of dissonance, the increasing of textural densities, exploding dynamics, and the massing of multi-hued sonic colors. Though frequently dissonant in texture, Nelhybel's music always gravitates toward tonal centers, which makes it so appealing to performers and listeners alike.

Nelhybel received numerous prizes and awards for his compositions, among them, in 1947, a prize at the International Music and Dance Festival in Copenhagen, Denmark, for his Ballet In the Shadow of the Limetree, in 1954, the first prize of the Ravitch Foundation in New York for his opera A Legend, and, in 1978, the "Oscar" of the band world, an award from the Academy of Wind and Percussion Arts. Four American universities honored him with honorary doctoral degrees in music. The many music reference books that have entries about Nelhybel include Alfred's Essential Dictionary of Music, Baker's Biographical Dictionary of Musicians, International Who's Who in Music, The Heritage Encyclopedia of Band Music, The New Grove Dictionary of Music and Musicians, and The New Grove Dictionary of Opera.

Nelhybel's music is performed all over the world, and the list of countries where his works are played is ever growing.

Composed for and dedicated to
Dr. Richard E. Strange and the Arizona State University

SONGS OF PRAISE

Duration 8:10

Based on tunes by: George W. Warren
John B. Dykes
Arthur S. Sullivan

Vaclav Nelhybel

Allegro maestoso

The musical score is written for a large ensemble. The first system includes parts for Cr. (Crescendo), 23, Trb. (Trumpet), and S.D. (Soprano). The second system includes parts for Cr. (Crescendo), 3, Tpt. (Trumpet), Hms. (Horn), 2, 4, Trbn. (Trombone), 1, 3, Bar. Tuba, Timp. (Timpani), S.D. (Soprano), F.D. (Flute), Gym. (Gymnasium), and B.D. (Bass). The score features various musical notations including triplets, dynamics (f, marcato, sfz, sf), and articulation marks. A large watermark 'Dr. Richard E. Strange' is visible across the score.

12

Fl.
Ob.
Bn.
1
2
3
C.
B.
C.B.
A.
A.
Sx.
T.
B.

12

Cr.
Tpt.
Hrns.
1
2
3
Tuba.
Bar.
Tuba.

Timp.
S. Dr.
F. Dr.
Cym.
B. Dr.

The musical score is written for a large orchestra. The top section includes staves for Flute (Fl.), Oboe (Ob.), Bassoon (Bn.), Clarinet (1, 2, 3), Bass Clarinet (B.), Clarinet Bass (C.B.), Saxophone (Sx.), Trombone (T.), and Baritone (B.). The middle section includes staves for Trumpet (Cr.), Trombone (Tpt.), Horns (Hrns.), Tuba (1, 2, 3), Baritone (Bar.), and Tuba. The bottom section includes staves for Snare Drum (S. Dr.), Bass Drum (F. Dr.), Cymbal (Cym.), and Bells (B. Dr.). The music is in 4/4 time and features complex rhythmic patterns, including triplets and sixteenth notes. A large watermark 'P E R' is visible across the page.

Al-lar-gan-do A Tempo

17 Al-lar-gando A Tempo

FLS.
Pcc.
Obs.
Bns.
1.
2.
*Cl.
3.
B.C.
C.B.
A.
A.
Sx.
T.
B.

* parts also included for Eb Alto Clarinet,
and Eb Contra Alto Clarinet.

17

* parts also included for E♭ Alto Clarinet,
and Eb Contra Alto Clarinet.

Cr.

Tpt.

Hms.

Tbn.

Bar. Tbn.

Tim.

S.D.

F.D.

Cym.

B.D.

Handwritten musical score for a symphony orchestra, featuring woodwinds, brass, and strings. The score is divided into two systems. The first system shows the initial measures of the piece, with woodwinds and brass playing a rhythmic pattern. The second system shows a more complex passage with woodwinds and brass playing a melodic line, and strings playing a rhythmic pattern. The score is written in 4/4 time and includes dynamic markings such as *mf* and *f*.

