

Gloria
For Choir and Brass Quintet
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ABSTRACT

Gloria is a work written for SATB choir and brass quintet that uses the traditional Latin text of the Gloria found in the ordinary of the Mass. The piece is approximately fourteen minutes and explores a variety of textures, colors, and timbres of the brass quintet and choir. The composition uses quartal sonorities mixed with upper tertian structures while avoiding simple triads and stable root position voicings until the most important climactic moments.

The *Gloria* opens with a fanfare presenting the initial rhythmic motive in a call and response between the brass and choir before the irregular meters of the A section enter.

The piece develops a variety of sonorities, pitch collections, and timbres before arriving at the first climactic moment on the text “Rex” (King). The music slowly comes to a point of repose with a brass interlude revealing the motives used in the B section.

The choir begins the B section *a cappella* on the text “Dómine Fili unigénite, Jésu Chríste” (Lord Jesus Christ, the only begotten Son). The section features a dialogue between the brass and choir, though the two groups never sound together. The section includes a lyrical soprano duet incorporating dissonant intervals preceding the choir’s response on the text requesting the mercy of the Lord. The section comes to a somber, penitential rest ending with the brass quintet response. The piece gradually builds and accelerates to the second climactic moment on the word “Jésu.” From there it once again gains momentum toward the return of the A section on the text “Cum Sáncto Spíritu” (With the Holy Spirit). After a climactic “Amen” section, the composition concludes with a return to the material found in the introduction followed by an affirming brass postlude.

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Gloria

For SATB Choir and Brass Quintet
(2012)

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9 ***ff*** **Jubilant,** $\text{♩} = \text{c. } 78$

S a

A a

T a

B a

Jubilant, $\text{♩} = \text{c. } 78$

C Tpt. 1

C Tpt. 2

F Hn.

Tbn. 1

B. Tbn.

17

Soprano (S) voice part:

Glo-ri - a ____

Glo-ri - a ____

Glo-ri - a ____ in ex -

Alto (A) voice part:

Glo-ri - a ____

Glo-ri - a ____

Glo-ri - a ____ in ex -

Tenor (T) voice part:

Glo-ri - a ____

Glo-ri - a ____

Glo-ri - a ____ in ex -

Bass (B) voice part:

Glo-ri - a ____

Glo-ri - a ____

Glo-ri - a ____ in ex -

C Tpt. 1

f

mp

f

f

mf

C Tpt. 2

f

mp

f

f

mf

F Hn.

f

mp

f

f

mf

Tbn. 1

f

mp

f

f

mf

B. Tbn.

f

mp

f

f

mf

* treat wedge articulation as shorter accent similar to brass articulation

25 *f*

S cel - sis De o

A cel - sis De o

T cel - sis De o

B cel - sis De o

mp

Glo - ri - a ____ in ex - cel - sis De -

mp

Glo - ri - a ____ in ex - cel - sis De -

C Tpt. 1 *f*

mf

f

mp

C Tpt. 2 *f*

mf

f

mp

F Hn. *f*

mf

f

mp

Tbn. 1 *f*

mf

f

mp

B. Tbn. *f*

mf

f

mp

Light and Flowing, $\text{♩} = \text{c. } 78$

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Soprano (S): De o
Alto (A): De o
Tenor (T): De o
Bass (B): De o

Light and Flowing, $\text{♩} = \text{c. } 78$

C Tpt. 1: dolce
C Tpt. 2: dolce
F Hn.: mp leggiero
Tbn. 1: mp
B. Tbn.: mf mp

49

dolce **p** ————— *mp* —————

S: et in ter - ra pax ho - mi - ni - bus

A: et in ter - ra pax ho - mi - ni - bus

T: ————— ————— ————— —————

B: ————— ————— ————— —————

dolce **p** —————

dolce **p** —————

et in ter - ra pax ho -

Musical score for orchestra and piano, measures 1-5. The score includes parts for C Tpt. 1, C Tpt. 2, F Hn., Tbn. 1, and B. Tbn. The key signature changes from no sharps or flats to one sharp (F#) at measure 5. Measure 1: C Tpt. 1 (p), C Tpt. 2 (p). Measure 2: C Tpt. 1 (rest), C Tpt. 2 (rest). Measure 3: C Tpt. 1 (rest), C Tpt. 2 (rest). Measure 4: C Tpt. 1 (rest), C Tpt. 2 (rest). Measure 5: C Tpt. 1 (mp), C Tpt. 2 (mp), F Hn. (p dolce), Tbn. 1 (p dolce), B. Tbn. (p dolce). Measures 6-10: Various patterns of eighth and sixteenth notes with dynamics p, mp, and mf.

