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**2½**

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Full Conductor Score .....	1	2nd Bb Trumpet .....	5
Flute .....	10	F Horn .....	4
Oboe .....	2	Trombone .....	6
1st Bb Clarinet .....	5	Baritone BC .....	2
2nd Bb Clarinet .....	5	Baritone TC .....	2
Bb Bass Clarinet .....	2	Tuba .....	4
Bassoon .....	2	Bells .....	4
Eb Alto Saxophone .....	6	Percussion 1: Snare Drum, Bass Drum .....	3
Bb Tenor Saxophone .....	2	Percussion 2: Crash Cymbals, Suspended Cymbal,	
Eb Baritone Saxophone .....	2	Tam-Tam, Triangle .....	4
1st Bb Trumpet .....	5		

## PROGRAM NOTES

I've been interested in music based on sea chanteys for years but, until now, wasn't certain what the best vehicle would be to connect those pieces. I found my answer in the saxophone section. Perhaps no band composer has championed the versatility of the saxophone family as much as Percy Grainger, who spoke glowingly of the entire range of instruments that mirror the range of the human voice. What better section to provide the melodic statements of these folk songs than the saxophones, which more so than any other instrument family were designed to represent the human voice.

This setting highlights four well-known sea songs: "Blow The Man Down," "The Drunken Sailor," "A-Roving," and "Hornpipe."

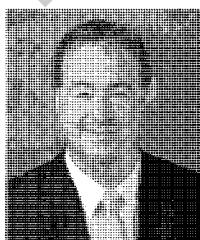
## REHEARSAL SUGGESTIONS

- The opening statement should be reasonably quick – it should be felt in a slow “one” rather than a mechanical “three” feel.
- At m. 42 (“A-Roving”), care should be taken to keep the saxophone sound in the forefront despite the thickness of the accompaniment in the low brass/reeds.
- The Hornpipe at m. 62 should be played with tempo restraint until the third time through. The accelerando should take the ensemble to the very edge of control, but not beyond.
- This composition will function with only snare and bass drums if personnel is limited. With that said, the other parts provide color and a more satisfying musical result.

Best wishes for successful and enjoyable performances of **Saxes On The Seas!**

- Matt Conaway

## ABOUT THE COMPOSER



Matt Conaway (b. 1979) is an Assistant Professor of Bands at Purdue University in West Lafayette, IN. He serves as Associate Director of the famed “All-American” Marching Band, directs the University Concert Band and Varsity Band, assists with the basketball pep bands as a director and staff arranger, and is the department’s technical coordinator. Prior to this appointment, he served for ten years as the Director of Bands for the West Lafayette Community School Corporation, during which time the program received many state and national accolades for musical excellence.

His compositions for band range from very beginning through very advanced, based on his experience working with all levels of performers in grades 5-12. Matt is also an accomplished arranger, and has written for athletic bands at Indiana University, Purdue University, and many high schools throughout the Midwest. His arrangements have been heard on the national stage at multiple bowl games and college basketball tournaments since 1999.

After graduating from Woodhaven (MI) High School in 1997, he attended Indiana University – Bloomington, where he studied arranging with David Woodley. He received his Bachelor of Music Education with Distinction in 2001, and earned a Masters of Music degree from the American Band College of Sam Houston State University in 2010. Matt has been granted honorary membership in Tau Beta Sigma and Kappa Kappa Psi, and was recently inducted into the Gamma Chapter of Phi Beta Mu. He is also a member of NAfME, NBA, Indiana Music Educators Association, Indiana Bandmasters Association, and ASCAP. He is in demand as a clinician and adjudicator at concert band festivals and competitions throughout the Midwest.

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(ASCAP)

Conductor Score

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Briskly ( $\text{J} = 144$ )

5

Flute

Oboe

1st B♭ Clarinet

2nd B♭ Clarinet

B♭ Bass Clarinet

Bassoon

E♭ Alto Saxophone

B♭ Tenor Saxophone

E♭ Baritone Saxophone

1st B♭ Trumpet

2nd B♭ Trumpet

F Horn

Trombone

Baritone

Tuba

Bells

Percussion 1  
Snare Drum,  
Bass Drum

Percussion 2  
Crash Cymbals,  
Sus. Cymbal,  
Tam-Tam, Triangle

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 Triangle 10

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13

Fl.

