

Alec Roth – **JUBILATE** – words from the Vulgate and BCP 1662

anthem for unaccompanied choir
commissioned by the Musicians Benevolent Fund
first performed by the combined Choirs of St Paul's Cathedral, Westminster Abbey and Westminster Cathedral,
directed by Andrew Carwood, St Paul's Cathedral, London 21 November 2012

Each year the Musicians Benevolent Fund commissions a new anthem for its annual Festival of St Cecilia, for which the Choirs of St Paul's Cathedral, Westminster Abbey and Westminster Cathedral combine, the three institutions taking it in turn to host the Festival Service. *Jubilate* was commissioned for the 2012 Festival at St Paul's, with the particular aim of celebrating the Patron of the Musicians Benevolent Fund, HM The Queen, in the year of her Jubilee.

The text used is the Jubilate, set in both Latin (Vulgate, Psalm 99) and in English (Book of Common Prayer 1662, Psalm 100). The music is celebratory in character and is composed with a resonant acoustic in mind. The Latin text is set first, followed by a contrasting section in which the trebles trumpet out the English text over a dancing accompaniment in the lower voices; the opening music returns briefly to end the work on a joyful note.

DURATION

ca. 6 minutes

FORCES REQUIRED

Unaccompanied choir SATB with divisions

PERFORMANCE MATERIALS

Score

SCORE SAMPLE

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TEXT

Latin Text: Vulgate, Psalm 99

English Text: BCP (1662), Psalm 100

Jubilate Deo, omnis terra: servite Domino in lætitia. Introite in conspectu ejus, in exultatione. Scitote quoniam Dominus ipse est Deus: ipse fecit nos, et non ipsi nos. Populus ejus, et oves pascuæ ejus.
Introite portas ejus in confessione, atria ejus in hymnis: confitemini illi. Laudate nomen ejus, quoniam suavis est Dominus: in æternum misericordia ejus, et usque in generationem et generationem veritas ejus.

O be joyful in the Lord, all ye lands: serve the Lord with gladness, and come before his presence with a song.

Be ye sure that the Lord he is God; it is he that hath made us, and not we ourselves; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

O go your way into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise; be thankful unto him, and speak good of his Name.

For the Lord is gracious, his mercy is everlasting; and his truth endureth from generation to generation.