24

This page contains measures 24 through 27 of the musical score. The instrumentation includes Cornets (Cr.), Trumpets (Tpt.), Horns (Hrns.), Trombones (Tbns.), Baritone and Tuba (Bar. Tba.), Timpani (Timp.), and Snare Drum and Field Drum (S.D. F.D.). The score is written in 2/4 time with a key signature of one flat. Measure 24 features a complex rhythmic pattern with many beamed sixteenth and thirty-second notes. Measure 25 continues this pattern. Measure 26 shows a change in dynamics to *mf* (mezzo-forte) and includes a *a2* marking. Measure 27 concludes the section with a final chord and a *mf* dynamic marking.

29

Ob.

Bn.

Cl. Bb.

Bn. C

A.

T.

B.

[illegible]

35 ^{a3}

Fls. *f*

Ob. *f*

Bn. *f* ^{a2}

1 *f*

2 *f*

3 *f*

Cl. *f*

B.C.B. *f*

A *f*

A *f*

Sx *f*

T *f*

B *f*

35

Allargando ff

1 *f*

2 *f*

3 *f*

Cr. *f*

Tpt. *f*

1 *f* ^{a2}

2 *f* ^{a2}

3 *f* ^{a2}

Hrns. *f*

1 *f*

2 *f*

3 *f*

Tbn. *f*

Bar. *f*

Tba. *f*

Timp. *f*

S.D. *f*

Cym. *f*

B.D. *f*

A Tempo

[illegible]

46

Fl. 1. *f*

Fl. 2. *f*

Ob. 1. *f* + Picc

Ob. 2. *f*

Bn 2. *f* + Bba →

Cl. 1. *f*

Cl. 2. *f*

Cl. 3. *f*

C.B. *f*

A. *f*

A. *f*

Sx. *f*

T. *f*

B. *f*

46

Cr. *f*

Hrn. *a 4 f marcato*

Bar. *f*

Tuba *f*

Chm. *f*

51

FL 1

FL 2

Ob.

Bn. + 8ba →

CL 1

CL 2

CL 3

B.C.

A

A

S

T

B

51

Cr. + Tpts

Hrn.

Bar.

Tuba

Chm.

S. Dr. 2nd time only f

56 Più mosso

Fls. *a3*

Ob. *a2ff*

Bn. *+8ba* *a2* *+8ba*

1 *ff*

2 *ff*

3 *ff*

B. *ff*

CB. *ff*

A. *ff*

A. *ff*

SX. *ff*

T. *ff*

B. *ff*

Bass

56

Cr. 1 *a2ff*

2 *a2ff*

3 *a2ff*

Tpt. *a2ff*

Hrn. *a4ff*

1 *ff*

2 *ff*

3 *ff*

Bar. *ff*

Tuba *ff*

Timp *ff*

S.D. *ff*

60

Fls.

Ob.

+8ba →

Bn.

1

2

Cl.

3

B.

C.B.

A

A

Sx

B

60

Cr.

3

Tpt.

a2

Hrn.

1

Tbn

3

Bar.

Tuba

Timp.

S.D.

F.D.

64

Fls.
Picc.

Ob.
1
2

Bn.

Cl.
1
2
3

B.
C.B.

A.
A.
Sx.
T.
B.

This block contains the musical notation for measures 64 through 67 of a symphony. The woodwind section, including Flutes, Piccolo, Oboes, Bassoon, Clarinets, Basses, and Saxophones, is shown with complex rhythmic patterns and melodic lines. The notation includes various musical symbols such as notes, rests, and dynamic markings.

64

Cr.
1,2
3

Tpt.

Hrn.
ff > 2.4

Trbn.

Bar.
ff

Timp.

S.D.
ff

Cymb.
ff

This block contains the musical notation for measures 64 through 67 of a symphony, specifically measures 4 through 6 of the brass and percussion section. It includes parts for Cornets, Trumpets, Horns, Trombones, Baritone, Timpani, Snare Drum, and Cymbals. The notation features various musical symbols, including notes, rests, and dynamic markings such as *ff* (fortissimo) and *a4*.

Allargando A Tempo

67

Fls. *Piccolo p-mf*

Ob.

Bn.

1

2

Cl.

