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This project presents an anthology of Latin American choral music, with examples from periods from the colonial time to the present. It includes notes about each composer's life and the historical context in which the works were created, and explains some of the most striking features of the music.

The anthology is organized in three main section. The first one covers music--mostly sacred music--composed during the colonial era, from the 17<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup> centuries. The second group includes choral music composed after most countries regained their independence from Spain; most of this music is secular. The third group features contemporary compositions written after the 1980s, as well as works inspired by Latin American folklore. The anthology includes scores for music that is in the public domain and songs for which permission to reproduce has been granted, as well as a list of contacts and publishing houses that carry the music. Concert program samples are provided.

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#### Introduction

#### On a Personal Note

When I first moved to the United States from Puerto Rico to pursue studies in choral conducting, I was surprised to learn that no Latin American choral music was included in the curriculum. I could probably have dealt with the fact that no Latin American repertoire was available then, but what really caught my attention was the fact that choral musicians here seemed to have no interest in such music—or perhaps they just were not aware that any such music even existed. I submerged myself in the study of the "standard" choral repertoire, always wishing to find music that would better represent me.

During my college years I met students from different parts of Latin America. Even though we all spoke the same language, I immediately realized how different we were. Through informal gatherings I became acquainted with their music, their rhythms, and their musical instruments. We also shared musical scores that I jealously saved and collected with the idea of performing them someday; most were old photocopied scores or out-of-print publications. I was familiar only with Puerto Rican and Venezuelan choral music, but gradually I learned to recognize names of composers such as Antonio Lauro and Inocente Carreño from Venezuela, Blas Galindo and Francisco Ibarra from Mexico, and Roberto Valera and Beatriz Corona from Cuba.

When I moved to the Washington, D.C., area in 1990, I wanted to start my own choir, but I soon realized that the area had more than its fair share of choirs. I decided it was the

right time to start a choir dedicated exclusively to the performance of choral music from Latin America—and that is how Coral Cantigas was born. Now we could learn and perform the dozens of musical scores that I had been collecting for years. Founding and directing the choir opened more doors to the Latin American choral world for me, and for the choir: we have traveled to Argentina, Venezuela, and Puerto Rico; we have been invited to perform at local and regional choral music conventions; and we have collaborated with other Latin American choral directors and ensembles such as Opus 4 from Argentina and Dessandan from Cuba. Personally I have had the satisfaction of meeting and sharing with choral musicians and musicologists from Latin America—Maria Felicia Pérez from Cuba, Oscar Escalada from Argentina, Egberto Bermúdez from Colombia, Armando Sánchez Málaga from Perú, Waldo Aranguiz from Chile, and Luis Olivieri from Puerto Rico, among many others. These contacts and experiences have encouraged me to do more to advance Latin American choral music in the United States.

Fortunately, Latin American choral music is now making its way into the United States, with frequent choral exchanges between Latin American and American choirs and international festivals. Thanks to that growing interest, more Latin American choral music is being published and therefore becoming available to practicing musicians and music students—for example, Latin American musicians such as Oscar Escalada from Argentina and Maria Guinand from Venezuela have edited and published choral music in the United States. I am happy to be able to contribute to this exciting trend.

## The Purpose of this Anthology

"...music in the Americas turns out not to be peripheral to the history of Western music but an integral part of the story..."

—J. Peter Burkholder

Never before have choirs had so much access to choral music. For the first time in history we are able to purchase music from all over the world through the Internet with relative ease, and hundreds of scores are published every year. Still, it is very hard to find challenging and reliable published editions of Latin American choral music in the United States, and choirs here are missing a vast treasure of music that could add immeasurably to their repertoires and give great pleasure to their audiences. The purpose of this project is to present an anthology of choral music from Latin America that represents the diversity and significance of this music in a broad historical context.

Of course, it would be impossible to summarize the history of choral music in Latin America in an anthology of little more than 20 compositions. But it is my hope that those who encounter this collection will gain a better understanding of the development of choral music in Spanish-speaking Latin America by sampling the work of some of the most well-known and recognized composers of the last four centuries. For each choral composition in the anthology, I provide notes about the author's life and the historical context in which the works were created and point out some of the most striking features

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> J. Peter Burkholder, "Music of the Americas and Historical Narrative," *American Music* 27, No. 4, (Winter 2009): 406.

of the music.

Latin America is a very diverse region, so it would be impossible to represent every single country. Therefore, I have organized the anthology in three main groups.

The first chapter covers music composed during the colonial era, from the 17<sup>th</sup> to the 19<sup>th</sup> centuries. After the Spanish conquerors and colonizers arrived in the Americas, they governed the new territories through a political system of viceroyalties in which the Catholic Church had great power. Music was an important part of the conquerors' plan to convert and acculturate the native peoples, setting the stage for a cultural phenomenon that allowed the creation of new music.

The second chapter includes choral music composed after most countries gained their independence—when the production of choral music declined, sacred music gave way to secular music, and a new-found sense of national pride shaped the creative process of many composers. By the early part of the 20<sup>th</sup> century, however, many composers were again writing for the choral medium—for example, in Venezuela, "madrigals" that combined 20<sup>th</sup> century harmonies with 16<sup>th</sup> century compositional techniques; and in Chile, Mexico, and Argentina, many a cappella works that are now considered classics. The third chapter features contemporary compositions written after the 1980s by a newer generation of composers, responding to Latin American choral ensembles' demand for newer repertoire. These musicians are active composers and conductors, and their works are performed often by choirs all over Latin America and the United States. Finally, the third chapter also includes a group of contemporary works inspired by Latin America's

rich and diverse folklore—works based on traditional rhythms and forms such as the Cuban *son*, the Argentinean *gato*, and the Peruvian *festejo*.

