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# FJH DEVELOPING STRINGS

Grade 2

# THREE SUSATO DANCES

- I. LA MORISQUE
- II. ALLEMANDE
- III. LES QUARTE BRANLES

TIELMAN SUSATO

*Arranged by*

William Owens

## Instrumentation

- 1 - Conductor's Full Score
- 8 - Violin 1
- 8 - Violin 2
- 5 - Violin 3 (Viola T.C.)
- 5 - Viola
- 5 - Violoncello
- 5 - Double Bass
- 1 - Piano
- 2 - Percussion (Opt.)  
Tenor Drum  
Tambourine  
Triangle

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## The Arranger

William Owens (b. 1963) is a native of Gary, Indiana and a 1985 graduate of VanderCook College of Music in Chicago. A seasoned music educator, Mr. Owens is active as a composer, conductor and clinician throughout the United States and Canada. Mr. Owens has written nearly 200 commissioned and published works for concert band and string orchestra. His music has been programmed at prestigious venues such as the Midwest Clinic and appears on required music lists both nationally and abroad. Principal commissions include those from the California Band Directors Association, the Chicago Public Schools Bureau of Cultural Arts, the South Plains College Dept. of Fine Arts and the Texas University Interscholastic League. He is a consistent winner of the ASCAPlus award and a two-time recipient of the Forrest L. Buchtel Citation for Excellence in Composition. Professional memberships include ASCAP, the American Composers Forum and the Texas MEA. William resides in Fort Worth, TX with his wife, Georgia.

## Program Notes

Tielman Susato (c. 1510–1570) was a Renaissance composer, instrumentalist and music publisher in Antwerp, Belgium. A prolific musician, many of his compositions are still recorded and performed today. Among his most popular works is a book of dance music produced in 1551, composed of pieces in a simple but artistic style. *La Moresque*, the first of three songs in this adaptation for string orchestra, is the name of a dance step or “jump.” *Allemande* is a dance of a more serious nature performed in a ceremonious manner. The final dance *Les Quartes Branles* is a lively 16th century French dance style performed by couples either in a line or a circle.

## Rehearsal Suggestions

A meticulous approach to style and dynamics is vital for a satisfying performance. While the percussion parts will add a touch of authenticity, the music is fully functional without them.

*La Morisque* may be played in cut-time or a “fast-four” with a grand, marcato quality. The staccato section at measure 17 must have a delicate, detached feel.

*Allemande* has a broad and sonorous approach.

*Les Quartes Branles* is rather animated with a brisk “walking” tempo.

## THREE SUSATO DANCES

## I. La Morisque

TIELMAN SUSATO  
(c. 1510–1570)  
Arranged by  
WILLIAM OWENS  
(ASCAP)

Stately ( $\text{J} = 80\text{--}88$ )

Violin 1

Violin 2

Violin 3  
(Viola T.C.)

Viola

Violoncello

Double Bass

Piano

Percussion  
(Tenor Drum,  
Tambourine,  
Triangle)

Vln. 1

Vln. 2

Vln. 3  
(Vla. T.C.)

Vla.

Vcl.

D.B.

Piano

Perc.



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Musical score page 4 featuring seven staves for Vln. 1, Vln. 2, Vln. 3 (Vla. T.C.), Vla., Vcl., D.B., and Piano/Perc. The score consists of two systems of music. The first system (measures 11-16) includes dynamic markings *mf* at the end of measure 16. The second system (measures 17-22) begins with a dynamic *f*. Measures 17-22 are heavily redacted with a large diagonal watermark reading "Preview Use Requires Purchase".



Musical score page 5 featuring seven staves for Vln. 1, Vln. 2, Vln. 3 (Vla. T.C.), Vla., Vcl., D.B., and Piano/Perc. The score consists of two systems of music. The first system (measures 17-22) includes dynamic markings *f* at the beginning and *mf* at the end of measure 22. The second system (measures 23-28) begins with a dynamic *f*. Measures 23-28 are heavily redacted with a large diagonal watermark reading "Preview Use Requires Purchase".

25

Vln. 1

Vln. 2

Vln. 3  
(Vla. T.C.)

Vla.

Vcl.

D.B.

Piano

Perc.

23 24 25 *p* 26 27 28

Tri.

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33

Vln. 1

Vln. 2

Vln. 3  
(Vla. T.C.)

Vla.

Vcl.

D.B.

Piano

Perc.

29 30 31 Tamb. *p* 32 *f* 33 *f* play 34 *f* T.D.

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Musical score page 6, measures 35-39. The score includes parts for Vln. 1, Vln. 2, Vln. 3 (Vla. T.C.), Vla., Vcl., D.B., Piano, and Perc.

Measure 35: Piano dynamic **p**.  
 Measure 36: Vln. 1, Vln. 2, Vln. 3, Vla., Vcl., D.B., Perc.  
 Measure 37: Vln. 1, Vln. 2, Vln. 3, Vla., Vcl., D.B., Perc.  
 Measure 38: Vln. 1, Vln. 2, Vln. 3, Vla., Vcl., D.B., Perc.  
 Measure 39: Vln. 1, Vln. 2, Vln. 3, Vla., Vcl., D.B., Piano, Perc.

