

FULL CONDUCTOR SCORE
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Yes, Virginia, There Is A Santa Claus

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YES, VIRGINIA, There is a Santa Claus

INSTRUMENTATION

Full Conductor Score	1
Narrator	2
Flute	10
Oboe	2
1st Bb Clarinet	6
2nd Bb Clarinet.....	6
Bb Bass Clarinet.....	2
Bassoon	2
Eb Alto Saxophone	6
Bb Tenor Saxophone	2
Eb Baritone Saxophone	1
1st Bb Trumpet	5
2nd Bb Trumpet	5
F Horn.....	4
1st Trombone	3
2nd Trombone.....	3
Euphonium (Baritone) BC.....	2
Euphonium (Baritone) TC	2
Tuba	4
Mallet Percussion: Chimes, Bells	2
Timpani	1
Percussion 1: Snare Drum, Bass Drum, Shaker, Triangle, Tambourine	4
Percussion 2: Mark Tree (Wind Chimes), Suspended Cymbal, Crash Cymbals	2
Percussion 3: Sleigh Bells	1

PROGRAM NOTES

It's 1897 in New York City. A young girl writes to the editor of the New York Sun questioning the existence of Santa Claus. The classic editorial response "Yes, Virginia" has charmed generations of families during the yuletide season. Robert W. Smith has set this inspiring text to music for the concert band. **Yes, Virginia, There Is A Santa Claus** reminds us all of the wonders of the holiday season as seen through a child's eyes!

NOTES TO CONDUCTOR

The arrangement consists of holiday classic melodies that should be quick to prepare. However, please allow ample rehearsal time with your narrator to insure the timing and dramatic effect of the text to music.

Note the narrator's pace will need to quicken at m. 49. If necessary, feel free to adjust the musical tempo to accommodate the narrator's performance. This section can be performed as slow as m.m. = 112. In m. 88, the narrator should deliver the final lines in the measures as notated to insure the interaction between the text and musical fanfare figures. Again, feel free to adjust tempo based on your musical performance situation.

I hope that **Yes, Virginia, There Is A Santa Claus** will find a place in your regular holiday repertoire. Best wishes for a wonderful performance!



ABOUT THE COMPOSER



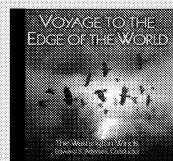
Robert W. Smith (b. 1958) is one of the most popular and prolific composers of concert band and orchestral literature in America today. He has over 600 publications in print with the majority composed and arranged through his long association with Warner Bros. Publications and the Belwin catalog.

Mr. Smith's credits include many compositions and productions in all areas of the music field. His original works for winds and percussion have been programmed by countless military, university, high school, and middle school bands throughout the United States, Canada, Europe, Australia, South America and Asia. His **Symphony #1 (The Divine Comedy)**, **Symphony #2 (The Odyssey)** and **Africa: Ceremony, Song and Ritual** have received worldwide critical acclaim. His educational compositions such as **The Tempest**, **Encanto**, and **The Great Locomotive Chase** have become standards for developing bands throughout the world. His numerous works for orchestras of all levels are currently some of the most popular repertoire available today. His music has received extensive airplay on major network television as well as inclusion in multiple motion pictures. From professional ensembles such as the United States Navy Band and the Atlanta Symphony to school bands and orchestras throughout the world, his music speaks to audiences in any concert setting.

As a conductor and clinician, Mr. Smith has performed throughout the United States, Canada, Japan, Europe and Australia. He is the principal conductor of the American Symphonic Winds and the American Festival Philharmonic Orchestra, professional recording ensembles based in Washington D. C. He has recently completed production of **Symphony No. 3 (Don Quixote)**, the fourth in a series of compact disc recordings of his best-known works for concert band. In addition, he is co-creator of the Expressions Music Curriculum. This comprehensive Pre-K through 12 music program includes **Band Expressions**, an innovative new approach to teaching music through the band.

