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# Sing the Ends of the Earth

for SATB choir and brass quintet

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## performance notes

Total duration ca. 3:00.

Score in C.

## programme note

One of the best and most enjoyable activities of the Christmas season is to gather together to sing carols. Fittingly, then, this short Christmas carol encourages everyone, indeed every living thing, to sing the joys of the season to every corner. The modal melody, irregular metres and unexpected harmonies all give a fresh modern dancing feel to the traditional choir and brass setting.

*Sing to the Ends of the Earth* won the 1988 Scarborough Amadeus Choir Christmas Carol Competition and was premiered by the choir, conducted by Lydia Adams, at Holy Trinity Armenian Church in Scarborough, Ontario, December 18, 1988.

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### *Sing to the Ends of the Earth*

Sing to the ends of the earth, all ye people  
On this glorious day.  
Sing to the ends of the earth and beyond,  
Out to the furthest reaches of the sky.

Sing, ye creatures of the seas.  
Sing, ye creatures of the land.  
Sing, ye creatures of the trees  
For the blessed day is at hand.

*Gloria in excelsis!*

Sing to the ends of the earth, all ye people  
On this glorious day.  
Sing to the ends of the earth and beyond,  
Out to the furthest reaches of the sky.

Sing to the sun in heaven above.  
Sing to the stars till break of morn.  
Ring in the dawn of peace and love  
For today the Saviour is born.

*Gloria in excelsis!*

Praise to the Son of God on High.  
Praise to the Child, O sing Him praise.  
Joyful music fill the sky  
This most holy of holy days.

*Gloria in excelsis!*

Sing to the ends of the earth, all ye people  
On this glorious day.  
Sing to the ends of the earth and beyond,  
Out to the furthest reaches of the sky.

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*Dancing, joyous* ♩ = ca. 112 (♩ = ♩ *sempre*)  
(2+3)

S  
A  
T  
B

I  
Ctpt  
II  
F hn  
trb  
tba  
pno

*mf*  
*mf*  
*mf*  
*mp*  
*mp*  
*for rehearsal only* *mf*

1 2 3 4 5

This musical score is for a vocal quartet and an instrumental ensemble. The vocal parts (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) are at the top, each with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat. The instrumental ensemble includes Trumpets I and II, Horns, Trombones, and Tubas, with various clefs and a key signature of one flat. The piano accompaniment is at the bottom, with a grand staff (treble and bass clefs) and a key signature of one flat. The score is divided into five measures, numbered 6 through 10 at the bottom. A large 'Rehearsal Copy' watermark is overlaid diagonally across the page.

Soprano (S)  
Alto (A)  
Tenor (T)  
Bass (B)

I tpt  
II tpt  
hn  
trb  
tba

6 7 8 9 10

A

(3+2)

S *f* Sing to the ends of the earth, all ye people on this glo - ri - ous

A *f* Sing to the ends of the earth, all ye people on this glo - ri - ous

T *f* Sing to the ends of the earth, all ye people on this glo - ri - ous

B *f* Sing to the ends of the earth, all ye people on this glo - ri - ous

I *ff*

tpt II *ff*

hn *ff*

trb *ff*

tba *ff*

*ff*

(2+3)

**B**

The musical score is arranged in a standard SATB format with four vocal staves (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) and five instrumental staves (Trumpet I, Trumpet II, Horn, Trombone, and Tuba). The key signature is one flat (B-flat) and the time signature is 2/4. The vocal parts have lyrics: "day." followed by "Sing to the ends of the earth and be-". The instrumental parts are marked with a dynamic of *mf* (mezzo-forte). The score is divided into measures 16 through 20.

16

17

18

19

20

(3+2)

S  
yond, out to the fur - thest rea - ches of the sky.

A  
yond, out to the fur - thest rea - ches of the sky.

T  
yond, out to the fur - thest rea - ches of the sky.

B  
yond, out to the fur - thest rea - ches of the sky.

I  
tpt  
II  
hn  
trb  
tba

*mf*

*mf*

*mf*

*mf*

*mf*

*mf*

*mf*

21

22

23

24

25

C

S *p* *div. p* Let us sing!

A *p* Let us

T *p* Let

B *p* *mp* Sing, ye crea-tures of the seas.

