# **Ritual Dance**

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## **INSTRUMENTATION -**

- 1 Conductor
- 10 C Flute
- 2 Oboe
- 10 B Clarinet
- 2 B Bass Clarinet
- 6 El Alto Saxophone
- 4 Bl Tenor Saxophone
- 2 El Baritone Saxophone
- 8 B Trumpet
- 4 Horn in F

- 6 Trombone/Baritone/Bassoon
- 2 Baritone Treble Clef (World Part Trombone in B<sup>1</sup> Treble Clef)
- 4 Tuba
- 2 Mallet Percussion (Bells)
- 5 Percussion I (Snare Drum/Tom-Tom, Bass Drum)
- 4 Percussion II (Shaker, Triangle, Tambourine, Suspended Cymbal)

#### **WORLD PARTS**

Available for download from www.alfred.com/worldparts

Horn in El
Trombone/Baritone in Bl
Bass Clef
Tuba in El
Treble Clef

Tuba in B♭ Bass Clef
Tuba in B♭ Treble Clef

## **PROGRAM NOTES**

In many world cultures, music and dance are important aspects of ceremonial rituals. Many of these ritual dances are spiritually linked, symbolizing the connection of the spirit world to life's many events such as the birth of a child, a rite of passage, a marriage, or a successful battle.

## **NOTES TO THE CONDUCTOR**

The snare drum/tom-tom part may be played by as many percussionists as you desire. Be sure to have the snares off. The horn part at measure 30 includes optional notes for those who have trouble reaching the upper note C. There should be complete silence on beat 3 of the final measure; make sure that all of your students observe the rest.

I hope you and your students find "Ritual Dance" to be an exciting musical experience.

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