Marriage Of Figaro

(Overture)

GRADE 2+ • DURATION 2:15

by Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart (1756 - 1791)

arranged by Deborah Baker Monday

INSTRUMENTATION

- 1 Full Score
- 8 1st Violin
- 8 2nd Violin
- 5 Viola
- 5 Cello
- 5 Bass

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To The Director

The Overture from Marriage Of Figaro is a favorite in the music world, played often by full orchestras, and has even been transcribed for concert band. The furiously fast unison passages in the opening are challenging for players to perform, but create excitement as well as surprise and humor in the ensuing tonal changes. There are several "tutti" sections which are joyous examples of Mozart's work and are familiar to those who have heard the overture.

In this arrangement, Monday has given the string orchestra the task of providing the contrast and variety from the original. The opening eighth note slurred run is assigned to different sections, reducing the difficulty yet keeping the flow to achieve one continuous phrase. Even though there is a slur on a group of 5 notes that sounds difficult, it is quite easy to execute because there is nothing that precedes or follows the pattern, and the notes are only a step apart. There is also time to set the bow and fingers for each pattern. Technically the notes of the remaining part of the piece comprise a G Major scale. The register and rhythmic values provide the variety.

The bowing style for the repeated notes (which occurs in most parts at one time or another) could be "off the string" if the students are ready. The use of this spiccato (off the string) bowing will enhance the style of the piece. The other sections of the piece will work just fine "on the string".

REPRODUCTION PROHIBITED

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Currently teaching in the Logan City School District, she is a cello/bass specialist working with 4th-8th grade students in seven schools. An active Bass performer and private teacher, she has served as adjunct Bass instructor at Utah State University and has been on the faculty of the ASTA with NSOA "Bass Fest" for three years. She co-authored the "Strings Extraordinaire" collection and her works have been published with a number of leading educational music publishers. In 1999 Deborah was named the Utah ASTA with NSOA Elementary Teacher Of The Year.

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