I *p*

II *p*

hn *p* *p*

trb *p*

tba *p* *p*

*p*

26

27

28

29

30

S *p* *>* *p* Let us sing!—

A *p* Sing! *p* Let us—

T *mp* *>* Sing, ye— crea - tures of the land.

B

I tpt

II

hn

trb

tba

31 32 33 34 35

D

*unis. mf*

S For the bles - sed day is at

A For the bles - sed day is at

T For the bles - sed day is at

B *mp* Sing, ye crea-tures of the trees, *mf* For the bles - sed day is at

I tpt

II

hn

trb

tba

36 37 38 39

(3+2)

**E** (2+3)

S  
hand. *f* *Glo - ri - a in ex - cel - sis! —* *mf sub.* Sing to the ends of the

A  
hand. *f* *Glo - ri - a in ex - cel - sis! —* *mf sub.* Sing

T  
hand. *f* *Glo - ri - a in ex - cel - sis! —* *mf sub.* Sing to the ends of the

B  
hand. *f* *Glo - ri - a in ex - cel - sis! —* *mf sub.* Sing to the ends of the

I *p* *mf* *f* *p*

II *p* *mf* *f* *p*

hn *mf* *mf* *f*

trb *mf* *mf* *p*

tba *mf* *mf* *f* *p sub.*

*mf* *f* *p sub.*

40

41

42

43

(3+2)

(2+3)

S  
earth, all ye peo ple on this glo - ri - ous day. Sing to the ends of the

A  
Sing

T  
earth, all ye peo ple on this glo - ri - ous day. Sing to the ends of the

B  
earth, Sing

I  
tpt

II

hn  
*p*

trb

tba

44 45 46 47 48

(3+2)

S  
 earth and be - yond, out to the fur - thest rea - ches of the sky.

A  
 out to the fur - thest rea - ches of the sky.

T  
 earth and be - yond, out to the sky.

B  
 out to the sky.

I  
 tpt

II

hn

trb

tba

49

50

51

52

53

F

Soprano (S), Alto (A), Tenor (T), Bass (B) vocal staves. The Alto part includes the lyrics: "Sing to the sun in heav'n a - bove." Dynamics include *pp* and *mp*.

Instrumental staves for Trumpets (I, II), Horns (hn), Trombones (trb), and Tubas (tba). Dynamics include *pp* and *p*.

Piano accompaniment staves. Dynamics include *p* and *pp*. The instruction "con ped. ad lib." is present.

G

S *mp* Sing to the stars till break of morn.

A *mp* Ring in the

T

B

I tpt

II

hn *p*

trb

tba

*p*

*mp* *mf* *mf* *mf* *mf* *pp* *mf* *pp*

S For to - day — the Sa - viour is born.

A dawn of peace and love, — For to - day — the Sa - viour is born.

T

B

I *mf*

II *mf*

hn *pp*

trb

tba

*mf* *pp*

65

66

67

68

S (3+2) *f* *sfp* *ff* **H** (2+3)

Glo - ri - a in ex - cel - sis!

A *f* *sfp* *ff*

Glo - ri - a in ex - cel - sis!

T *f* *sfp* *ff*

Glo - ri - a in ex - cel - sis!

B *f* *sfp* *ff*

Glo - ri - a in ex - cel - sis!

I *mf*

tpt

II

hn *p* *ff*

trb *p* *ff*

tba

*p* *ff* *mf*sub.

A musical score for a vocal and instrumental ensemble. The score is divided into two systems. The first system contains vocal staves for Soprano (S), Alto (A), Tenor (T), and Bass (B), and instrumental staves for Trumpet I (I), Trumpet II (II), Horn (hn), Trombone (trb), and Tuba (tba). The second system contains a grand staff for piano. The vocal staves are mostly empty, with only a few notes in the Soprano part. The instrumental staves contain complex rhythmic patterns, including eighth and sixteenth notes, and rests. The piano part features a steady eighth-note accompaniment in the right hand and a more active bass line in the left hand. The score is marked with a dynamic of *mf* (mezzo-forte) in several places. A large, diagonal watermark reading "Rehearsal Copy" is overlaid across the center of the page.

74

75

76

77

78

J

A musical score for a vocal ensemble and instrumental ensemble. The vocal parts (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) are mostly silent, indicated by rests. The instrumental parts include Trumpets I and II, Horns, Trombones, Tubas, and Piano. The piano part features a complex rhythmic accompaniment with many sixteenth and thirty-second notes. The score is divided into five measures, with measure numbers 79, 80, 81, 82, and 83 indicated at the bottom.