Musical score page 6, measures 40-44. The score includes parts for Vln. 1, Vln. 2, Vln. 3 (Vla. T.C.), Vla., Vcl., D.B., Piano, and Perc.

Measure 40: Vln. 1, Vln. 2, Vln. 3, Vla., Vcl., D.B., Perc.  
 Measure 41: Vln. 1, Vln. 2, Vln. 3, Vla., Vcl., D.B., Perc. (Note 1 highlighted with a red box).  
 Measure 42: Vln. 1, Vln. 2, Vln. 3, Vla., Vcl., D.B., Perc.  
 Measure 43: Vln. 1, Vln. 2, Vln. 3, Vla., Vcl., D.B., Perc.  
 Measure 44: Vln. 1, Vln. 2, Vln. 3, Vla., Vcl., D.B., Perc.

Vln. 1

Vln. 2

Vln. 3 (Vla. T.C.)

Vla.

Vcl.

D.B.

Piano

Perc.

45 46 47 48 49

## II. Allemande

Moderately ( $\text{♩} = 108-116$ )

Vln. 1

Vln. 2

Vln. 3 (Vla. T.C.)

Vla.

Vcl.

D.B.

Piano

Perc.

4 0

p

2 3 4 5

Tri.

p

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7

Vln. 1

Vln. 2

Vln. 3 (Vla. T.C.)

Vla.

Vcl.

D.B.

Piano

Perc.

Tamb. *mf*

6                            8                            9                            10

13

Vln. 1

Vln. 2

Vln. 3 (Vla. T.C.)

Vla.

Vcl.

D.B.

Piano

Perc.

Vln. 1 *p*

Vcl. *p*

11                            12                            13                            14                            15

Musical score page 9, measures 16 to 20. The score includes parts for Vln. 1, Vln. 2, Vln. 3 (Vla. T.C.), Vla., Vcl., D.B., Piano, and Perc. The key signature is one sharp. Measure 16: Vln. 1, Vln. 2, Vln. 3, Vla., Vcl., D.B. play eighth notes. Vln. 1 has dynamics *mf*. Measure 17: Vln. 1, Vln. 2, Vln. 3, Vla., Vcl., D.B. play eighth notes. Vln. 1 has dynamics *mf*. Measure 18: Vln. 1, Vln. 2, Vln. 3, Vla., Vcl., D.B. play eighth notes. Vln. 1 has dynamics *mf*. Measure 19: Vln. 1, Vln. 2, Vln. 3, Vla., Vcl., D.B. play eighth notes. Vln. 1 has dynamics *mf*. Measure 20: Vln. 1, Vln. 2, Vln. 3, Vla., Vcl., D.B. play eighth notes. Vln. 1 has dynamics *mf*.

Musical score page 9, measures 21 to 26. The score includes parts for Vln. 1, Vln. 2, Vln. 3 (Vla. T.C.), Vla., Vcl., D.B., Piano, and Perc. The key signature is one sharp. Measure 21: Vln. 1, Vln. 2, Vln. 3, Vla., Vcl., D.B. play eighth notes. Vln. 1 has dynamics *mp*. Measure 22: Vln. 1, Vln. 2, Vln. 3, Vla., Vcl., D.B. play eighth notes. Vln. 1 has dynamics *mp*. Measure 23: Vln. 1, Vln. 2, Vln. 3, Vla., Vcl., D.B. play eighth notes. Vln. 1 has dynamics *mp*. Measure 24: Vln. 1, Vln. 2, Vln. 3, Vla., Vcl., D.B. play eighth notes. Vln. 1 has dynamics *mp*. Measure 25: Vln. 1, Vln. 2, Vln. 3, Vla., Vcl., D.B. play eighth notes. Vln. 1 has dynamics *mp*. Measure 26: Vln. 1, Vln. 2, Vln. 3, Vla., Vcl., D.B. play eighth notes. Vln. 1 has dynamics *mp*.

**27**

Vln. 1  
Vln. 2  
Vln. 3 (Vla. T.C.)  
Vla.  
Vcl.  
D.B.  
Piano  
Perc.

*molto rit.*

27 28 29 30 31 32

## III. Les Quatre Branles

Lively ( $\text{♩} = 108-120$ )

**5**

Vln. 1  
Vln. 2  
Vln. 3 (Vla. T.C.)  
Vla.  
Vcl.  
D.B.  
Piano  
Perc.

Tri.

2 3 4 T.D. 5

9

Vln. 1

Vln. 2

Vln. 3  
(Vla. T.C.)

Vla.

Vcl.

D.B.

Piano

Perc.

6 7 8 9 10

15

Vln. 1

Vln. 2

Vln. 3  
(Vla. T.C.)

Vla.

Vcl.

D.B.

Piano

Perc.

11 12 13 14 15 16

4

17 18 19 20 21

**21**

Vln. 1  
Vln. 2  
Vln. 3 (Vla. T.C.)  
Vla.  
Vcl.  
D.B.  
Piano  
Perc.

1.

2. **molto rit.**

22 23 24 25 26

Vln. 1  
Vln. 2  
Vln. 3 (Vla. T.C.)  
Vla.  
Vcl.  
D.B.  
Piano  
Perc.