

full score

Gwyneth Walker

Journey on the Open Road

*for SATB Chorus,
Soprano, Tenor and Baritone Soloists,
Two Pianos and Percussion*

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Colchester, Vermont
Dr. Dawn O. Willis, Assistant Conductor*

Duration: 12' 30"

Program notes

Journey on the Open Road is based on the familiar Walt Whitman poem, "Song of the Open Road." The message is timeless, celebratory and powerful – the joy of setting forth on life's journey. "Afoot and light-hearted, I travel the open road."

The original poem is quite lengthy. Therefore, in creating this new setting, the composer has edited and focused the text, shaping it into seven distinct sections which alternate between chorus and soloists. In general, the role of the soloists is one of personal expression and reflection. "You road I enter upon and look around, I think you are filled with unseen life. You are so dear to me." In contrast, the chorus is the voice of Everyman/Everywoman as they celebrate group sentiments such as "From this hour – freedom!"

The soloists and chorus continue in their alternating sections and then begin to merge, to travel together. The chorus adopts and comments upon phrases introduced by the soloists. "The soul travels, ever alive, ever forward." Chorus and soloists join together for the final statement of "Arise! Let us go! Shall our lives be a journey on the open road!"

The music undertakes a journey of its own, moving along a "highway of shifting tonalities," exploring many back roads of diverse textures. Ultimately, the voyage arrives at a heightened version of the opening section, coming full circle, but infused with energy from the adventure.

The composer selected the Whitman text for this composition due to the evocative and uplifting sentiments expressed in the poetry. Closing lines such as "my friend and companion, the road lies before us..." are a powerful reminder that life is filled with possibilities, both for the individual and for the joining together of souls sharing the journey. The musical interpretation is thus both exploratory and celebratory.

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*for Soprano, Tenor, and Baritone Solo, SATB Chorus (divisi),
Two Pianos, and Percussion*

Walt Whitman (1819-1892)

Gwyneth Walker

1. Afoot and Light-hearted (the journey begins)

With joy and energy $\text{d} = 80$

The musical score consists of six staves. The top four staves are for vocal parts: Solo Soprano (treble clef), Solo Tenor (treble clef), Solo Baritone (bass clef), and Chorus (Soprano Alto, Tenor Bass) (treble and bass clefs). The bottom two staves are for percussion: Percussion 1 (Crash Cymbals, Chimes, Glockenspiel) and Percussion 2 (Timpani, Slapstick). The vocal parts sing eighth-note patterns, while the percussion parts provide rhythmic support with eighth-note patterns.

With joy and energy $\text{d} = 80$

The musical score consists of two staves for pianos. Piano I (top staff) and Piano II (bottom staff) play eighth-note chords in unison. The piano parts are marked with dynamic p (piano). The piano II staff includes a note "with pedal".

2

7 (Tom-Toms)

Perc. 4

mp

I

II

mp

13

Perc. 3

mf

Triangle

Perc. 4

I

II

mf

p

19 (Tri.)

Perc. 3

I

II

mf

p

8va-loco

26

Perc. 3 (Tri.) (mf)

Perc. 4 (Tom-Toms) *mf*

I

II



A

33

p unnoticed

S A

T B

Hmm

p unnoticed

Hmm

Perc. 3

Perc. 4 *f*

I

II

40

S A — A - foot and light - - heart - - - ed, I
T B — A - foot and light - - heart - - - ed, I

Perc. 4

Perc. 5 Tambourine *p*

I

II



47

S A trav - el the o - pen road,

T B trav - el the o - pen road,

(Tom-Toms)

Perc. 4

Perc. 5 *mf* *p*

I

II

53

T B

+ Bongo

Perc. 4

Perc. 5 *f*

B *unis. *mf**

health - y, free, the

I

II (8^{va}) *loco*

59

S A

T B

world be - fore me, _____

unis.

Perc. 1 *Glockenspiel*

Perc. 4

mf

I

II *mf*

mf

mf

mf

mf

64

S A path be - fore me, _____

T B lead - ing wher - ev - er I

Perc. 1 (Glock.) (mf)

Perc. 4 (Tom-Toms) (mf)

I (rit.) 71 f [C] slightly slower (f) I trav - el

A choose. f I trav - el

T B choose. f I trav - el

Suspended Cymbal

Perc. 3 p f

Perc. 4 f

I (rit.) [C] slightly slower f

II 8va- f > f > f > f > f > f > f > f loco

78

accel.

S the o - - - open road.

T the o - - - open road.

Perc. 3 Tri.
(Tom-Toms)

Perc. 4 *mf* *f*

accel.