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Jubilant, ♩. = c. 78

Soprano (S) voice part:

f

bo - nae vo - lun ta - tis

Alto (A) voice part:

f

bo - nae vo - lun ta - tis

Tenor (T) voice part:

f

8 mi - ni - bus bo - nae vo - lun ta - tis

Bass (B) voice part:

f

mi - ni - bus bo - nae vo - lun ta - tis

Jubilant, ♩. = c. 78

C Tpt. 1

mf *mp*

C Tpt. 2

mf *mp*

F Hn.

mf *mp*

Tbn. 1

mf *mp*

B. Tbn.

mf *mp*

64

S

A

T

B

C Tpt. 1

C Tpt. 2

F Hn.

Tbn. 1

B. Tbn.

70

Soprano (S) vocal line: Rest, then eighth note, then rest.

Alto (A) vocal line: Rest, then eighth note, then rest.

Tenor (T) vocal line: Eighth note, then eighth note, then rest. Dynamics: **p**, **Lau - da - mus te _____**.

Bass (B) vocal line: Rest, then eighth note, then rest.

Chorus vocal line: Be - ne - Be - ne -

C Tpt. 1: Sixteenth-note patterns.

C Tpt. 2: Sixteenth-note patterns.

F Hn.: Eight-note patterns.

Tbn. 1: Eight-note patterns.

B. Tbn.: Eight-note patterns.

Dynamics: **p**, **mp**.

78

Soprano (S) vocal line:

di - ci - mus te _____ A - do - ra - mus te _____

mezzo-soprano (A) vocal line:

di - ci - mus te _____ A - do - ra - mus te _____

Tenor (T) vocal line:

- - - - A - do - ra - mus te _____

Bass (B) vocal line:

- - - - A - do - ra - mus te _____

Measure 78 ends with a forte dynamic.

C Tpt. 1 vocal line:

- - - - mf - - - - mp - - - -

C Tpt. 2 vocal line:

- - - - mf - - - - mp - - - -

F Horn (F Hn.) vocal line:

p - - - - mf - - - - mp - - - -

Tenor Bassoon (Tbn. 1) vocal line:

p - - - - mf - - - - mp - - - -

Bass Bassoon (B. Tbn.) vocal line:

p - - - - mf - - - - mp - - - -

Measure 79 begins with a dynamic change.

85

Soprano (S) *Glor - ri - fi - ca - mus te _____ Gra - ti - as Gra - ti -*

Alto (A) *Glor - ri - fi - ca - mus te _____ Gra - ti - as Gra - ti -*

Tenor (T) *Glor - ri - fi - ca - mus te _____ Gra - ti - as Gra - ti -*

Bass (B) *Glor - ri - fi - ca - mus te _____ Gra - ti - as Gra - ti -*

C Tpt. 1 *mf*

C Tpt. 2 *mf*

F Hn. *mf*

Tbn. 1 *mf*

B. Tbn. *mf*

Jubilant, $\text{♩} = \text{c. } 78$

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Soprano (S): as ag - i - mus ti - bi ag - i - mus ti - bi prop - ter mag - nam glo - ri - am tu - am
Alto (A): as ag - i - mus ti - bi ag - i - mus ti - bi prop - ter mag - nam glo - ri - am tu - am
Tenor (T): as ag - i - mus ti - bi ag - i - mus ti - bi prop - ter mag - nam glo - ri - am tu - am
Bass (B): as ag - i - mus ti - bi ag - i - mus ti - bi prop - ter mag - nam glo - ri - am tu - am

Jubilant, $\text{♩} = \text{c. } 78$

C Tpt. 1: ff
C Tpt. 2: ff
F Hn.: ff
Tbn. 1: ff
B. Tbn.: ff

straight mute

mp

mp

mp

101

rit.

