



# Jaffa Gate Overture

## (Entrance to the Old City)

LAURA ESTES

### Instrumentation

Full Score	1
Flute	8
Oboe (Opt. Flute 2)	2
B♭ Clarinet 1	6
B♭ Clarinet 2	6
Bass Clarinet	2
Bassoon	2
Alto Saxophone	4
Tenor Saxophone	2
Baritone Saxophone	2
B♭ Trumpet 1	6
B♭ Trumpet 2	6
Horn in F	4
Trombone	4
Euphonium	2
Baritone T.C.	2
Tuba	4
Timpani	2
Mallets	3
Bells, Chimes, Claves	
Percussion 1	3
Snare Drum, Bass Drum, Shaker	
Percussion 2	7
Crash Cymbals, Finger Cymbals, Claves, Triangle, Suspended Cymbal, Tambourine, 2 Tom-toms	



## ABOUT THE COMPOSER



Laura Estes taught middle and high school band for 36 years before retiring in 2018 from the Cobb County School System (GA). Upon retirement she began composing, and her first piece *Kvetchers (Surprises in Controversial Time)* was accepted for publication in Excelcia's 2020 catalog. In addition to her music being performed at The Midwest Clinic in Chicago, Estes' concert works have been selected for the J.W. Pepper Editor's Choice List as well as being named Five Star Features from Stanton's Sheet Music. With her composition *Walking on Air*, Estes was named the winner of the 2021 Women Band Directors International (WBDI) Composition Competition.

Throughout Estes' career, her bands consistently earned Superior ratings at performance evaluations, and she was awarded the National Band Association's Citation of Excellence as her middle and high school bands were selected to perform at clinics in the Southeast.

A South Florida native, Estes earned her Bachelor's Degree in Music Education from The Florida State University and her Master's Degree in Music Education from Georgia State University. In addition to composing, Estes continues to serve as an adjudicator, guest conductor, clinician, and mentor. Estes and her husband Gil reside in Marietta, GA, and have 5 amazing children: Adrienne, April, Eric, Daniel, and Michelle.

### JAFFA GATE OVERTURE (ENTRANCE TO THE OLD CITY)

A lifelong dream came true in the Spring of 2023 with a visit to the beautiful land of Israel, and one of the highlights was exploring the Old City of Jerusalem. Entering the Old City took my breath away as I crossed under the Jaffa Gate. Named after the city of Jaffa and located just off Jaffa Road, this 16th century gate on the City's western side has served as the main pedestrian entrance for hundreds of years. Built out of pale Jerusalem stone, the gate's distinctive L-shape was a characteristic feature of Medieval construction, designed to impede a charging army. Within the Old City walls the sights, sounds, tastes, and music were mesmerizing, and *Jaffa Gate Overture: Entrance to the Old City* was born.

*Jaffa Gate Overture* begins with a heroic introduction that quickly shifts into high gear as the low tenor voices state the main theme. Written primarily in the key of B♭ mixolydian with light syncopation throughout, the overall feel is mysterious and exotic, just like the Old City. Every instrument section is featured prominently, and the percussionists will have lots of fun creating the 'day and night' ambiance of the Old City with Finger Cymbals, Claves, Tambourine, and Tom-toms.

I wish everyone the opportunity to visit Israel and experience entering the Old City of Jerusalem through the Jaffa Gate. I hope you enjoy playing *Jaffa Gate Overture* as much as I enjoyed writing it.

### DEDICATION

*Jaffa Gate Overture* is dedicated to the congregants and clergy of Temple Kol Emeth of Marietta, Georgia, to commemorate the 40th anniversary of its founding.



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## Full Score

# Jaffa Gate Overture

# Entrance to the Old City

LAURA ESTES  
ASCAP

3

## **Jaffa Gate Overture - Full Score**

**5 Allegro**  $\text{♩} = 142$

**9**

Fl.

Ob.

B♭ Cl. 1

B♭ Cl. 2

B. Cl.

Bsn.

A. Sax.

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

**5 Allegro**  $\text{♩} = 142$

**9**

B♭ Tpt. 1

B♭ Tpt. 2

Hn.

Tbn.

Euph.

Tuba

Timp.

Mal.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

## Jaffa Gate Overture - Full Score

5

Fl.

Ob.