I Leo. *a tempo*

II (Leo.) *8va*

85

rit.

T I do not ask good - for - tune. I my - self

B I do not ask good - for - tune. I my - self

Perc. 3 (Bongo)

Perc. 4 *p*

D Slower $\text{♩} = 132$

I rit. *p* *for rehearsal only*

II (8va) loco

92

Soprano (S) voice part:

I post - pone no more, ques - tion no more, need noth - ing
I post - pone no more, ques - tion no more, need noth - ing
am good for - tune; more, more,
am good for - tune; more, more,

Percussion 4 (Perc. 4) voice part:

Low Tom (p)

(rehearsal) I voice part:

(X) (X) (X) (X)

97

Soprano (S) voice part:

strong and con - tent, I trav - el the o - pen
strong and con - tent, I trav - el the o - pen
Ah, strong and con - tent, I trav - el the o - pen
Ah, strong and con - tent, I trav - el the o - pen

Percussion 4 (Perc. 4) voice part:

f

Percussion 5 (Perc. 5) voice part:

Tamb. (p)

I voice part:

Play (mf) f (unis.) (unis.) (p) (accel.)

E 102 *a tempo (d. = 80)*

S road.

A

T road.

B

(Tom-Toms and Bongo)

Perc. 4 (Tamb.) **f**

Perc. 5 **f**

E *a tempo (d. = 80)*

I Leo.

II 8va

108 Rhythmically **p hushed**

T the road

B beck-ons, beck-ons, beck-ons,

Perc. 3 Tri. **p**

Perc. 4 **p**

Rhythmically

I (Loco) **p**

II (p)

115

Soprano (S) vocal line with lyrics: "the road beck-ons, beck-ons," repeated. Dynamics: **p hushed**. Articulation: >.

Alto (A) vocal line with lyrics: "the road beck-ons, beck-ons," repeated. Dynamics: **p hushed**. Articulation: >.

Tenor (T) vocal line with lyrics: "beck-ons, beck-ons, beck-ons," repeated. Articulation: >.

Bass (B) vocal line with lyrics: "beck-ons, beck-ons, beck-ons, beck-ons," repeated. Articulation: >.

Percussion 3 (Tri.) plays eighth-note patterns.

Percussion 4 (Tom-Toms and Bongo) plays eighth-note patterns.

Percussion 5 (Tamb.) plays eighth-note patterns.

Instrument I (Treble clef) plays eighth-note chords. Articulation: >.

Instrument II (Bass clef) plays eighth-note chords. Articulation: >.

Dynamics: **p** — **pp**

121

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

Percussion 4 (Perc. 4) Percussion 5 (Perc. 5)

I (II)

cresc.

beck - ons, *beck - ons,* *beck - ons,* *beck - ons...* *A -*

cresc.

beck - ons, *beck - ons,* *beck - ons,* *beck - ons...* *A -*

cresc.

beck - ons, *beck - ons,* *beck - ons,* *beck - ons...* *A -*

cresc.

beck - ons, *beck - ons,* *beck - ons,* *beck - ons...* *A -*

Tom-Toms and Bongo

(Tamb.)

p *pp* *p cresc.*

cresc.

(Xeo.) *Xeo.* *Xeo.*

cresc.

Xeo. *Xeo.* *Xeo.*

F Lively, bounding energy

126 *f*

S foot and light - - - heart - - - ed, I trav - el _____ the

A foot and light - - - heart - - - ed, I trav - el _____ the

T 8 foot ____ and light - - - heart - - - ed, I trav - el _____ the

B foot ____ and light - - - heart - - - ed, I trav - el _____ the

(Bongo)

Perc. 4 *f*

(Tamb.)

Perc. 5 *f*

F Lively, bounding energy

I *f*

II *f*

132

S o - - - pen road, _____ o - pen

A o - - - pen road, _____ o - pen

T 8 o - - - pen road, _____

B o - - - pen road, _____

(Tom-Toms and Bongo)

Perc. 4 *mf* *f* *mf*

(Tamb.)

Perc. 5 *mf* *f* *mf*

I white-note gliss. loco

Reo.

II white-note gliss. *Reo.*

8vb

138

S road, o - pen road,

A road, o - pen road,

T road, road,

B road, road,

(Tom-Toms and Bongo)

Perc. 4 *f* (Tamb.) *mf* *f*

Perc. 5 *f* *mf* *f*

I *locو* *locو*

II *locو* *locو*

(8vb)

144 *rit. to end*

S the o - pen road!

A the o - pen road!

T the o - pen road!

B the o - pen road!

