

Two Pacific Northwest Carols
Christmas Boats

Lyrics & Music by Bronwyn Edwards

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

molto legato ♩ = 96

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Piano

The piano introduction consists of two staves in 4/4 time, starting with a treble clef and a key signature of two flats. The music is marked *p* (piano). The right hand features a melodic line with eighth and sixteenth notes, while the left hand provides a steady accompaniment of eighth notes. The piece begins with a first-measure rest.

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Soprano *mp* *no breath* 3

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

Tenor *mp* *no breath* 3

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

This section contains the vocal entries for the Soprano and Tenor parts, along with the piano accompaniment. The vocal parts are marked *mp* (mezzo-piano) and include a *no breath* instruction with a dashed line and a triplet of eighth notes. The piano accompaniment continues with a similar texture to the introduction, featuring chords and moving lines in both hands.

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Soprano

waves Oo _____ Oo _____

Alto *poco cresc.* 3

Lights a - blaze Fes - tive fa - ces re -

Tenor

waves Oo _____ Oo _____

This section continues the vocal and piano parts. The Soprano and Tenor parts have long notes for "waves" and "Oo". The Alto part has a triplet of eighth notes marked *poco cresc.* (poco crescendo). The piano accompaniment features a triplet of eighth notes in the right hand and continues with a steady accompaniment in the left hand.

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Soprano

mf

on Christ - mas boats

Alto

mf

divisi

joice with ca - rols on Christ - mas boats

Tenor

mp

An - gels from the realms of glo - ry

Baritone/Bass

mp

An - gels from the realms of glo - ry

mf

16

mp

3

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

mp

Co - lored lights that shim - mer

mp

3

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

mp

Co - lored lights that shi - mer

mp

p

lakes Oo _____ Oo _____

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

p

lakes Oo _____ Oo _____

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

poco cresc. 3

mf

_____ on Christ-mas boats _____

song and sea _____ on Christ-mas boats _____

mf *divisi*

mp

Deck the halls with boughs of hol - ly _____

song and sea Deck the halls with boughs of hol - ly _____

mf

mf
Night wraps its cloak a - round them

mp
Voi - ces fill the

mf
Night wraps its cloak a - round them

mp
Voi - ces fill the

mf

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

mf
cold night air Shim-mer-ing lights O

mf
Shim-mer-ing lights, O

mf
cold night air Sing O

mf