Ob.

1st Cl.

2nd Cl.

Bass Cl.

Bsn.

Alto Sax.

Ten. Sax.

Bari. Sax.

1st Trpt.

2nd Trpt.

Hn.

Trom.

Bar.

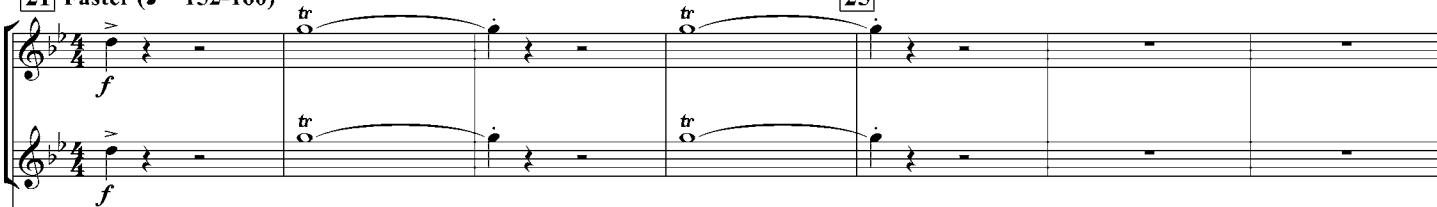
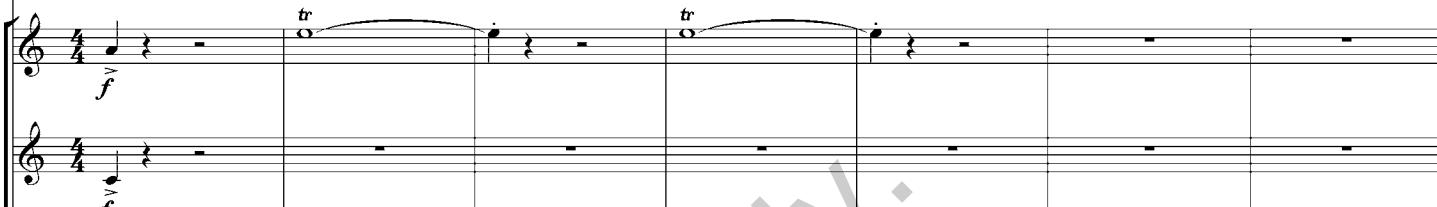
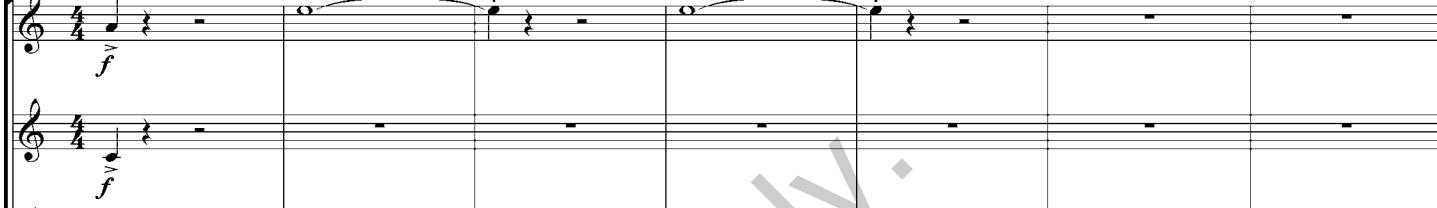
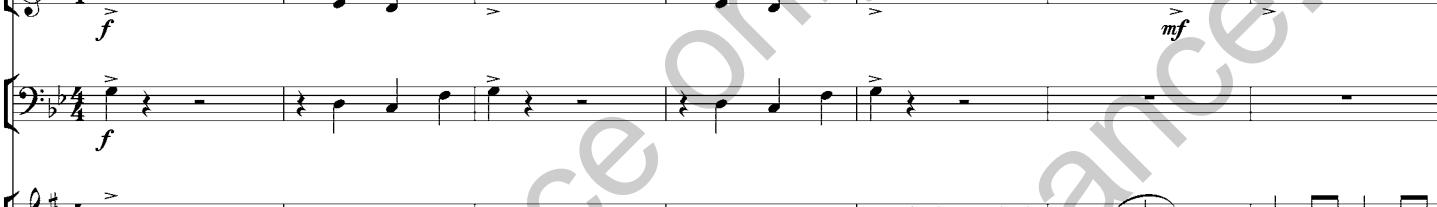
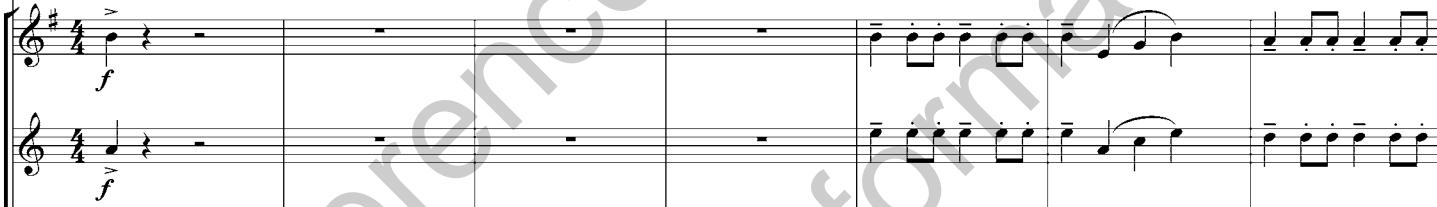
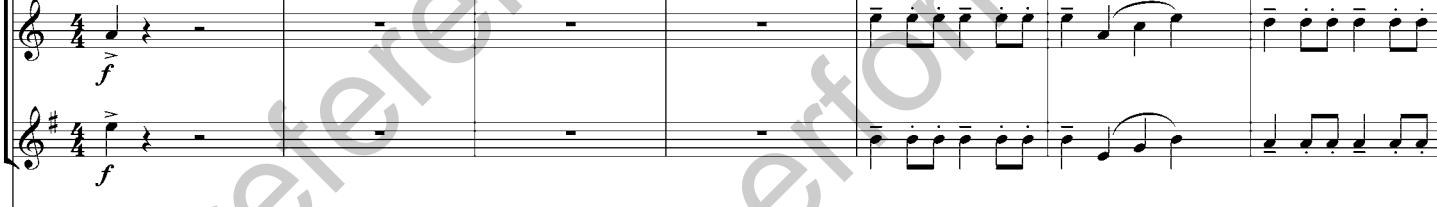
Tuba