(Tom-Toms and Bongo)

Perc. 4 *mf* *f* *(f)*

Perc. 5 *mf* *f* *(f)*

rit. to end

I *8th -* *8thb* *8th -*

II *8th -* *8thb* *8th -*

2. You Road I Enter Upon

Slowly ♩ = 100, in a recitative style

Glock. - soft mlns.

Perc. 1

Slowly ♩ = 100, in a recitative style

I

Sop. Solo

Perc. 1

I

II

Sop. Solo

Perc. 1

I

II

6

Sop. Solo *mf* **A**

You road I en - ter up - on and

(*Reo.*)

A

p

(Reo.)

simile

p with a sense of mystery

simile

(Reo.)

10

look a - round! _____ I be - lieve you are not all _____ that is here; - _____

3

3

(Reo.)

simile

(Reo.)

14

Sop. Solo

I be - lieve that much un - seen is al - so

(Glock.)

Perc. 1

I

II

(X_o)

18

Sop. Solo

here.

Ten. Solo *mf*

You air _____ that

Perc. 1

I

II

B

B *loco*

(X_o)

22

Ten. Solo

serves me with breath to speak!
You objects that call from diffusion my meanings and

(Glock.)

Perc. 1

I

II

(Xylo.)



26

Ten. Solo

give them shape!

C

Bar. Solo

mf

You light that wraps me and all things in delicate

Bar. Solo

Perc. 1

I

II

(Xylo.)

C

(Xylo.)

30

Bar. Solo show'rs! You path - ways worn in ir - reg - u - lar hol - lows by the
(Glock.)

Perc. 1

I

II

(Xylo.)

(Xylo.)

rit.

Slowly, freely

f

Sop. Solo I think you are filled with un - seen life - —

Ten. Solo I think you are filled with un - seen life - —

Bar. Solo road - side! I think you are filled with un - seen life - —

Perc. 1

rit.

Slowly, freely

f

I

(Xylo.)

II

(Xylo.)

37

Sop. Solo

Ten. Solo

Bar. Solo

I

II

loco

f

mf

(Rondo)

Rondo

41

Sop. Solo

Ten. Solo

Bar. Solo

I

II

p

rit. to end

p

p

(Rondo)

rit. to end

mf

Rondo

you are so dear to me, _____

you are so dear to me, _____

you are so dear to me, _____

mf

mf

mf

(Rondo)

Rondo

you are so dear to

you are so dear to

you are so dear to

p

p

p

(Rondo)

rit. to end

rit. to end

mf

Rondo

45

Sop. Solo
Ten. Solo
Bar. Solo
Perc. 1
I
II

(Glock.)
p
pp

gva - -

p
pp

Bassoon

3. From This Hour – Freedom!*

$\text{♩} = 132$ with building energy and excitement

I
Bassoon

p
(p)
cresc. poco a poco

8vb

*This song is a celebration of the freedom to travel the open road. The mood is joyous throughout.

6

Perc. 4 Woodblock
p cresc.

Perc. 5 Bass Drum
p cresc.

I (cresc.) (8th) (2^o)

II (p cresc.) (2^o)

2o.

10 (W. BL.) Hi and Low Tom-Toms

A

Perc. 4 f

Perc. 5 f

I (cresc.) f forcefully with slight pedal (8th) (2^o)

II (cresc.) f with slight pedal (2^o)

14 *unis.*
pp almost whispered

S From this hour, from this hour,
A
T *unis.*
B *pp almost whispered*

Perc. 4 + Bongo
 p

I *p*

II *p*

18 **B** *mf* stately, with affirmation
from this hour, _____
 mf stately, with affirmation
from this hour, _____

A free - dom! _____
T free - dom! _____
B Slapstick

Perc. 2 *f*

Perc. 4 *mf* *f*
 Bass Drum

Perc. 5 *p* *f*

I **B**
 mf

II *mf*

Xeo. _____

22

Soprano A: From this hour, _____ free - dom! _____

Soprano T/B: From this hour, _____ free - dom! _____

Perc. 2: (Slapstick)

Perc. 3: Ratchet

Perc. 4: Hi Tom-Tom and Bongo

Perc. 5: Bass Drum

I: (Violin I) *mf* (Violin II) *f*

II: (Violin I) *mf* (Violin II) *f*

String Bass: *p* *f*

Timpani: *mf* *f*

(Xeo.) *Xeo.*

26

S A **C** *mf* *poco rit.*

T B *mf* *unis.*

Ratchet

Perc. 3 (f)

Perc. 4 (Tom-Toms and Bongo)

I *mf* *poco rit.*

II *mf*

(Roo)

30 **Slightly slower**

S A lines, free - dom, free - dom,

T B lines, free - dom, free - dom,

Perc. 3

Perc. 4

Perc. 5 (B.D.)

