

Two Pacific Northwest Carols
Christmas Boats

Lyrics & Music by Bronwyn Edwards

For SSAA choir & piano



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From "Two Pacific Northwest Carols"

Composed for the South Seattle College Community Choir
celebrating Seattle's annual Christmas Ships flotilla

For SSAA and piano | (also available for SATB and piano)

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molto legato ♩ = 96

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Piano

The piano introduction consists of three measures in 4/4 time, marked *p* (piano). The right hand features a melody with eighth and sixteenth notes, while the left hand provides a harmonic accompaniment with chords and moving lines. A *L.H.* (Left Hand) marking is present in the third measure.

4

SOPRANO I and II

mp

no breath — 3 —

Christ - mas boats are float - ing gent - ly on si - lent

Measures 4-7 of the vocal and piano parts. The soprano parts (S1 and S2) enter in measure 4 with the lyrics "Christ - mas boats are float - ing gent - ly on si - lent". The piano accompaniment continues with a steady eighth-note pattern in the right hand and chords in the left hand. A *no breath* marking with a slur and a triplet of eighth notes is shown above the soprano line in measure 7.

8

SOPRANO I

waves Oo _____ Oo _____

SOPRANO II

waves Oo _____ Oo _____

ALTO I

Lights a - blaze *poco cresc.* Fes - tive fa - ces re -

ALTO II

Measures 8-11 of the vocal and piano parts. The soprano parts (S1 and S2) have long notes with the lyrics "waves" and "Oo". The alto parts (A1 and A2) enter in measure 8 with the lyrics "Lights a - blaze" and "Fes - tive fa - ces re -". The piano accompaniment continues with a steady eighth-note pattern in the right hand and chords in the left hand. A *poco cresc.* (poco crescendo) marking is shown above the alto line in measure 11.

12

mf

on Christ-mas boats

mp

An - gels from the realms of glo - ry

mf *divisi*

joice with ca-rols on Christ-mas boats

mp

An - gels from the realms of glo - ry

16

mp

Co - lored lights that shim - mer soft - ly on tran-quil

mp

Co - lored lights that shim - mer soft - ly on tran-quil

mp

Co - lored lights that shim - mer

mp

Co - lored lights that shi - mer

p

lakes Oo Oo

p

lakes Oo Oo

On tran - quil lakes mu - sic makes har - mo - ny of

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poco cresc. 3

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mf

on Christ-mas boats

mp

Deck the halls with bows of hol - ly

mf *divisi*

song and sea on Christ-mas boats

mp

song and sea Deck the halls with bows of hol - ly

28

mf Night wraps its cloak a - round them _____

mf Night wraps its cloak a - round them _____

mp Voi - ces fill the

mp Voi - ces fill the

mf

32

mf Shim-mer-ing_ lights re - flect - ing from

mf Shim-mer-ing_ lights, O

mf cold night air Shim-mer-ing_ lights O

mf cold night air Sing_ O