Bells

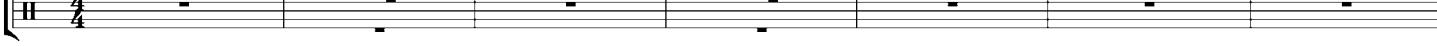
Perc. 1

Perc. 2

**[21] Faster ( $\text{♩} = 152-160$ )**

Fl. 
  
 Ob. 
  
 1st Cl. 
  
 2nd Cl. 
  
 Bass Cl. 
  
 Bsn. 
  
 Alto Sax. 
  
 Ten. Sax. 
  
 Bari. Sax. 
  

**[21] Faster ( $\text{♩} = 152-160$ )**

1st Trpt. 
  
 2nd Trpt. 
  
 Hn. 
  
 Trom. 
  
 Bar. 
  
 Tuba 
  
 Bells 
  
 Perc. 1 
  
 Perc. 2 

33

Fl.

Ob.

1st Cl.

2nd Cl.

Bass Cl.

Bsn.

Alto Sax.

Ten. Sax.

Bari. Sax.

1st Trpt.

2nd Trpt.

Hn.

Trom.

Bar.

Tuba

Bells

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

*Not Valid for Performance*

Tambourine

Fl.

Ob.

1st Cl.

2nd Cl.

Bass Cl.

Bsn.

Alto Sax.

Ten. Sax.

Bari. Sax.

1st Trpt.

2nd Trpt.

Hn.

Trom.

Bar.