Mr. Smith is the Vice President of Product Development and is an exclusive composer for the C. L. Barnhouse Company and Walking Frog Records. In addition, he is currently teaching in the Music Industry program at Troy University in Troy, Alabama. His teaching responsibilities are focused in music composition, production, publishing and business.

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OF THE WORLD

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YES VIRGINIA, THERE IS A SANTA CLAUS

Conductor Score
012-4240-00

Robert W. Smith (ASCAP)

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

1st Trombone

2nd Trombone

Euphonium (Baritone)

Tuba

Mallet Percussion: Chimes, Bells

Timpani

Percussion 1:
Snare Drum, Bass Drum,
Shaker, Triangle,
Tambourine

Percussion 2:
Mark Tree (Wind Chimes)
Crash Cymbals,
Suspended Cymbal

Percussion 3:
Sleigh Bells

Festive ♩ = 132 Slowly ♩ = 84

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Chimes

fp

mf

fp

S.D. B.D. pp

Sus. Cym. pp

Mark Tree (Wind Chimes) f

Sleigh Bells f

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Virginia (girl's voice): Dear Editor: I am 8 years old. Some of my little friends say there is no

Fl. Solo *mf*

Ob.

1st Cl. *mp*

2nd Cl. *mp*

Bs. Cl. *mp*

Bsn.

A. Sx.

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

1st Trp. *5*

2nd Trp.

Hn.

1st Trb.

2nd Trb.

Euph. (Bar.)

Tuba

Mallet Perc.

Timp.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2 *pp* *mf*

Perc. 3 *pp* *mf*

div.

Oboe cue *mp* *mf*

[12]

Duet

Fl.

Ob.

1st Cl.

2nd Cl.

Bs. Cl.

Bsn.

A. Sx.

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

1st Trp.

2nd Trp.

Hn.

1st Trb.

2nd Trb.

Euph. (Bar.)

Tuba

Mallet
Perc.

Timpani

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Perc. 3

12

13

14

15

16

17

18

Duet

mp

mp

mp

pp

Play pp

Bells

mp

pp

pp

pp

pp

pp

pp

pp

mf

pp

mf

p

Editor (man's voice): #1. Virginia, your little friends are wrong. They have been affected by the skepticism of a skeptical age. They do not believe except they see. They think that nothing can be which is

[19] Warmly

Fl.

Ob.

1st Cl.

2nd Cl.

Bs. Cl.

Bsn.

A. Sx.

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

1st Trp.

2nd Trp.

Hn.

1st Trb.

2nd Trb.

Euph. (Bar.)

Tuba

Mallet Perc.

Timp.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Perc. 3

not comprehensible by their little minds. All minds, Virginia, whether they be men's or children's, are little. In this great universe of ours, man is a mere insect, an ant, in his intellect as compared with the boundless world about him, as measured by the intelligence

28

Fl.

Ob.

1st Cl.

2nd Cl.

Bs. Cl.

Bsn.

A. Sx.

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

1st Trp.

2nd Trp.

Hn.

1st Trb.

2nd Trb.

Euph.
(Bar.)

Tuba

Mallet
Perc.

Timpani

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Perc. 3

capable of grasping the whole of truth and knowledge.

#2. Yes, Virginia, there is a Santa Claus. He exists as certainly as love and generosity and devotion exist, and
rit.

36

Fl.
Ob.
1st Cl.
2nd Cl.
Bs. Cl.
Bsn.
A. Sx.
T. Sx.
B. Sx.
1st Trp.
2nd Trp.
Hn.
1st Trb.
2nd Trb.
Euph. (Bar.)
Tuba
Mallet
Perc.
Timpani
Perc. 1
Perc. 2
Perc. 3

you know that they abound and give to your life its highest beauty and joy. Alas! how dreary would be the world if there were no Santa Claus! It would be dreary as if there were no Virginias. There would be no childlike faith then, no poetry, no romance to make tolerable this existence. We should have no enjoyment, except in sense and sight. The eternal light with which childhood

a tempo

Fl.

Ob.

1st Cl.

2nd Cl.