Lighter, $\text{J.} = \text{c.} 68$

S

A

T

B

p

Do - mi - ne De - us

rit.

Lighter, $\text{J.} = \text{c.} 68$

C Tpt. 1

straight mute

mp

f

mf

C Tpt. 2

f

mf

F Hn.

mp

f

mf

mp

p

Tbn. 1

mp

f

mf

mp

p

B. Tbn.

mp

f

mf

mp

p

110

Soprano (S) - Treble clef, 8th note duration.

Alto (A) - Treble clef, 8th note duration.

Tenor (T) - Treble clef, dynamic *p*, 8th note duration. Vocal line: Do - mi-ne, De - us, Do - mi-ne, De - us, Rex _____ coe - les - tis.

Bass (B) - Bass clef, 8th note duration.

Do - mi-ne, De - us, Do - mi-ne, De - us, Rex _____ coe - les - tis.

Do - mi-ne (with a sharp sign).

Dynamic markings: *mp*, *mf*, *mp*.

Measure 110 ends with a measure of 8/8 time.

C Tpt. 1 - Treble clef, dynamic *mp*, 8th note duration. Measure 111 starts with a measure of 8/8 time.

C Tpt. 2 - Treble clef, dynamic *mf*, 8th note duration. Measure 111 starts with a measure of 8/8 time.

F Hn. - Treble clef, dynamic *mp*, 8th note duration.

Tbn. 1 - Bass clef, dynamic *mp*, 8th note duration.

B. Tbn. - Bass clef, dynamic *mp*, 8th note duration.

Measure 111 continues with measures of 8/8 time, ending with a measure of 7/8 time.

Dynamic markings: *remove mute*, *mf*, *mp*, *mf*, *mp*.

Measure 112 begins with a measure of 8/8 time, ending with a measure of 7/8 time.

Dynamic markings: *p*, *mf*, *mp*.

119

Soprano (S) vocal line:

mp: Do - mi-ne
mf: De - us Do - mi-ne De - us Rex _____ coe -
f: les - tis Rex _____ coe -

Alto (A) vocal line:

De - us Do - mi-ne De - us Rex _____ coe -
f: les - tis Rex _____ coe -

Tenor (T) vocal line:

8 Rex _____ coe -
f: les - tis Rex _____ coe -

Bass (B) vocal line:

Rex _____ coe -

C Tpt. 1

C Tpt. 2

F Hn.

Tbn. 1

B. Tbn.

mf *f*

mf *f*

mf *f*

mf *f*

molto rall.

Broadly $\text{♩} = 60$

meno mosso

127

S les - tis Rex

A les - tis Rex

T $\frac{8}{8}$ les - tis Rex

B les - tis Rex

6 8 6 8 6 8 6 8

molto rall.

Broadly $\text{♩} = 60$

meno mosso

C Tpt. 1

C Tpt. 2

F Hn.

Tbn. 1

B. Tbn.

ff f mf mp

ff f mf mp

ff f mf mp

ff f mf mp

ff mf mp

ff mf mp

134 *mp*

S De - us Pa - ter - om - ni - po-tens

A De - us Pa - ter - om - ni - po-tens

T De - us Pa - ter - om - ni - po-tens

B De - us Pa - ter - om - ni - po-tens

C Tpt. 1

C Tpt. 2

F Hn.

Tbn. 1

B. Tbn.

141 **molto rit.** **Slowly, Much Rubato** ($\text{♩} = \text{c. } 70$) **rit.**

S

A

T

B

molto rit. **Slowly, Much Rubato** ($\text{♩} = \text{c. } 70$) **rit.**

C Tpt. 1

C Tpt. 2

F Hn.

Tbn. 1

B. Tbn.

Slowly, Much Rubato ($\text{♩} = \text{c. } 70$)

149 **p**

Soprano (S) vocal line with lyrics: Do - mi - ne, Fi - li - un - i - ge - ni - te, Je - su, Chri - ste.