Slightly slower

I *mf* *accel.*

II *mf*

(f) with energy and liberation

D Quickly $\text{♩} = 144$

34 (accel.)

free - dom! *unis.*

free - dom! *unis.*

free - dom! *unis.*

free - dom! *unis.*

Glock.

(Slapstick)

(Ratchet)

(Tom-Toms and Bongo)

(B.D.)

D Quickly $\text{♩} = 144$

(accel.)

ff *>* *>* *>* *>* *f crisply, with energy*

ff *>* *>* *>* *>* *f crisply, > with energy*

ff *>* *>* *>* *>* *with slight pedal*

ff *>* *>* *>* *>* *with slight pedal*

ff *>* *>* *>* *>* *with slight pedal*

38 (Glock.)

Perc. 1

I

II

E

41 *mf smoothly*

A

Go - ing where I will, my own mas - ter, _____

Perc. 3

Bongo w/ hands

Perc. 4

mf

E

I

II

mf smoothly

mf

mf smoothly

45 *mf smoothly*

S to - - - tal and ab - - - so - - - lute, _____

Perc. 3 (Tri.) *f*
(Bongo)

Perc. 4

I *f*

II *f* *8va----- loco*

====

49 *mf smoothly*

T paus - ing, search - ing, re - ceiv - ing, con - tem - pla - ting,
B *mf smoothly* paus - ing, search - ing, re - ceiv - ing, con - tem - pla - ting,

Perc. 4

I

II *mf* *8va----- loco*

F Recitative, freely, but still energetically

Soprano (S) 53 *mf* gently, but with undeniable will, divesting myself of the holds that would hold me. Free - dom!

Alto (A) *mf* gently, but with undeniable will, divesting myself of the holds that would hold me. Free - dom!

Tenor (T) *mf* gently, but with undeniable will, divesting myself of the holds that would hold me. Free - dom!

Bass (B) *mf* gently, but with undeniable will, divesting myself of the holds that would hold me. Free - dom!

Percussion 1 (Perc. 1) Cr. Cyms. *f*

Percussion 4 (Perc. 4) Low Tom-Tom w/ sticks *f*

G Slowly, grandly

I (I) *mf*

II (II)

Quickly $\text{♩} = 144$

56

S Free - dom! From this hour. free - dom!

A Free - dom! From this hour. free - dom!

T Free - dom! From this hour. free - dom!

B Free - dom! From this hour. free - dom!

ff joyously

ff joyously

ff joyously

ff joyously

ff joyously

ff joyously

(Cr. Cyms.) ,

Perc. 1 ,

Perc. 2 , Slapstick

Perc. 3 ,

Perc. 4 (Low Tom) , (Bongo and Tom-Toms)

Perc. 5 , Bass Drum

ff

p ff

Quickly $\text{♩} = 144$

accel.

I , *p ff* , *ff* , *ff*

II , *p ff* , *ff* , *ff*

ff , *ff* , *ff*

Soprano (S) vocal line, measure 60. Dynamics: > (accents), shout [not on pitch] (above staff).

Alto (A) vocal line, measure 60. Dynamics: > (accents), shout [not on pitch] (above staff).

Tenor (T) vocal line, measure 60. Dynamics: > (accents), shout [not on pitch] (above staff).

Bass (B) vocal line, measure 60. Dynamics: > (accents), shout [not on pitch] (above staff).

Percussion 1 (Perc. 1) rests throughout.

Percussion 2 (Perc. 2) rests throughout.

Percussion 3 (Perc. 3) (Slapstick) rests throughout.

Percussion 4 (Perc. 4) (Tom-Toms and Bongo) eighth-note patterns.

Percussion 5 (Perc. 5) rests throughout.

Keyboard I (I) eighth-note patterns, dynamic ff, starting high on the keyboard. A bracket indicates a loud, "liberating" white-note gliss. starting high on the keyboard.

Keyboard II (II) eighth-note patterns, dynamic ff, starting high on the keyboard. A bracket indicates a loud, "liberating" white-note gliss. starting high on the keyboard.