Bs. Cl.

Bsn.

A. Sx.

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

1st Trp.

2nd Trp.

Hn.

1st Trb.

2nd Trb.

Euph. (Bar.)

Tuba

Mallet Perc.

Timp.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Perc. 3

Oboe cue

mp Solo

rit.

div.

a tempo

pp

mf

pp

mf

pp

mf

fills the world would be extinguished.

#3. Not believe in Santa Claus! You might as well not believe in fairies. You might get your papa to hire men to watch in all the

[49] Brightly! ♩ = 120

Play

Fl.
Ob.
1st Cl.
2nd Cl.
Bs. Cl.
Bsn.
A. Sx.
T. Sx.
B. Sx.
1st Trp.
2nd Trp.
Hn.
1st Trb.
2nd Trb.
Euph.
(Bar.)
Tuba
Mallet
Perc.
Timp.
Perc. 1
Perc. 2
Perc. 3

49 50 51 52 53 54

chimneys on Christmas Eve to catch Santa Claus, but even if you did not see Santa Claus coming down, what would that prove?

Nobody sees Santa Claus, but that is no sign that there

and not see Santa Claus coming down, what would that prove?

Fl.

Ob.

1st Cl.

2nd Cl.

Bs. Cl.

Bsn.

A. Sx.

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

1st Trp.

2nd Trp.

Hn.

1st Trb.

2nd Trb.

Euph. (Bar.)

Tuba

Mallet Perc.

Timpani

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Perc. 3

div.

55

59

mf

55

59

div.

mf

mf

One player

mf

p f

mf

mf Triangle

Not valid for performance

is no Santa Claus. The most real things in the world are those that neither children nor men can see. Did you ever see fairies dancing on

Musical score page 61-65 for an orchestra. The score includes parts for Flute (Fl.), Oboe (Ob.), 1st Clarinet (1st Cl.), 2nd Clarinet (2nd Cl.), Bassoon (Bs. Cl.), Bassoon (Bsn.), Alto Saxophone (A. Sx.), Tenor Saxophone (T. Sx.), Baritone Saxophone (B. Sx.), 1st Trombone (1st Trp.), 2nd Trombone (2nd Trp.), Horn (Hn.), 1st Trombone (1st Trb.), 2nd Trombone (2nd Trb.), Euphonium (Bar.) (Euph. (Bar.)), Tuba, Mallet Percussion (Mallet Perc.), Timpani (Timp.), Percussion 1 (Perc. 1), Percussion 2 (Perc. 2), and Percussion 3 (Perc. 3). The score shows measures 61 through 65. Measure 61: Flute, Oboe, 1st Clarinet, 2nd Clarinet, Bassoon, Bassoon, Alto Saxophone, Tenor Saxophone, Baritone Saxophone, 1st Trombone, 2nd Trombone, Horn, 1st Trombone, 2nd Trombone, Euphonium, Tuba, Mallet Percussion, Timpani, Percussion 1, Percussion 2, Percussion 3. Dynamics: mf. Measure 62: Flute, Oboe, 1st Clarinet, 2nd Clarinet, Bassoon, Bassoon, Alto Saxophone, Tenor Saxophone, Baritone Saxophone, 1st Trombone, 2nd Trombone, Horn, 1st Trombone, 2nd Trombone, Euphonium, Tuba, Mallet Percussion, Timpani, Percussion 1, Percussion 2, Percussion 3. Dynamics: mf. Measure 63: Flute, Oboe, 1st Clarinet, 2nd Clarinet, Bassoon, Bassoon, Alto Saxophone, Tenor Saxophone, Baritone Saxophone, 1st Trombone, 2nd Trombone, Horn, 1st Trombone, 2nd Trombone, Euphonium, Tuba, Mallet Percussion, Timpani, Percussion 1, Percussion 2, Percussion 3. Dynamics: mf. Measure 64: Flute, Oboe, 1st Clarinet, 2nd Clarinet, Bassoon, Bassoon, Alto Saxophone, Tenor Saxophone, Baritone Saxophone, 1st Trombone, 2nd Trombone, Horn, 1st Trombone, 2nd Trombone, Euphonium, Tuba, Mallet Percussion, Timpani, Percussion 1, Percussion 2, Percussion 3. Dynamics: mf. Measure 65: Flute, Oboe, 1st Clarinet, 2nd Clarinet, Bassoon, Bassoon, Alto Saxophone, Tenor Saxophone, Baritone Saxophone, 1st Trombone, 2nd Trombone, Horn, 1st Trombone, 2nd Trombone, Euphonium, Tuba, Mallet Percussion, Timpani, Percussion 1, Percussion 2, Percussion 3. Dynamics: mf.