3

B.

C.B.

A.

A.

Sx.

T.

B.

67

Cr.

Tpt.

1

2

Hrns

3

4

p cantabile marcato

1

2

Tbn.

3

Bva

Bar.

Tuba

ff

p

pp

Timp

S.D.

F.D.

Cym

B.D.

ff

p

pp

72

Picc Fls. + Flutes

Ob

Bn

1

2

Cl.

3

B.

C.B.

A

A

Sx

T.

B

p *mf* *p* *a2* *mf* *p*

72

Cr.

Tpt.

1

3

Hns

2

4

1

Tbn.

2

3

Bar.

Tuba

Timp

S.D.

F.D.

B.D.

76

Fls. *a3*

Ob. *a2*

Bn. *+Bn*

Cl. 1 2 3

B. c.B. *mf*

A. *mf*

A. *mf*

Sx. T. *mf*

B. *mf*

f

76

Cr. *mf*

Tpt. *a2*

Hr. 1 2 3 4 *mf*

Trbn. 1 2 3 *mf*

Bar. *mf*

Tuba *mf*

Timp *mf*

S.D. *mf* *a2*

B.D. *mf*

f

Fls. *a3*

Ob. *f a2*

Bn. *f*

(82)

(1) Cl. 2 *f* + 3rd cl.

C.B. *f*

(A) SxT *f*

(B) *f*

(82)

Cr. *f*

Tpt. *f a2*

Hrn. *f*

Trbn. *f*

Bar. *f*

Tuba *f*

Timp. *f*

S.D. *f*

B.D. *f*

86

Fls.

Ob.

Bn.

Cl.

B.

A.

Sx.

T.

B.

trm

86

Cr.

Tpt.

Hrn.

Tbn.

Bar.

Tuba

Timp.

S.D.

F.

B.D.

(f)

4 T: T

90

Fls.

Ob.

Bn.

1

2

Cl.

3

B.

C.B.

A

A

Sx.

T

B

Cr.

Tpt.

Hr.

Trbn

Bar.

Tuba

90

Timp

T-I

Tmb.

S.D.

B.D.

95

Fls. *ff* *a2* *ff* *+ Picc.* 98

Ob. *ff* *a2* *ff*

Bn. *ff* *a2* *ff*

Cl. 1 *ff* *a2* *ff*

2 *ff* *a2* *ff*

3 *ff* *a2* *ff*

B. 1 *ff* *a2* *ff*

2 *ff* *a2* *ff*

3 *ff* *a2* *ff*

Sx. T. 1 *ff* *a2* *ff*

2 *ff* *a2* *ff*

3 *ff* *a2* *ff*

Allargando A TEMPO

95

Cr. 1 *ff* *a2* *ff*

2 *ff* *a2* *ff*

3 *ff* *a2* *ff*

Tpt. *ff* *a2* *ff*

Hrn. 1 *ff* *a2* *ff*

2 *ff* *a2* *ff*

3 *ff* *a2* *ff*

Tbn. 1 *ff* *a2* *ff*

2 *ff* *a2* *ff*

3 *ff* *a2* *ff*

Bar. Tuba *ff* *a2* *ff*

Timp *ff* *a2* *ff*

T. T. *ff* *a2* *ff*

Timb *ff* *a2* *ff*

S. D. *ff* *a2* *ff*

100

Fl.
Ob.
Bn.
Cl.
C.B.
Sx.T.
B.

This section of the score covers measures 100 to 103. The woodwind section (Flute, Oboe, Bassoon, Clarinet, and Contrabass) and the string section (Violins, Violas, Saxophones, and Basses) are shown. The music is in a key with two flats and a 4/4 time signature. Measures 100 and 101 are mostly rests for the woodwinds, while the strings play a rhythmic pattern. In measure 102, the woodwinds enter with a melodic line, and the strings continue their pattern. Measure 103 shows a continuation of the woodwind melody and string accompaniment. Dynamics include *f* (forte), *tr* (trill), and *ff* (fortissimo).

100

Cr.
Tpts.
Hrns.
Tbn.
Bar.
Tuba
Timp.
T-T.
Tmb.
S.D.
B.