Tuba

Bells

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Tam-Tam

**42** Lyrically, With Motion ( $\text{♩} = 120$ )

Fl.

Ob.

1st Cl.

2nd Cl.

Bass Cl.

Bsn.

Alto Sax.

Ten. Sax.

Bari. Sax.

This section of the musical score includes parts for Flute, Oboe, First Clarinet, Second Clarinet, Bass Clarinet, Bassoon, Alto Saxophone, Tenor Saxophone, and Baritone Saxophone. The bassoon and baritone saxophone parts begin with eighth-note patterns at measure 42, marked *mp*. The alto and tenor saxophones enter with eighth-note patterns at measure 44. Measures 45-46 show sustained notes and eighth-note patterns. Measures 47-48 feature eighth-note patterns. Measures 49-51 conclude with eighth-note patterns.

**42** Lyrically, With Motion ( $\text{♩} = 120$ )

1st Trpt.

2nd Trpt.

Hn.

Trom.

Bar.

Tuba

Bells

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

This section of the musical score includes parts for First Trombone, Second Trombone, Horn, Trombone, Bass Trombone, Tuba, and Bells. The first three measures (42-44) are mostly silent. At measure 45, the Trombone and Bass Trombone play eighth-note patterns marked *mp*. The tuba joins in at measure 46. Measures 47-48 continue with eighth-note patterns. Measures 49-51 conclude with eighth-note patterns.

54

Fl.

Ob.

1st Cl.

2nd Cl.

Bass Cl.

Bsn.

Alto Sax.

Ten. Sax.

Bari. Sax.

1st Trpt.

2nd Trpt.

Hn.

Trom.

Bar.

Tuba

Bells

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

**p** As gently and resonantly as possible. Do not play if the bass drum is muffled.

52      53      54      55      56      57      58      59      60      61

**[62] Play Three Times (accel. third time)**

Play 2nd and 3rd Times

Musical score for measures 62-67. The score includes parts for Flute (Fl.), Oboe (Ob.), 1st Clarinet (1st Cl.), 2nd Clarinet (2nd Cl.), Bass Clarinet (Bass Cl.), Bassoon (Bsn.), Alto Saxophone (Alto Sax.), Tenor Saxophone (Ten. Sax.), and Baritone Saxophone (Bari. Sax.). The music consists of six staves. Measure 62 starts with a dynamic *mp* and instruction "Play 2nd and 3rd Times". Measures 63-64 show the instruments playing eighth-note patterns. Measure 65 begins with a dynamic *mf* and instruction "Play 3rd Time Only". Measures 66-67 continue with eighth-note patterns.

**[62] Play Three Times (accel. third time)**

Play 3rd Time Only

Musical score for measures 62-67. The score includes parts for 1st Trombone (1st Trpt.), 2nd Trombone (2nd Trpt.), Horn (Hn.), Trombone (Trom.), Bass Trombone (Bar.), Tuba, Bells, Percussion 1 (Perc. 1), Percussion 2 (Perc. 2), and Triangle (Tri.). The music consists of six staves. Measure 62 starts with a dynamic *mf* and instruction "Play 3rd Time Only". Measures 63-64 show the instruments playing eighth-note patterns. Measure 65 begins with a dynamic *mf* and instruction "Play 2nd and 3rd Times". Measures 66-67 continue with eighth-note patterns. The triangle part (Tri.) has a dynamic *mf* in measure 67.

**70** Very Quickly! ( $\text{♩} = 160+$ )

Fl.  
Ob.  
1st Cl.  
2nd Cl.  
Bass Cl.  
Bsn.  
Alto Sax.  
Ten. Sax.  
Bari. Sax.

**70** Very Quickly! ( $\text{♩} = 160+$ )

1st Trpt.  
2nd Trpt.  
Hn.  
Trom.  
Bar.  
Tuba  
Bells  
Perc. 1  
Perc. 2

Fl.

Ob.

1st Cl.

2nd Cl.

Bass Cl.

Bsn.

Alto Sax.

Ten. Sax.

Bari. Sax.

1st Trpt.

2nd Trpt.

Hn.

Trom.

Bar.

Tuba

Bells

Perc. 1

Perc. 2