4. To Grow in the Open Air

Perc. 3 $\text{♩} = 108$

I $\text{♩} = 108$
p *peacefully*

II $\text{♩} = 108$
p

Tam-Tam
very softly, as breathing

ecstatic

Ten. Solo 6 f *ecstatic* **A**
I in - hale great

Perc. 3 p *(Loo.)* pp p *(Loo.)* pp

I p *(Loo.)* p *(Loo.)* p *(Loo.)*

II mp *(Loo.)* p *(Loo.)* mp *(Loo.)* p *(Loo.)*

10

Ten. Solo drafts of space;— the east and

(Tam-Tam)

Perc. 3 *p* *pp* *p* *pp*

I (Rœ.) Rœ. Rœ.

II (Rœ.) Rœ. Rœ.

14

Ten. Solo west are mine and the north and south are

Perc. 3 *p* *pp* *p*

I (Rœ.) Rœ.

II (Rœ.) Rœ.

18

Ten. Solo mine. **B**

Bar. Solo *f* *ecstatic* Now I see the se-cret of the ma-king of

Perc. 3 Tam-Tam *p* *mf*

I

II



22

Bar. Solo life, it is to grow in the o - pen air, and to

I

II

26

Bar. Solo

poco rit.

eat and sleep with the earth.

I

II

poco rit.

30

C Slower $\text{♩} = 88$

mf reflectively

T

O high - way I trav - el, — I am not a - fraid to leave you, — yet I

mf reflectively unis.

B

O high - way I trav - el, — I am not a - fraid to leave you, —

Timpani

Perc. 2

34

T

love — you; you ex-press me bet-ter than I can ex-press my -

B

love — you; you ex-press me bet-ter than I can ex-press my -

Perc. 2

I

for rehearsal only -

Play

(mf)

38

T (8) self; you shall be more to me than any poem. *accel.*

B self; you shall be more to me than any poem.

Perc. 2 (Tim.) *p*

I *accel.*

II *p* *Ad.*

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42 **D** *a tempo* ($\text{♩} = 108$)

Ten. Solo great drafts of space, great drafts of

T *f* *ecstatic* *p* *f* *ecstatic* *p*

B *f* *high-way I trav-el*, *p* *f* *am not a-fraid to leave you,* *p*

O *high-way I trav-el*, *p* *I am not a-fraid to leave you,* *p*

Perc. 2 *f* *mf* *f* *mf*

D *a tempo* ($\text{♩} = 108$)

I *f* *g* *f* *g*

II *f* *g* *f* *g*

*The cue-size note is an *ossia*.

4. To Grow in the Open Air

46

Ten. Solo space,

Bar. Solo *f* I grow in the o - pen air, and

T *f* O high - way I trav - el... Hmm, air,

B *f* O high - way I trav - el... Hmm, air, _____

(Timp.)

Perc. 2 *f* *mf* *p*

I

II

50

Bar. Solo eat and sleep with the earth, **E** *p*

T *p* *peacefully* eat and sleep with the

B eat and sleep with the earth,

I **E** *p* *8vb-*

II *p* *2o.*

(Solo joins B1, Tutti)

p

Bar. Solo 54

T 8 earth, eat and sleep with the earth.

B eat and sleep with the earth, with the earth.

Perc. 1 Glock.

I (8^{vb}) Leo.

II (8^{vb}) Leo.

57

T 8 (+Bar. Solo) 8 8

B 8 8

Perc. 1

I LH (8^{vb}) Leo.

II (8^{vb}) Leo.

5. Here is the Voice of the Soul

Same tempo $\text{♩} = 108$

Sop. Solo *f* *ecstatic*

Sop. Solo Here is the voice of the Soul; —————— The voice of the Soul. ——————

T *mf*

(+Bar. Solo) *mf*

B ——————

Perc. 1 (Glock.) *mf*

Same tempo $\text{♩} = 108$

I *mf*

($\ddot{\text{x}}\ddot{\text{o}}$) *loco*

II *mf*

($\ddot{\text{x}}\ddot{\text{o}}$) *loco*

$\ddot{\text{x}}\ddot{\text{o}}$ $\ddot{\text{x}}\ddot{\text{o}}$

Sop. Solo 4 comes from with - in. —————— It is

I 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5

($\ddot{\text{x}}\ddot{\text{o}}$) ($\ddot{\text{x}}\ddot{\text{o}}$)

II 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5

($\ddot{\text{x}}\ddot{\text{o}}$)

6

Sop. Solo Sop. Tutti Alto Tutti (Glock.)

hap - pi - ness. hap - pi - ness It per - - vades the o - pen

Perc. 1 (mf)

I II

A

9

Sop. Solo air. It flows in - to us, and we are right - ly

S flows in - to us,

A flows in - to us,

Perc. 1

I

II

loco

A

I3

Sop. Solo filled. The soul
 S filled. The soul
 A filled. The soul
 (Glock.)
 Perc. 1
 Perc. 4 Bongo w/ sticks
B *(Solo Sop. joins Tutti)*
p subito, with anticipation

I *p sub.* with pedal
 II *p sub.* with pedal

Reo.