Alto (A) vocal line with lyrics: Do - mi - ne, Fi - li - un - i - ge - ni - te, Je - su, Chri - ste.

Tenor (T) vocal line with lyrics: Do - mi - ne, Fi - li - un - i - ge - ni - te, Je - su, Chri - ste.

Bass (B) vocal line with lyrics: Do - mi - ne, Fi - li - un - i - ge - ni - te, Je - su, Chri - ste.

Measure 149 ends with a dynamic **pp** and a **rit.** (ritardando).

Slowly, Much Rubato ($\text{♩} = \text{c. } 70$)

rit.

C Tpt. 1

C Tpt. 2

F Hn.

Tbn. 1

B. Tbn.

Measure 150 begins with a **straight mute** on the Bass Trombone 1 part. Measure 151 begins with a **p straight mute** on the Bass Trombone 1 part.

158 ***p***

S Do - mi - ne De - us, Ag - nus De - i, Fi - li - us Pa - tris

A Do - mi - ne De - us, Ag - nus De - i, Fi - li - us Pa - tris

T Do - mi - ne De - us, Ag - nus De - i, Fi - li - us Pa - tris

B Do - mi - ne De - us, Ag - nus De - i, Fi - li - us Pa - tris

C Tpt. 1

C Tpt. 2

F Hn.

Tbn. 1

B. Tbn.

straight mute

p

straight mute

p

169

S
A
T
B

straight mute

C Tpt. 1
C Tpt. 2
F Hn.
Tbn. 1
B. Tbn.

p

straight mute

p

mf

p

mf

p

179

Sopr. solo **p** non vib.

Sopr. solo **p** non vib.

Qui tol - lis Qui tol - lis pec - ca - ta

Qui tol - lis Qui tol - lis pec - ca - ta

mp

mp

C Tpt. 1

C Tpt. 2

F Hn.

Tbn. 1

B. Tbn.

p

straight mute

p

mp **pp**

mp **pp**

p

mp **pp**

mp **pp**

191 *>p*, *p*, tutti *mp >p*

Sopr. solo *p* non vib.

p non vib.

mp

S: mun - di mi - se - re - re mi - se - re - re no - bis Qui tol - lis Qui tol - lis Qui

A: mun - di mi - se - re - re mi - se - re - re no - bis Qui tol - lis Qui tol - lis Qui

T: 8 mi - se - re - re mi - se - re - re no - bis

B: *p* mi - se - re - re *mp >p* *mp >p*

mi - se - re - re mi - se - re - re no - bis

C Tpt. 1 *p* *mp* *p*

C Tpt. 2 *p* *mp* *p*

F Hn. *p* *mp* *p*

Tbn. 1 *p* *mp* *p*

B. Tbn. *p* *mp* *p*

203

S tol - lis pec - ca - ta mun - di sus - ci - pe de - pre - ca - ti o - nem no - stram
A tol - lis pec - ca - ta mun - di sus - ci - pe de - pre - ca - ti o - nem no - stram
T - - - - - - -
B - - - - - - -

p, tutti *mp* ,
p, tutti *mp* ,
p *mp* ,

sus - ci - pe de - pre - ca - ti o - nem no - stram

C Tpt. 1
 C Tpt. 2
 F Hn.
 Tbn. 1
 B. Tbn.

214

sopr. solo **p** non vib.

Sopr. solo **p** non vib.

mp

mf

p

tutti

Qui se - des Qui se - des dex te - ram Pa - tris Pa - tris Pa - tris mi

Qui se - des Qui se - des dex te - ram Pa - tris Pa - tris Pa - tris mi

T

B

This musical score page shows a vocal quartet (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) and five brass instruments (C Tpt. 1, C Tpt. 2, F Hn., Tbn. 1, B. Tbn.). The vocal parts sing a Latin hymn. The brass parts play sustained notes. Dynamics include piano (p), mezzo-forte (mf), and forte (f). Articulation marks like staccato dots and slurs are present. Measure 214 concludes with a tutti dynamic.

