



Amazing Grace (2008)

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PROGRAM NOTES

Roger Cichy's exquisite setting of this ever-popular American melody is combined with a lovely original lullaby. Inspired by a daughter's enduring love for her mother, who fought and ultimately lost her courageous battle against cancer. This rich musical setting weaves the "Amazing Grace" melody throughout and combines it with the original lullaby which is intended to signify the mother's powerful spirit that continues in the hearts and minds of those who loved her.

PERFORMANCE NOTES

This work was originally written to be performed with a vocal soloist. The piece can be performed without the vocal solo, as the part is cued in the 1st Trumpet. Additionally, an optional 'Advanced' Trumpet part has been included to provide a more artistic trumpet solo rather than the straight melody.

INSTRUMENTATION

Winds: Piccolo, Flute 1 & 2, Oboe, Bassoon, Bb Clarinet 1 - 3, Bb Bass Clarinet, Eb Alto Saxophones 1 & 2, Bb Tenor Saxophone, Eb Baritone Saxophone

Brass: Bb Trumpet 1 - 3, Horn in F, Trombone 1 - 2, Euphonium, Tuba

Percussion: Timpani, Percussion 1 (bar chimes, snare drum, bass drum, maracas, crash cymbals, finger cymbals), Percussion 2 (orchestra bells, suspended cymbal), Percussion 3 (vibraphone)