

EIGHTH NOTE PUBLICATIONS

Utopia

Ryan Meeboer

Utopia is a musical reflection of the bustling life of a big city. It opens using fanfare-like chords, to represent the perfection of this wonderful place. At measure 19, trumpet 2 and the horn are used to reflect the pace of a busy city street. Be sure the notes in this section are played crisp to keep the tempo quick and immediately set the mood of the piece.

At measure 47, the entire ensemble is used to represent the glory of this Utopia. Chords are to be strong, balanced and played with good tone.

The horn introduces a new main melody at measure 56. This is used to represent the evolution of society, while still carrying the rhythmic interest in the trombone and tuba.

At measure 77, the feel of the music changes to half time, and the ensemble should play with the expression to reflect the feel throughout this section.

Fragments of the main melody return in its original form at measure 93 to bring the piece together. Since it uses call and response style, the two parts should be balanced, and brought out over the trumpet riff.

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Ryan Meeboer is a music educator, who obtained his degree through the Ontario Institute for Studies in Education at the University of Toronto. As a composer, he has written and arranged many pieces for concert band, jazz band, and small ensembles. His young band piece, *Last Voyage of the Queen Anne's Revenge*, has been well received by performers, educators, and audiences, and his pieces are starting to be found on festival and contest lists. As a performer, he has had experience in several groups, including concert and stage bands, chamber choir, vocal jazz ensemble, acoustic duets, and the Hamilton based swing group, "The Main Swing Connection".

Ryan began studying music at the age of seven through private guitar lessons. During his years in elementary and secondary school, he gained experience in several families of instruments. Focusing on music education and theory (including composition and orchestration), he attended McMaster University to achieve his honours degree in music. Ryan is currently a teacher for the Halton District School Board in Ontario, where he continues to compose and arrange.

Please contact the composer if you require any further information about this piece or his availability for commissioning new works and appearances.

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Boldly, cut-time feel $\text{♩} = \frac{156}{2}$

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2 3 4 5 6

B♭ Trumpet 1

B♭ Trumpet 2

F Horn

Trombone

Tuba

7 8 9 10 11 12

13 14 15 16 17 18

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19 Common-time feel 20 21 22 23 24

f *mf* *mp*

25 26 27 28 29 30

mf *lead* *mf*

31 32 33 34 35 36

mp *mf*

37 38 lead 39 40 41 42

mf *mf* *mf* *mf*

43 44 45 46 47 48

f *f* *f* *f*

PREVIEW ONLY

49 50 51 52 53 54

f *f*

55 56 57 58 59 60

61 62 63 64 65 66

67 68 69 70 71 72

73 74 75 76 77 Cut-time feel 78

79 80 81 82 83 84 85

86 87 88 89 90 91 92

93 Common-time feel 94 95 96 97 98

mf *f* *mf*

99 100 101 102 103 104

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105 106 107 108 109 110

f *f* *f*

111 112 113 114 115 116

musical score snippet showing measures 111 through 116. The notation includes various musical symbols such as notes, rests, and dynamic markings (f).

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