16

S trav - els; for - ev - er a - live, for - ev - er for - ward,
 A trav - els; for - ev - er a - live, for - ev - er for - ward,
 (Bongo)
 Perc. 4
 I
 II *p*

19

S *cresc. poco a poco*
a - long the grand roads of the u - ni - verse,

A *cresc. poco a poco*
a - long the grand roads of the u - ni - verse,

Perc. 4 Low Tom

I *cresc. poco a poco*

II *p cresc. poco a poco*

(Ric.)

22

S *(cresc.)*
of the u - ni - verse.

A *(cresc.)*
— of the u - ni - verse.

Perc. 5 Snare Drum
p *mf* *p*

I *(cresc.)*

II *(cresc.)*

(Ric.)

6. Come Travel with Me

Same tempo $\text{♩} = 108$

Sop. Solo ***f triumphant***

Sop. Solo
Ten. Solo
Bar. Solo

Chimes

Perc. 1 ***f***
(Bongo and Tom-Toms)

Perc. 4 ***f***
(S.D.)

Perc. 5 ***f*** ***p*** ***f*** ***p***

Same tempo $\text{♩} = 108$

I ***f***

II ***f***

5

Sop. Solo

Ten. Solo

Bar. Solo

(Bongo)

Perc. 4

Perc. 5

I

II

8 [A]

Ten. Solo

Bar. Solo

Perc. 1

(Bongo)

Perc. 4

I

II

ever you are, come tra - vel with me! _____

ever you are, come tra - vel with me! _____

ever you are, come tra - vel with me! _____

ever you are, come tra - vel with me! _____

(Bongo)

mf

The earth nev-er tires; _____

Tra - v'ling with me, you find what nev - er tires.

Glock.

mf

p

A

mf

mf

12 *mf*

Sop. Solo the earth is rude, si - lent, in - com - pre - hen - si - ble at

Ten. Solo 8

Perc. 1 (Glock.)

Perc. 4 (Bongo) *p*

I {
II {

15 **B**

Sop. Solo first. Be not dis - cour - aged — *(mf) cantabile*

Ten. Solo 8 Be not dis - cour - aged — There are di - vine things more *(mf) cantabile*

Bar. Solo There are di - vine things more

Perc. 1 (Glock.)

Perc. 4 (Bongo) *p* *mf*

I {
II {

Le.

C

19

Sop. Solo Ah _____ A - rise! _____

Ten. Solo beau - ti - ful than words can tell. A - rise! _____

Bar. Solo beau - ti - ful than words can tell. A - rise! _____

Perc. 1 Chimes

Perc. 4 (Low Tom)

Perc. 5 S.D.

I { 3 8va - - loco

II { 8 f > >

(Loco) _____ > >

23

Sop. Solo Ten. Solo Bar. Solo

A - rise! _____ We must not an - chor here;
A - rise! _____ We must not an - chor here;
A - rise! _____ We must not an - chor here;

(Chimes)

Perc. 1 (Tom-Toms and Bongo)

Perc. 4 *mf*

Perc. 5 *p* ————— *f*

I II

8va- *loco* *8va-* *loco*

Bar. Solo

We will sail _____ path - less and

Perc. 4 *p*

I

D

p

3 *3* *3* *3*

31

Ten. Solo

Bar. Solo

Tam-Tam

Perc. 3

I

II

E *mf*

We will go where the
wild seas;

34

Sop. Solo

Ten. Solo

(Tam-Tam)

Perc. 3

I

II

mf

and the
winds blow and waves dash;

p *mf* p

Rédo.

The musical score consists of two systems of music. The first system (measures 31-32) features Tenor Solo, Bassoon Solo, Tam-Tam, and Percussion 3. The second system (measures 34-35) features Soprano Solo, Tenor Solo, Percussion 3, and two groups of percussion (I and II). The score includes dynamic markings like f, mf, p, and mf, and performance instructions like 'Rédo.'

37 [F]

Sop. Solo: Yan - kee clip - per speeds by un - - - der full

Ten. Solo:

Bar. Solo:

S:

A:

T:

B:

Perc. 1:

Perc. 2:

Perc. 3: Tam-Tam *p*

Perc. 5:

I: *p* cresc.

II: *p*

40 *f* **G** *f triumphant*

Sop. Solo sail. A - rise! Let us go!

Ten. Solo *f triumphant* A - rise! Let us go!

Bar. Solo *f triumphant* A - rise! Let us go!