79

80

81

82

83

A musical score for a vocal and instrumental ensemble. The vocal parts (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) are shown in the top four staves, each with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat. The instrumental parts include Trumpets I and II, Horns, Trombones, and Tubas, all in the same key signature. A grand piano part is at the bottom. The score is divided into four measures, labeled 84, 85, 86, and 87 at the bottom. A large 'Personal Copy' watermark is overlaid diagonally across the page. The piano part features a complex harmonic structure with many sharps and naturals. The brass parts have dynamic markings of *mf* in measures 85 and 86.

84

85

86

87

**K**

S *mf*  
Praise to the Son of God on High.

A *mf*  
Praise to the Son of God on High.

T *mf*  
Praise to the Son of God on High.

B *mf*  
Praise to the Son of God on High.

I *mf*

tpt II

hn

trb

tba

*mf*

S  
A  
T  
B

Praise to the Child, O sing Him praise.  
Praise to the Child, sing Him praise.  
Sing Him praise!  
Praise to the Child, sing Him praise.

I  
II  
hn  
trb  
tba

93 94 95 96 97

L

S  
Joy - ful - mu - sic fill the sky - this most

A  
Joy - ful - mu - sic fill the sky - this most

T  
Joy - ful - mu - sic fill the sky - this most

B  
Joy - ful - mu - sic fill the sky - this most

I tpt  
II  
hn  
trb  
tba

98 99 100 101

S  
ho - ly of ho - ly days. *f* Glo - ri - a in ex - cel - sis! — (3+2)

A  
ho - ly of ho - ly days. *f* Glo - ri - a in ex - cel - sis! —

T  
ho - ly of ho - ly days. *f* Glo - ri - a in ex - cel - sis! —

B  
ho - ly of ho - ly days. *f* Glo - ri - a in ex - cel - sis! —

I  
*mf* *f*

II  
*mf* *f*

hn  
*mf* *f*

trb  
*mf* *f*

tba  
*mf* *f*

*mf* *f*

**M** (2+3)  
*pp sub. (lightly)*

(3+2)

S  
Sing to the ends of the earth, all ye people on this glo - ri - ous day.

A  
Sing to the ends of the earth, all ye people on this glo - ri - ous day.

T  
Sing to the ends of the earth, all ye people on this glo - ri - ous day.

B  
Sing to the ends of the earth, all ye people on this glo - ri - ous day.

I  
*pp*

II  
*pp*

hn  
*pp*

trb  
*pp*

tba

*pp*

107

108

109

110

111

(2+3) (3+2)

S  
A  
T  
B

Sing to the ends of the earth and be yond, out to the fur - thest rea - ches

I  
II  
hn  
trb  
tba

112 113 114 115

**N** (2+3) *mf*

S  
of the sky. Sing to the ends of the earth, all ye peo -

A  
of the sky. Sing to the ends

T  
of the sky. Sing to the ends of the

B  
of the sky. Sing to the ends of the

I  
tpt *mf*

II *mf*

hn *mf*

trb *mf*

tba *mf*

*mf*

116

117

118

119

(3+2)

(2+3)

S  
ple on this glo - ri - ous day. Sing to the ends of the

A  
of the earth, Sing to the

T  
earth, all ye peo - ple Sing, — ye peo - ple, sing, — sing!

B  
earth, on this glo - ri - ous day. Sing

I  
tpt

II

hn

trb

tba

120 121 122 123

(3+2)

S  
earth and be - yond, out to the fur - thest rea - ches of the sky.

A  
earth \_\_\_\_\_ and be - yond, to the fur - thest rea - ches of the sky.

T  
8 Sing to the ends of the earth \_\_\_\_\_ to the fur - thest rea - ches of the sky.

B  
\_\_\_\_\_ to the ends of the earth \_\_\_\_\_ to the fur - thest rea - ches of the sky.

I  
tpt

II

hn

trb

tba

\_\_\_\_\_

124

125

126

127



(2+2+3) *f* *f* (2+3)

S all ye peo - ple!

A all ye peo - ple!

T all ye peo - ple!

B all ye peo - ple!

I *f*

II *f*

hn *f*

trb *f*

tba *ff* *f*

*ff* *f*

133

134

135

136