Sleepers, Wake

J.S. Bach Arranged by Mark Williams

his well-known selection from Bach's Cantata No. 140 is based on a chorale tune by one of Bach's contemporaries, Philip Nicolai. The original theme that opens the piece serves later as counterpoint to the chorale tune at measure 13 and is a unifying factor throughout the work. This theme, with its characteristic sixteenth note rhythms, must be allowed to sound relaxed and unhurried. Students should strive to make the melody sound smooth and graceful so that neither the high notes nor the low notes "jump out." Careful attention to dynamics will ensure the correct dramatic effect of this arrangement. Working for a slightly understated, controlled sound at all dynamic levels will enhance your performance of this revered classic.

Instrumentation

1 — Conductor Score

5 — 1st Flute

5 - 2nd Flute

2 — Oboe

2 — Bassoon

4 — 1st Bb Clarinet

4 — 2nd B Clarinet

4 — 3rd B Clarinet

1 E Alto Clarinet

2 B Bass Clarinet

2 — 1st E♭ Alto Saxophone 2 — 2nd E♭ Alto Saxophone

2 — B♭ Tenor Saxophone

1 — E♭ Baritone Saxophone

3 — 1st Bb Trumpet

3 — 2nd Bb Trumpet

3 — 3rd B♭ Trumpet

1 — 1st F Horn

1 — 2nd F Horn

2 — 1st Trombone

2 — 2nd Trombone

2 — 3rd Trombone

2 — Baritone T.C.

2 — Baritone B.C.

4 — Tuba

1 — String Bass

2 — Mallets (Bells, Chimes)

Percussion (Snare Drum, Bass Drum, Triangle,

Sus. Cymbal)

1 — Timpani

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