

For my grandmother, Annie Laura (Robertson) Hazel (1932–2010)

# Carrickfergus

TRADITIONAL IRISH FOLK SONG
Arranged by PATRICK ROSZELL (ASCAP)

## **INSTRUMENTATION**

- 1 Conductor
- 3 1st Flute
- 3 2nd Flute
- 2 Oboe
- 2 Bassoon
- 3 1st Bb Clarinet
- 3 2nd Bb Clarinet
- 3 3rd Bb Clarinet
- 2 Bb Bass Clarinet
- 2 1st Eb Alto Saxophone
- 2 2nd E Alto Saxophone
- 1 By Tenor Saxophone
- 1 Eb Baritone Saxophone
- 3 1st Bb Trumpet
- 3 2nd B<sub>b</sub>Trumpet
- 3 3rd B Trumpet

- 2 1st F Horn
- 2 2nd F Horn
- 2 1st Trombone
- 2 2nd Trombone
- 2 3rd Trombone
- 2 Euphonium
- 2 Euphomann
- 1 Baritone Treble Clef
- 4 Tuba
- 1 Optional String Bass
- 1 Mallet Percussion (Chimes)
- 1 Timpani
- 3 Percussion (Suspended Cymbal, Bass Drum Crash Cymbals)

#### SUPPLEMENTAL AND WORLD PARTS

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E Alto Clarinet

1st Horn in E

2nd Horn in E

1st Trombone in B. Bass Clef 2nd Trombone in B. Bass Clef 3rd Trombone in B. Bass Clef 1st Trombone in B. Treble Clef 2nd Trombone in B. Treble Clef 3rd Trombone in B. Treble Clef

Baritone in Bb Bass Clef Tuba in Eb Bass Clef Tuba in Eb Treble Clef Tuba in Bb Bass Clef Tuba in Bb Treble Clef

## **PROGRAM NOTES**

Carriekfergus" is an Irish foll song named after the town of Carrickfergus in Northern Ireland. The origins of the song are unclear, but it has been traced back to an old Caelic song, "There Was a Noblewoman," circa 1745.

The Irish lyrics were about a man in a bawdy and humorous ditty. By contrast, the English lyrics are nostalgic. Historians suggest "Carrickfergus" may have evolved from these two separate songs, which would explain why it doesn't have a consistent narrative.

the song is a popular request at folk festivals and concerts, and was played at the 1999 funeral of John F. Kennedy, Jr. Most recently, it appeared in the closing credits of HBO's *Boardwalk Empire*.



## **NOTES TO CONDUCTOR**

This arrangement should be approached in a warm and intimate style. Make sure that the arpeggiated rhythms throughout the setting are accurate rhythmically and the same dynamically. If a suitable instrument is available, you may choose to double the bass clarinet part on a contrabass clarinet in B<sup>1</sup> to give the winds more "bottom" to the sound.

Please note that the oboe solo from measures 15 through 21 in doubled in the first clarinet. The flute solo beginning at measure 31 should be played like an rish pennywhistle. The player should be encouraged to play freely, but never to the point of being out of context musically During measures 61 and 62, feel free to pull the ritard into measure 63. However, the tempo of the flute solo in measure 63 should not suffer due to the ritard. Upon release of the last note, the timpani and string bass should release together.

I have enjoyed creating this arrangement of *Carrickfergus*. I hope it is an enriching and musical experience.

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