This section of the score covers measures 100 to 103 for the brass and percussion sections. The instruments include Cornets, Trumpets, Horns, Trombones, Baritone, Tuba, Timpani, Tom-Toms, Snare Drum, and Bass Drum. The music is in a key with two flats and a 4/4 time signature. Measures 100 and 101 feature complex rhythmic patterns for the brass, including triplets and sixteenth notes. The percussion section provides a steady accompaniment. In measure 102, the brass section plays a powerful chord, and the percussion continues. Measure 103 shows a continuation of the brass melody and percussion accompaniment. Dynamics include *f* (forte), *ff* (fortissimo), and *sff* (sforzando).

ADAGIO

♯ Allegro maestoso

106 **ADAGIO** *Allegro maestoso*

Fls
Ob
Bn.
Cl.
B.
C.B.
H.
A.
E.
Sx.
T.
B.

Antiphonal Brass ff

106

Antiphonal Brass

Tpts.

Trbns.

Cr.

Tpt.

Hrn.

Tbn.

Bar.
Tba.

Timp.

T.-T.

Timb.

S.
B.D.

This musical score is for the song "The Rose Tree" and includes parts for the following instruments and voices:

- Fls.** (Flutes)
- Ob.** (Oboe)
- Bn.** (Bassoon)
- Cl. 3.** (Clarinet 3)
- C.B.** (Cello/Bass)
- A.** (Violin A)
- S.T.** (Soprano/Tenor)
- B.** (Bass)
- Brass** (Trumpets and Trombones)
- Cr. 2/3** (Cornets 2 and 3)
- Tpt.** (Trumpet)
- Hr.** (Horn)
- Tbn.** (Trombone)
- Bar. Tuba** (Baritone/Tuba)
- T.T.** (Timpani)
- Cym.** (Cymbal)
- S.D.** (Snare Drum)

The score is written in 2/4 time and features a variety of musical notations, including rests, notes, and dynamic markings such as *ff* (fortissimo) and *ff* (fortissimo). The piece is marked with the number 114.

120

Fls.

Ob.

Bn.

Cl. 1

Cl. 2

Cl. 3

B. C.

A. A.

Sx. T.

B.

120

Bass

Cr. 1

Cr. 2

Cr. 3

Tpt.

Hrn.

Tbn.

Bar.

Tuba

Timp.

T-T

Cym.

S.D.

B.D.

125

Fls. ^{a3}

Ob. ^{a2}

Bn. ^{a2}

Cl. 3 ^{a2}

B. ^{a2}

S. ^{a2}

T. ^{a2}

B. ^{a2}

125

Brass

Cr. 1 ^{a3}

Cr. 2 ^{a3}

Tpt. ^{a2}

Hrn. ^{a4}

Trbn. 1 ^{a2}

Trbn. 3

Bar. Tuba

Timp

Cym

T.-T.

S.D.

129

Fls.

Ob.

Bn.

(1)

Cl. 3/4

(C.B.)

(A)

Sx.T.

(B)

This block contains the musical notation for measures 129 through 132 for the woodwind and string sections. The instruments listed are Flutes (Fls.), Oboe (Ob.), Bassoon (Bn.), Clarinet in B-flat (Cl. 3/4), Bassoon in C (C.B.), Alto Saxophone (A), Soprano Saxophone (Sx.T.), and Trombone (B). The notation includes various musical symbols such as notes, rests, and dynamic markings.

Adagio

129

Brass

Cr.

1

3/4

Tpt.

Hrns.

1

2/3

Tbn.

Bar.

Tuba

Tim.

Cym.

T-T.

S.D.

This block contains the musical notation for measures 129 through 132 for the brass and percussion sections. The instruments listed are Brass (Brass), Cornet (Cr.), Trumpet (Tpt.), Horns (Hrns.), Trombone (Tbn.), Baritone (Bar.), Tuba (Tuba), Timpani (Tim.), Cymbal (Cym.), Triangle (T-T.), and Snare Drum (S.D.). The notation includes various musical symbols such as notes, rests, and dynamic markings.

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