the lawn? Of course not, but that's no proof that they are not there. Nobody can conceive or imagine all the wonders there are unseen and

Fl.

Ob.

1st Cl.

2nd Cl.

Bs. Cl.

Bsn.

A. Sx.

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

1st Trp.

2nd Trp.

Hn.

1st Trb.

2nd Trb.

Euph.
(Bar.)

Tuba

Mallet
Perc.

Timp.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Perc. 3

69

Flute cue

tutti

Solo

Shaker

Crash Cymbals

Sleigh Bells

66 67 68 69 70

unseeable in the world.

#4. You tear apart the baby's rattle and see what makes the noise inside, but there is a

Fl.

Ob.

1st Cl.

2nd Cl.

Bs. Cl.

Bsn.

A. Sx.
Soli
mf

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

1st Trp.

2nd Trp.

Hn.
Soli
mf

1st Trb.

2nd Trb.

Euph. (Bar.)

Tuba
Tuba cue
Solo
mf

Mallet Perc.

Timp.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Perc. 3

veil covering the unseen world which not the strongest man, nor even the united strength of all the strongest men that ever lived could

79

77 78 79 80 81 82

tear apart. Only faith, poetry, love, romance, can push aside that curtain and view and picture the supernal beauty and glory beyond.

Fl.

Ob.

1st Cl.

2nd Cl.

Bs. Cl.

Bsn.

A. Sx.

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

1st Trp.

2nd Trp.

Hn.

1st Trb.

2nd Trb.

Euph.
(Bar.)

Tuba

Mallet
Perc.

Timp.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Perc. 3

83

to Chimes

S.D.

mf

p

pp

Sus. Cym.

pp

f

p

f

Is it all real? Ah, Virginia, in all this world there is nothing else real and abiding.

Fl.

Ob.

1st Cl.

2nd Cl.

Bs. Cl.

Bsn.

A. Sx.

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

1st Trp.

2nd Trp.

Hn.

1st Trb.

2nd Trb.

Euph. (Bar.)

Tuba

Mallet Perc.

Chimes >

Timp.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Perc. 3

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#5. No Santa Claus! Thank God! He lives and lives forever.

div.

Fl.

Ob.

1st Cl.

2nd Cl.

Bs. Cl.

Bsn.

A. Sx.

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

1st Trp.

2nd Trp.

Hn.

1st Trb.

2nd Trb.

Euph. (Bar.)

Tuba

Mallet Perc.

Timp.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Perc. 3

Fl.

Ob.

1st Cl.

2nd Cl.

Bs. Cl.

Bsn.

A. Sx.

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

1st Trp.

2nd Trp.

Hn.

1st Trb.

2nd Trb.

Euph.
(Bar.)

Tuba

Mallet
Perc.

Timp.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Perc. 3

98 *div.*

99

100

now, Virginia, nay, ten times ten thousand years from now, he will continue to make glad the heart of childhood.

molto rall.

Fl.
Ob.
1st Cl.
2nd Cl.
Bs. Cl.
Bsn.
A. Sx.
T. Sx.
B. Sx.
1st Trp.
2nd Trp.
Hn.
1st Trb.
2nd Trb.
Euph. (Bar.)
Tuba
Mallet Perc.
Timp.
Perc. 1
Perc. 2
Perc. 3

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