

In memory of Sir Vivian Dunn,
a true knight of the Royal Realm and crusader for music worldwide

KNIGHTS OF THE ROYAL REALM

Concert March

ROBERT W. SMITH (ASCAP)

INSTRUMENTATION

1	Conductor	4	Trombone	WORLD PARTS <i>Available for download from</i> www.alfred.com/worldparts
8	C Flute	2	Baritone	
2	Oboe	2	Baritone Treble Clef	Horn in E \flat
2	Bassoon	4	Tuba	Trombone in B \flat Bass Clef
4	1st B \flat Clarinet	2	Mallet Percussion (Bells, Chimes)	Trombone in B \flat Treble Clef
4	2nd B \flat Clarinet	1	Timpani (Tune: C, F, B \flat)	Baritone in B \flat Bass Clef
2	B \flat Bass Clarinet	2	Percussion I (Snare Drum, Bass Drum)	Tuba in E \flat Bass Clef
5	E \flat Alto Saxophone	3	Percussion II (Suspended Cymbal, Triangle, Crash Cymbals)	Tuba in E \flat Treble Clef
2	B \flat Tenor Saxophone			Tuba in B \flat Bass Clef
2	E \flat Baritone Saxophone			Tuba in B \flat Treble Clef
4	1st B \flat Trumpet			
4	2nd B \flat Trumpet			
4	Horn in F			

PROGRAM NOTES

KNIGHTS OF THE ROYAL REALM was inspired by the musical life and talents of Sir Vivian Dunn, a British conductor of international acclaim. In unprecedented recognition for a military musician, he was knighted by Queen Elizabeth for his musical accomplishments and his service to the crown as a director of the Royal Marines Band Service.

KNIGHTS OF THE ROYAL REALM, a concert march in a British style, recalls composer Robert W. Smith's musical experiences with Sir Vivian. While attending Troy State University in Troy, Alabama, the composer was frequently under the direction of this gifted conductor. Sir Vivian's stately manner and warm personality left a lasting impression on the young composer. Mr. Smith pays tribute to those lasting memories and Sir Vivian's impact on the American band movement through this march for the concert band.

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NOTES TO THE CONDUCTOR

In order to convey a true British march style, I would suggest introducing the band to recordings of British bands performing marches by composers such as Kenneth Alford. The listening experience will be invaluable and will enhance the performance experience of KNIGHTS OF THE ROYAL REALM.

The opening phrases, as stated by the clarinets and snare drum, should be very soft, as if the regiment is “in the distance.” With each subsequent entrance by other sections of the band, our musical regiment should get closer to the listener leading to the second time through the full band statement at measure 17.

All trills in the woodwinds should be diatonic. Care should be given to the release of the trills precisely on the next beat in order to ensure clarity throughout the woodwind section.

The stately melody, beginning at measure 24, should be legato, yet with a sense of unhurried forward motion. Please note the dynamic shape and its drastic contrasts while maintaining the stately style.

The transition section, beginning at measure 40, should build appropriately with care given to note lengths in the brass sustains. The resulting Grandioso can be freely interpreted in terms of tempo to suit the performance occasion and ensemble. However, please preserve the very dignified intent throughout.

For further study on the life of Sir Vivian Dunn, I would suggest reading *Fiddler on the March: A Biography of Lt. Col. Sir Vivian Dunn* by Derek Oakley. Additionally, multiple recordings of Sir Vivian’s music are available through various British music resources.

I hope that you and your band find KNIGHTS OF THE ROYAL REALM to be a valuable teaching and performance experience. Best wishes for a wonderful performance!

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Robert W. Smith". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, sweeping initial "R" and "S".

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Regal march ♩=102

C Flute

Oboe

Bassoon

1 B♭ Clarinet

2 B♭ Clarinet

B♭ Bass Clarinet

E♭ Alto Saxophone

B♭ Tenor Saxophone

E♭ Baritone Saxophone

1 B♭ Trumpet

2 B♭ Trumpet

Horn in F

Trombone

Baritone

Tuba

Mallet Percussion (Bells, Chimes)

Timpani

Percussion I (Snare Drum, Bass Drum)

Percussion II (Suspended Cymbal, Triangle, Crash Cymbals)

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div. >

mf

Fl.

Ob.

Bsn.

1

Cl.

2

B. Cl.

A. Sax.

T. Sax.

Bar. Sax.

9

1

Tpt.

2

Hn.

mp

Tbn.

Bar.

Tuba

Mlt. Perc.

Bells

mf

Timp.

Perc. I

pp *mp*

Trgl.

Perc. II

Susp. Cym. *p* *mf* let all cyms. ring unless noted (v)

8 9 10 11 12

Fl. *mf-f*

Ob. *mf-f*

Bsn. *mf-f*

1 Cl. *mf-f*

2 Cl. *mf-f*

B. Cl. *mf-f*

A. Sax. *mf-f*

T. Sax. *mf-f*

Bar. Sax. *mf-f*

1 Tpt. *mf-f*

2 Tpt. *mf-f*

Hn. *mf-f*

Tbn. *mf-f*

Bar. *mp* *mf-f* *Tutti*

Tuba *mf-f*

Mlt. Perc. *mf-f*

Timp. *mf-f*

Perc. I *mf-f*

Perc. II *mf-f* Cr. Cyms.

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