Bb Cl. 1

Bb Cl. 2

B. Cl.

Bsn.

A. Sax.

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

Bb Tpt. 1

Bb Tpt. 2

Hn.

Tbn.

Euph.

Tuba

Timp.

Mal.

Perc. 1

Finger Cymbals

Perc. 2

Claves

mp

cresc.

mf

mf

cresc.

mp

10

11

12

13

14

## Jaffa Gate Overture - Full Score

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7

**21**

Fl.                              *mf* cresc.

Ob.                              *mf* cresc.

B♭ Cl. 1                      *mf*

B♭ Cl. 2                      *mf*

B. Cl.                              *mp*

Bsn.                              *mp* lightly

A. Sax.                              *mf* cresc.

T. Sax.                              *mf* cresc.

B. Sax.                              *mp*

**21**

B♭ Tpt. 1                      *mf*

B♭ Tpt. 2                              *mf*

Hn.                                      *mf* cresc.

Tbn.                                      *mp* lightly

Euph.                                      *mp* lightly

Tuba                                      *mp*

Tim.                                      *mp*

Mal.                                      *mf* cresc.

Perc. 1                                      *mp*

Tambourine

Perc. 2                                      *mp*

21                                      22                                      23                                      24                                      25

## Jaffa Gate Overture - Full Score

29

## Jaffa Gate Overture - Full Score

9

Fl.

Ob.

B♭ Cl. 1

B♭ Cl. 2

B. Cl.

Bsn.

A. Sax.

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

B♭ Tpt. 1

B♭ Tpt. 2

Hn.

Tbn.

Euph.

Tuba

Timp.

Mal.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

**37** **Feel of 2**

Fl.

Ob.

B♭ Cl. 1

B♭ Cl. 2

B. Cl.

Bsn.

A. Sax.

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

B♭ Tpt. 1

B♭ Tpt. 2

Hn.

Tbn.

Euph.

Tuba

Tim.

Mal.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

*cresc.*

*cresc.*

*mf legato cresc.*

*mf legato cresc.*

*legato*

*legato*

*cresc.*

*cresc.*

*cresc.*

*cresc.*

*cresc.*

*cresc.*

*cresc.*

*mp legato*

*Solo or Soli*

*mp legato*

*Solo or Soli*

*mp legato*

*Claves*

*mp*

*Cue: Claves*

*mp*

*Sus. Cym. on edge with mallet shaft*

*mf*

*Snare Drum*

*mf*

*cresc.*

*mp* Fgr. Cym.

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11

## Jaffa Gate Overture - Full Score

51

Fl.

Ob.

B♭ Cl. 1

B♭ Cl. 2

B. Cl.

Bsn.

A. Sax.

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

B♭ Tpt. 1

B♭ Tpt. 2

Hn.

Tbn.

Euph.

Tuba

Timp.

Mal.

Perc. 1

Sus. Cym.:yarn

Cr. Cym.

Perc. 2

*Preview Only*

## Jaffa Gate Overture - Full Score

13

rit.

58 Andante  $\text{♩} = 88$

The musical score page 58 consists of two systems of music. The first system starts with a dynamic of *rit.* and includes parts for Flute, Oboe, Bassoon, Bass Clarinet 1, Bass Clarinet 2, Bassoon, Alto Saxophone, Tenor Saxophone, Baritone Saxophone, Bass Trombone 1, Bass Trombone 2, Horn, Trombone, Euphonium, Tuba, Timpani, Marimba, and Percussion 1 (Finger Cymbals). The second system begins with a dynamic of *mf* and includes parts for Bass Trombone 2, Marimba, and Percussion 2. The score features various performance instructions such as *legato*, *decresc.*, and *mp*. Large, bold numbers '3' and '4' are printed vertically along the right margin of the score.

## Jaffa Gate Overture - Full Score

Cue: Oboe

62

Fl.

Ob.

B♭ Cl. 1

B♭ Cl. 2

B. Cl.

Bsn.

A. Sax.

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

B♭ Tpt. 1

B♭ Tpt. 2

Hn.

Tbn.

Euph.

Tuba

Tim.

Mal.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

*mf* legato espress.

*mf* legato espress.

*mf* legato espress.

*mf* legato espress.

Keep sustaining - no break!