S *f triumphat* unis. A - rise! Let us unis.

A A - rise! Let us unis.

T A - rise! Let us unis. > >

B A - rise! Let us unis. > > >

Perc. 1 Glock.

Perc. 2 Timp. *f*

(Tam-Tam)

Perc. 3 *f*

Perc. 5

I **G** > > > >

II > > > >

(Xo.)

44

molto rit.

Sop. Solo
Ten. Solo
Bar. Solo

With pow'r, lib - er - ty, the earth and the el - e - ments! A -

S
go, with pow'r, lib - er - ty, the earth and the el - e - ments! A - unis.

A
go, with pow'r, lib - er - ty, the earth and the el - e - ments! A -

T
go, with pow'r, lib - er - ty, the earth and the el - e - ments! A -

B
go, with pow'r, lib - er - ty, the earth and the el - e - ments! A -

Perc. 1 (Glock.)
Perc. 2 (Timp.)
Perc. 3
Perc. 5

molto rit.

I
II

8vb *2a*

8vb *2a*

7. The Road is Before Us (Arise! Let Us Go!)

J = 120 with energy and celebration

Sop. Solo (f) > rise! Let us go! A - - rise!

Ten. Solo (f) > rise! Let us go! A - rise, a -

Bar. Solo (f) > rise! Let us go! A - rise, a -

S (f) > 8 rise! Let us go! A - rise!

A (f) > rise! Let us go! A - rise!

T (f) > 8 rise! Let us go! unis. > A - rise, a -

B (f) > rise! Let us go! unis. > A - rise, a -

Perc. 1 (Timp.)

Perc. 2 f (Tam-Tam)

Perc. 3 f

Perc. 4

Perc. 5

J = 120 with energy and celebration

I (f) > > > > > > > >

II (f) > > > > > > > >

6

Sop. Solo
Ten. Solo
Bar. Solo
S
A
T
B
Perc. 1
Perc. 2
Perc. 3
Perc. 4
Perc. 5

Let us go! A - - - - rise!

rise! Let us go! The road is be -

rise! Let us go! The road is be -

Let us go! A - - - - rise!

Let us go! A - - - - rise! unis.

rise! Let us go! The road is be -

rise! Let us go! The road is be -

(Timp.)

(Tam-Tam)

Tom-Toms and Bongo

f

I
II

A

(8^{vb})

(8^{vb})

10

Sop. Solo
Ten. Solo
Bar. Solo
S
A
T
B
Perc. 1
Perc. 2
Perc. 3
Perc. 4
Perc. 5

Let us go! — A - - - rise! —
 fore us! The road is be - fore us! The road is be -
 fore us! The road is be - fore us! The road is be -
 Let us go! — A - - - rise! —
 Let us go! — unis. — A - - - rise! — unis.
 fore us! The road is be - fore us! The road is be -
 unis. — The road is be - unis. —
 fore us! The road is be - fore us! The road is be -

(Timp.)
 (Tam-Tam)
 (Bongo and Tom-Toms)

I
 II

(8^{vb})

14

Sop. Solo
Ten. Solo
Bar. Solo
S
A
T
B
Perc. 1
Perc. 2
Perc. 3
Perc. 4
Perc. 5

Let us go! _____ My friend! _____
fore us! The road is be - fore us! My friend and com -
fore us! The road is be - fore us! My friend and com -
Let us go! _____ My friend! _____
Let us go! _____ My friend! _____
unis.
fore us! The road is be - fore us! My friend and com -
unis.
fore us! The road is be - fore us! My friend and com -

(Timpani)

(Tam-Tam)

(Bongo and Tom-Toms)

S.D.

B

I
(8th)

II

18

Sop. Solo

Ten. Solo

Bar. Solo

S

A

T

B

Perc. 1
(Timp.)

Perc. 2
(Tam-Tam)

Perc. 3
(Bongo and Tom-Toms)

Perc. 4
(S.D.)

Perc. 5

I

II

7. *The Road is Before Us (Arise! Let Us Go!)*

C

22

Sop. Solo more pre - cious than gold, I give you my - self,

Ten. Solo spir - it, more pre- cious than mon - ey, I give you my-

Bar. Solo spir - it, more pre- cious than mon - ey, I give you my-

S unis. more pre - cious than gold, I give you my - self,

A more pre - cious than gold, I give you my - self,

T unis. spir - it, more pre- cious than mon - ey, I give you my-

B unis. spir - it, more pre- cious than mon - ey, I give you my-

Perc. 1 (Timp.)