, remove mute

C Tpt. 1

p

, remove mute

C Tpt. 2

p

, remove mute

F Hn.

p

, remove mute

Tbn. 1

p

, remove mute

B. Tbn.

p

This section of the score shows the brass instruments (C Tpt. 1, C Tpt. 2, F Hn., Tbn. 1, B. Tbn.) playing sustained notes. Each instrument has a dynamic marking of piano (p) followed by a instruction to 'remove mute'. The bassoon part also includes a dynamic marking of piano (p).

225 *pp* se - re - re mi - se - re - re no - bis
tutti *pp*
A mi - se - re - re mi - se - re - re no - bis
T *pp* mi - se - re - re mi - se - re - re no - bis
B *pp* mi - se - re - re mi - se - re - re no - bis

C Tpt. 1
 C Tpt. 2
 F Hn.
 Tbn. 1
 B. Tbn.

(without mute) ,

p

(without mute)

p

(without mute)

p

(without mute)

p

233

Soprano (S) vocal line consists of sustained notes with fermatas.

Alto (A) vocal line consists of sustained notes with fermatas.

Tenor (T) vocal line consists of sustained notes with fermatas.

Bass (B) vocal line consists of sustained notes with fermatas.

C Tpt. 1: Starts with a single note, followed by a sustained note with a fermata, then a series of eighth-note patterns. Dynamics: *mp*.

C Tpt. 2: Starts with a single note, followed by a sustained note with a fermata, then a series of eighth-note patterns. Dynamics: *mp*.

F Hn.: Starts with a single note, followed by a sustained note with a fermata, then a series of eighth-note patterns. Dynamics: *mp*.

Tbn. 1: Starts with a single note, followed by a sustained note with a fermata, then a series of eighth-note patterns. Dynamics: *mp*.

B. Tbn.: Starts with a single note, followed by a sustained note with a fermata, then a series of eighth-note patterns. Dynamics: *mp*.

Gradually Moving Forward ($\text{♩} = \text{c. } 140$)

243 *p*

Soprano (S): Quo - ni - am, tu so lus, so - lus
 Alto (A): Quo - ni - am, tu so lus, so - lus
 Tenor (T): $\frac{8}{8}$, tu so lus, tu so - lus
 Bass (B): $\frac{8}{8}$, $\frac{4}{4}$, $\frac{8}{8}$, $\frac{4}{4}$, $\frac{8}{8}$, $\frac{4}{4}$

Gradually Moving Forward ($\text{♩} = \text{c. } 140$)

C Ptn. 1: $\frac{5}{8}$, $\frac{4}{4}$, $\frac{8}{8}$, $\frac{4}{4}$, $\frac{8}{8}$, $\frac{4}{4}$, $\frac{8}{8}$, $\frac{4}{4}$
 C Ptn. 2: $\frac{5}{8}$, $\frac{4}{4}$, $\frac{8}{8}$, $\frac{4}{4}$, $\frac{8}{8}$, $\frac{4}{4}$, $\frac{8}{8}$, $\frac{4}{4}$
 F Hn.: $\frac{5}{8}$, $\frac{4}{4}$, $\frac{8}{8}$, $\frac{4}{4}$, $\frac{8}{8}$, $\frac{4}{4}$, $\frac{8}{8}$, $\frac{4}{4}$
 Tbn. 1: $\frac{5}{8}$, $\frac{4}{4}$, $\frac{8}{8}$, $\frac{4}{4}$, $\frac{8}{8}$, $\frac{4}{4}$, $\frac{8}{8}$, $\frac{4}{4}$
 Tbn. 2: $\frac{5}{8}$, $\frac{4}{4}$, $\frac{8}{8}$, $\frac{4}{4}$, $\frac{8}{8}$, $\frac{4}{4}$, $\frac{8}{8}$, $\frac{4}{4}$

accel.

With More Motion $\text{♩} = \text{c. } 66$

C Tpt. 1

C Tpt. 2

F Hn.

Tbn. 1

Tbn. 2

molto rall.

