

Elsa's Procession to the Cathedral

Richard Wagner

arranged by
Robert E. Foster, Jr.

1 Full Score	4 Trumpet 1
8 Flute	4 Trumpet 2
2 Oboe	4 F Horn
2 Bassoon	6 Trombone
4 Clarinet 1	2 Baritone B.C.
4 Clarinet 2	2 Baritone T.C.
2 Bass Clarinet	4 Tuba
2 Alto Saxophone 1	1 Timpani
2 Alto Saxophone 2	2 Snare Drum
2 Tenor Saxophone	1 Bass Drum
1 Baritone Saxophone	2 Sus. Cymbals, Crash Cymbals

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Program Notes

Elsa's Procession to the Cathedral is from the opera, "Lohengren". It is the music for a glorious procession of the beautiful bride, Elsa, as she walks to the cathedral to be united in marriage with Lohengren, mystic knight of the holy grail, who has come to deliver his people from the Hungarian invaders. With its medieval color and pageantry, it is one of the great moments in a great opera.

About the Composer

Richard Wagner was born in Leipzig, Germany in 1813. He experienced poverty, political persecution, and repeated failure until he started to enjoy success creating musical dramas. His influence in the field of opera, as well as music in general is enormous. He brought the art of operatic and dramatic composition to its zenith, as he gave the orchestra new importance and tonal colors, and developed a style of composition that emphasized drama. Today he is recognized as one of Germany's most popular and nationalistic classical composers.

About the Arranger

Robert E. Foster, Jr. was born in Gainesville, Florida in 1966. He received his Music Education degree from the University of Kansas while playing varsity football for the Jayhawk football team. He signed a free agent contract with the N.F.L.'s Atlanta Falcons in 1988. Following his football career, he went on to complete his MS degree in Music Education from the University of Illinois. He has also completed additional graduate work at the University of North Texas and the University of Kansas.

Mr. Foster has been a band director and has taught at the University of Maryland, Texas Christian University, Haskell Indian Nations University, and Tennessee Tech University. Additionally, he has taught for many years in the Eudora and DeSoto, Kansas middle schools and high schools. He is a highly successful composer and arranger of band music at all levels, including works for military bands and marching bands.

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Stately ♩ = 80

The musical score is arranged in two systems. The first system includes the following instruments: Flute/Oboe, Bassoon, Clarinet 1, Clarinet 2, Bass Clarinet, Alto Saxophone 1, Alto Saxophone 2, Tenor Saxophone, and Baritone Saxophone. The second system includes: Trumpet 1, Trumpet 2, F Horn, Trombone/Baritone, Tuba, Timpani (labeled B \flat and E \flat), Snare Drum, Bass Drum, and Suspended Cymbal/Crash Cymbals. The score is in 4/4 time with a tempo of 80 beats per minute. The key signature has two flats (B \flat and E \flat). The woodwind parts feature melodic lines with dynamics such as *p* (piano). The brass and percussion parts are mostly rests, indicating a supporting role in this section.

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rit. **9** A tempo (♩ = 80)

Fl. Ob. *p*

Bsn. *p*

Cl. 1 *p*

Cl. 2 *p*

B. Cl. *p*

A. Sx. 1 *p*

A. Sx. 2 *p*

T. Sx. *p*

B. Sx. *p*

rit. **9** A tempo (♩ = 80)

Tpt. 1 *p*

Tpt. 2 *p*

F Hn. *p*

Tbn. Bar. *p*

Tba. *p*

Timp. *p*

S.D.

B.D.

Cyms. *p*

8 9 10 11 12 13 14

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molto rit.

17 A tempo (♩ = 80)

Fl. Ob. *f* *mp*

Bsn. *f* *mp*

Cl. 1 *f* *mp*

Cl. 2 *f* *mp*

B. Cl. *f* *mp*

A. Sx. 1 *f* *mp*

A. Sx. 2 *f* *mp*

T. Sx. *f* *mp*

B. Sx. *f* *mp*

molto rit. **17 A tempo (♩ = 80)**

Tpt. 1 *f* *mp*

Tpt. 2 *f* *mp*

F. Hn. *f* *mp*

Tbn. Bar. *f* *mp*

Tba. *f* *mp*

Timp. *mp*

S.D. *mp*

B.D. *mp*

Cyms. *mf*

15 16 17 18 19 20 21

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Fl. Ob. *mf* *f*

Bsn. *mf* *f*

Cl. 1 *mf* *f*

Cl. 2 *mf* *f*

B. Cl. *mf* *f*

A. Sax. 1 *mf* *f*

A. Sax. 2 *mf* *f*

T. Sax. *mf* *f*

B. Sax. *mf* *f*

Tpt. 1 *mf* *f*

Tpt. 2 *mf* *f*

F. Hn. *mf* *f*

Tbn. Bar. *mf* *f*

Tba. *mf* *f*

Timp.

S.D.

B.D.

Cyms.

29

30

31

32

33

34

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37

Fl. Ob.

Bsn.

Cl. 1

Cl. 2

B. Cl.

A. Sx. 1

A. Sx. 2

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

Tpt. 1

Tpt. 2

F. Hn.

Tbn. Bar.

Tba.

Timp.

S.D.

B.D.

Cyms.

mp

ff

f

35 36 37 38 39 40

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41 44

Fl. Ob. *ff* *p* *pp* *ff*

Bsn. *ff* *p* *ff*

Cl. 1 *ff* *p* *pp* *ff*

Cl. 2 *ff* *p* *pp* *ff*

B. Cl. *ff* *p* *pp* *ff*

A. Sx. 1 *ff* *p* *pp* *ff*

A. Sx. 2 *ff* *p* *pp* *ff*

T. Sx. *ff* *p* *pp* *ff*

B. Sx. *ff* *p* *pp* *ff*

Tpt. 1 *ff* *p* *pp* *ff*

Tpt. 2 *ff* *p* *pp* *ff*

F Hn. *ff* *p* *pp* *ff*

Tbn. Bar. *ff* *p* *ff*

Tba. *ff* *p* *ff*

Timp. *ff* *p* *pp* *ff*

S.D. *ff* *p* *pp* *ff*

B.D. *ff* *p*

Cyms. *ff*

41 42 43 44 45 46 47

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50 *molto rall.*

Fl. Ob. *p* *ff*

Bsn. *ff*

Cl. 1 *p* *ff*

Cl. 2 *p* *ff*

B. Cl. *ff*

A. Sx. 1 *p* *ff*

A. Sx. 2 *p* *ff*

T. Sx. *p* *ff*

B. Sx. *ff*

50 *ff* *molto rall.*

Tpt. 1 *p* *ff*

Tpt. 2 *p* *ff*

F. Hn. *ff*

Tbn. Bar. *ff*

Tba. *ff*

Timp. *p* *ff* Solo

S.D. *p* *ff*

B.D. *ff*

Cyms. *ff*

48 49 50 51 52 53