Stagger Breathing

*mp* legato espress.

Keep sustaining - no break!

*mp* legato espress.

*mp* legato espress.

*mp* legato espress.

*mp* legato espress.

*mp* espress.

*mf* espress.

*mf*

*cresc.*

Triangle

*mp*

## Jaffa Gate Overture - Full Score

15

## Jaffa Gate Overture - Full Score

## Jaffa Gate Overture - Full Score

17

*a tempo*      84

Fl.

Ob.

B. Cl. 1

B. Cl. 2

B. Cl.

Bsn.

A. Sax.

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

B♭ Tpt. 1

B♭ Tpt. 2

Hn.

Tbn.

Euph.

Tuba

Tim.

Mal.

Perc. 1

Sus. Cym. on edge with yarn

Perc. 2

Cr. Cym.

*a tempo*      84

Sus. Cym. on bell with mallet shaft

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81                    82                    83                    84                    85                    86                    87

## Jaffa Gate Overture - Full Score

*rit.*

This musical score page contains 18 staves of music for a full orchestra. The instruments listed on the left are Flute (Fl.), Oboe (Ob.), Bassoon (Bsn.), Bass Clarinet 1 (Bb Cl. 1), Bass Clarinet 2 (Bb Cl. 2), Bassoon (B. Cl.), Bassoon (Bsn.), Alto Saxophone (A. Sax.), Tenor Saxophone (T. Sax.), Baritone Saxophone (B. Sax.), Bass Trombone 1 (Bb Tpt. 1), Bass Trombone 2 (Bb Tpt. 2), Horn (Hn.), Trombone (Tbn.), Euphonium (Euph.), Tuba, Timpani (Timp.), Marimba (Mal.), Percussion 1 (Perc. 1), and Percussion 2 (Perc. 2). The music consists of two systems of measures. The first system starts with a dynamic of *f* and includes measure numbers 88 through 93. The second system begins with a dynamic of *mf* and includes measure numbers 94 through 99. Measures 88-93 feature sustained notes and rhythmic patterns primarily consisting of eighth and sixteenth notes. Measures 94-99 introduce more complex patterns, including eighth-note chords and sixteenth-note figures. The score is annotated with dynamics such as *f*, *mf*, *p*, and *mp*, and includes performance instructions like *rit.* (ritardando) and *Fgr. Cym.* (Finger Cymbals).

## Jaffa Gate Overture - Full Score

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## Jaffa Gate Overture - Full Score

Musical score for Jaffa Gate Overture, page 21, showing parts for Flute, Oboe, Clarinets 1 & 2, Bassoon, Alto Saxophone, Tenor Saxophone, Bass Saxophone, Trombones 1 & 2, Horn, Tuba, Timpani, Mallet Percussion, and Snare Drum.

The score consists of 18 staves, each representing a different instrument or section. The instruments listed on the left are: Fl., Ob., B♭ Cl. 1, B♭ Cl. 2, B. Cl., Bsn., A. Sax., T. Sax., B. Sax., B♭ Tpt. 1, B♭ Tpt. 2, Hn., Tbn., Euph., Tuba, Timp., Mal., Perc. 1, and Perc. 2.

Key signatures and time signatures change throughout the score. Measure numbers 104, 105, 106, 107, and 108 are indicated at the bottom of the page. Dynamic markings such as *mf*, *cresc.*, and *f* are present in various measures.

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## Jaffa Gate Overture - Full Score

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## Jaffa Gate Overture - Full Score

**133** Maestoso ♩ = 112

## Jaffa Gate Overture - Full Score

27

*molto rit.*

137 Allegro  $\text{♩} = 142$

Fl.

Ob.

B♭ Cl. 1

B♭ Cl. 2

B. Cl.

Bsn.

A. Sax.

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

B♭ Tpt. 1

B♭ Tpt. 2

Hn.

Tbn.

Euph.

Tuba

Timp.

Chm.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

## Jaffa Gate Overture - Full Score

Fl.

Ob.

B♭ Cl. 1

B♭ Cl. 2

B. Cl.

Bsn.

A. Sax.

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

B♭ Tpt. 1

B♭ Tpt. 2

Hn.

Tbn.

Euph.

Tuba

Timp.

Chm.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Preview Only

140      141      142      143      144