261

mf

Soprano (S) - tu so - sus Al - tis - si - mus

Alto (A) - tu so - sus Al - tis - si - mus

Tenor (T) - ⁸ tu so - sus Al - tis - si - mus

Bass (B) - tu so - sus Al - tis - si - mus

Fanfare $\text{♩} = \text{c. } 74$

ff

Je su Je - su Je -

molto rall.

C Tpt. 1 - *mf*

C Tpt. 2 - *mf*

F Hn. - *mf*

Tbn. 1 - *mf*

Tbn. 2 - *mf*

Fanfare $\text{♩} = \text{c. } 74$

ff

31

poco accel.

267

Soprano (S): su, Chris, - te _____ Je su, Chris, -
Alto (A): su, Chris, - te _____ Je su, Chris, -
Tenor (T): su, Chris, - te _____ Je su, Chris, -
Bass (B): su, Chris, - te _____ Je su, Chris, -

The vocal parts sing a rhythmic pattern of eighth and sixteenth notes. The orchestra accompaniment consists of sustained notes and chords. Measure 267 ends with a forte dynamic (f).

poco accel.

C Tpt. 1: eighth note followed by a sixteenth note, then eighth note, then eighth note.
C Tpt. 2: eighth note followed by a sixteenth note, then eighth note, then eighth note.
F Hn.: eighth note, then eighth note, then eighth note.
Tbn. 1: eighth note, then eighth note, then eighth note.
Tbn. 2: eighth note, then eighth note, then eighth note.

The brass instruments play eighth-note patterns. The dynamic changes to forte (f) at the end of the section.

Jubilant, ♦. = c. 78

274 *mf*

S

A

T

B

Jubilant, ♩. = c. 78

C Tpt. 1

C Tpt. 2

F Hn.

Tbn. 1

Tbn. 2

C Tpt. 1

C Tpt. 2

F Hn.

Tbn. 1

Tbn. 2

287

S Cum Sanc - to Spi - ri - tu in Glo - ri - a De - i Pa - tris

A Cum Sanc - to Spi - ri - tu in Glo - ri - a De - i Pa - tris

T ⁸ Cum Sanc - to Spi - ri - tu in Glo - ri - a De - i Pa - tris

B Cum Sanc - to Spi - ri - tu in Glo - ri - a De - i Pa - tris

C Tpt. 1 *mp* *f* *mf* *f* *mf* *f*

C Tpt. 2 *mp* *f* *mf* *f* *mf* *f*

F Hn. *mf* *f* *mf* *f* *mf* *f*

Tbn. 1 *mf* *f* *mf* *f*

Tbn. 2 *mf* *f* *mf* *f*

294

S

A

T

B

p

A -

C Tpt. 1

mf

mp

p

C Tpt. 2

mf

mp

p

F Hn.

mf

mp

p

Tbn. 1

mf

mp

p

Tbn. 2

mf

mp

p

302

p

S in glo - ri-a De - i Pa - tris A men _____ A - men A -

A in glo - ri-a De - i Pa - tris A men _____ A - men A -

T men _____ in glo - ri-a De - i Pa - tris A - men A -

B men _____ in glo - ri-a De - i Pa - tris A - men A -

C Tpt. 1

*mp**mf*

C Tpt. 2

*mp**mf*

F Hn.

Tbn. 1

Tbn. 2

C Tpt. 1

C Tpt. 2

F Hn.

Tbn. 1

Tbn. 2

318

S men A - men A - men A - men A -

A men A - men A - men A -

T men A - men A - men A -

B men A - men A - men A -

men A - men A - men A -

C Tpt. 1

f ff

C Tpt. 2

f ff

F Hn.

f ff

Tbn. 1

f ff

Tbn. 2

f ff

Jubilant, $\text{J} = \text{c. } 78$

rit.

Broadly $\text{J} = \text{c. } 100$

molto rall.

330

S

A

T

B

Jubilant, $\text{J} = \text{c. } 78$

rit.

Broadly $\text{J} = \text{c. } 100$

molto rall.

C Tpt. 1

C Tpt. 2

F Hn.

Tbn. 1

Tbn. 2