Perc. 2 (Tam-Tam)

Perc. 3 (Bongo and Tom-Toms)

Perc. 4 (S.D.)

Perc. 5

Glock. f

I { (8^{vb}) - }

II { }

26

Sop. Solo

Ten. Solo

Bar. Solo

S

A

T

B

Perc. 1 (Glock.)

Perc. 2 (Timp.)

Perc. 3 (Tam-Tam)

Perc. 4 (Bongo and Tom-Toms)

Perc. 5 (S.D.)

I

II

as a heart un - fet - tered, I give you my
self, as an o - pen heart,
self, as an o - pen heart,
as a heart un - fet - tered, I give you my
as a heart un - fet - tered, I give you my
self, as an o - pen heart,
self, as an o - pen heart,
(Glock.)
(Timp.)
(Tam-Tam)
(Bongo and Tom-Toms)
(S.D.)
(8vb) -

29

Sop. Solo life, _____ as a Soul E - ter - nal; Shall we

Ten. Solo I give you my life, a Soul E - ter - nal; Shall we

Bar. Solo I give you my life, a Soul E - ter - nal; Shall we

S unis. life, _____ as a Soul E - ter - nal; Shall we unis.

A life, _____ as a Soul E - ter - nal; Shall we unis.

T unis. I give you my life, a Soul E - ter - nal; Shall we unis.

B unis. I give you my life, a Soul E - ter - nal; Shall we (Glock.)

Perc. 1 (Timp.)

Perc. 2 (Tam-Tam)

Perc. 3 (Tom-Toms and Bongo)

Perc. 4 (S.D.)

Perc. 5

rit. Slower

I rit. Slower
($\frac{3}{8}$)

II rit. Slower

33 D

Sop. Solo

Ten. Solo

Bar. Solo

S

A

T

B

Perc. 1

(Timp.)

Perc. 2

Perc. 3

Perc. 4

Perc. 5

fol - low this jour - ney for as long as we live! *p*

fol - low this jour - ney for as long as we live! *p*

fol - low this jour - ney for as long as we live! *p*

fol - low this jour - ney for as long as we live! Shall our lives be a jour - ney on the *unis.* *p*

fol - low this jour - ney for as long as we live! Shall our lives be a jour - ney on the *unis.* *p*

fol - low this jour - ney for as long as we live! Shall our lives be a jour - ney on the *unis.* *p*

fol - low this jour - ney for as long as we live! Shall our lives be a jour - ney on the *unis.* *p*

fol - low this jour - ney for as long as we live! Shall our lives be a jour - ney on the *unis.* *p*

I

D

(p)

for rehearsal only.

p

II

8va

(p)

rit.

39

E *a tempo* ($\text{♩} = 120$)

Sop. Solo

Ten. Solo

Bar. Solo

S

A

T

B

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Perc. 3

Perc. 4

Perc. 5

mf

I trav - el the o - pen - road, _____

mf

I trav - el the o - pen road,

mf

I trav - el the o - pen road,

o - - - - pen road, _____

Tri.

mf

rit.

(rehearsal) - - - - -

E *a tempo* ($\text{♩} = 120$)

I

II

f *sprightly, energetic*

f *sprightly, energetic*

43

Sop. Solo

Ten. Solo

Bar. Solo

S

A

T

B

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

(Tri.)

Perc. 3

Perc. 4

Perc. 5

I

II

The musical score consists of ten staves. The top three staves (Soprano Solo, Tenor Solo, Baritone Solo) play eighth-note patterns. The soprano staff has lyrics: "I trav - el the o - pen road, _____ I trav - el the o - pen road, _____". The tenor staff has lyrics: "I trav - el the o - pen road, _____ I trav - el the o - pen road, _____". The baritone staff has lyrics: "I trav - el the o - pen road, _____ I trav - el the o - pen road, _____". The next three staves (Soprano, Alto, Tenor) have sustained notes with slight pitch variations. The bottom four staves represent various percussion instruments: Percussion 1 (snare drum), Percussion 2 (bass drum), Percussion 3 (triangle), Percussion 4 (cymbal), and Percussion 5 (triangle). The final two staves are labeled I and II, containing sixteenth-note patterns.

47 *rit.*

Sop. Solo

Ten. Solo

Bar. Solo

S

A

T

B

Perc. 1

Timp.

Perc. 2

(Tri.)

Tam-Tam

Perc. 3

(Tom-Toms and Bongo)

Perc. 4

Bass Drum

Perc. 5

Cr. Cyms.

I

II

rit.

*Cue-size notes are an *ossia*, sing if preferred.

7. *The Road is Before Us (Arise! Let Us Go!)*

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