It is my hope that this anthology will serve as an introduction to the study, performance, and dissemination of the vast and rich choral repertoire of Latin America.

#### CHAPTER I. CHORAL MUSIC DURING THE COLONIAL ERA

The Spaniards reached Central Mexico in 1519 and conquered Tenochtitlán, the capital city of the Aztec empire, two years later, in 1521. Cortés and his men were awed by this city built over a lake, with its magnificent buildings and temples, wide streets, and canals. They had never expected to encounter a highly civilized society at the height of its power, where the intellectual life—music, dance, and writing—was highly valued and, indeed, had a sacred dimension.<sup>2</sup>

Singing was very important in pre-Hispanic society, and musicians enjoyed social prestige. For the Aztec nobility, musical activity was as important as military activity: if young nobles were not sent to military school, they were sent to singing school to learn their religious rituals and ceremonies.<sup>3</sup> The musical training of the native cultures was strict: mistakes during religious ceremonies could incur the death penalty<sup>4</sup>.

Once the Spaniards conquered the land, they recruited many Aztecs of noble descent to learn and assimilate the rules and the codes of the new society and its Christian religion. It may be that the natives' musical background helped them assimilate the Christian liturgy relatively quickly. In addition, the Spaniards' custom of building churches and

<sup>2</sup> Mark A. Burkholder and Lyman L. Johnson, *Colonial Latin America* (New York: Oxford University Press, 2001), 19.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Diccionario de la música española e hispanoamericana (2002), "Mexico: Música Precolombina," by Irene Vázquez Valle, vol. 7: 498.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Diccionario de la música española, "Coros: Mexico," by Gloria Carmona, vol. 4: 56.

placing crosses on preexisting religious sites "reaffirmed the sacredness of the location and promoted syncretism, the fusion of Christian and indigenous beliefs."<sup>5</sup>

Two of the most popular song forms the Spaniards brought with them to the Americas were *chanzonetas a lo divino* and *villancicos*, which both had religious texts in the vernacular language (rather than the Latin of the church).

*Chanzonetas a lo divino*. The chanzoneta is a light and festive religious song written in the vernacular. During the Corpus Christi festivities chanzonetas were sung during the procession.

Villancicos. The villancico is a Spanish poetic and musical form that consists of several coplas (stanzas) framed by an estribillo (refrain) at the beginning and at the end. The number of coplas varies, and the estribillo can be repeated several times between coplas. The villancicos often used characters from popular culture—peasants, the town mayor, an altar boy, a priest, or representatives of minority groups like the gypsies. The vernacular texts used by the composers reflected the diversity of ethnic groups in the culture. People in Spain and Portugal had already categorized some of their villancicos as negros, referring to Black characters; gallegos, referring to the people from Galicia; and gitanos, referring to the gypsies. Such villancicos might imitate a specific way of speaking, with a characteristic accent and jargon. This popular aspect made the villancico a favorite musical form among composers, singers, and audiences.

The Spaniards who were in charge of teaching and converting quickly realized that music was an effective tool for imposing their culture on the natives. Missionaries and priests, who learned the native languages to facilitate conversion, set up schools that played a big role in the music education of the Indian population. For example, Pedro de Gante

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Burkholder and Johnson, *Colonial Latin America*, 94.

(ca.1480-1572), a Flemish Franciscan who arrived in Mexico with other missionaries in 1523, founded the Texcoco School, where the Indians learned reading, writing, and music and were taught to play and build musical instruments. Pedro de Gante even wrote *villancicos* for the natives to sing.<sup>6</sup> With time, the students of this school and others like it became the chapel masters, singers, players, and composers in chapels and cathedrals throughout the Americas.

Both secular and religious musicians brought the Iberian tradition of popular religious music to the Americas. Songs with religious texts written in the vernacular language—for example, villancicos and chanzonetas a lo divino—became as popular in Ibero-America during the 17<sup>th</sup> century as they had been in Spain during the 16<sup>th</sup> century. Since these compositions were not as restricted as Latin religious musical forms, they allowed the composers to be creative with text, compositional technique, and performance practice. It is important to realize, though, that regardless of the ethnic origin of the composer or the language of the text, Europe (specifically, Spain) still provided the model for musical compositions.

#### Don Hernando Franco

There were relatively few opportunities for people of native or African origin to be educated and to succeed in society, but some lucky ones enjoyed the protection of their masters and are recognized in the historical records. One such person was Don Hernando Franco. According to Robert Stevenson, Franco was an Indian youth educated at the

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Daniel Mendoza De Arce, *Music in Ibero-America to 1850* (Maryland: Scarecrow Press, 2001), 69.

school of Santa Cruz in Santiago de Tlatelolco, a school built by the Franciscans in 1536 to educate the children of the Aztec nobility. Franco probably chose his Spanish name at the time of his baptism, taking the name of the well-respected composer of Spanish origin, Hernando Franco, who also worked in Mexico. The first song in the anthology is *Dios itlaconantzine*, a chanzoneta by Don Hernando Franco written in Nahuatl, the language of the Aztecs, around 1599. The fact that music composition was not taught at the Santiago de Tlatelolco School might explain "certain weaknesses in the composer's use of counterpoint." However, a few harmonic errors in the form of parallel fifths and octaves do not make this original work less poignant in its simplicity.

## Dios itlaconantzine (c. 1599), by Don Hernando Franco

Original text	English translation <sup>8</sup>
Dios itlaconantzine cemicac	Oh precious Mother of God,
Ichpochtle cenca	Oh eternal Virgin, we earnestly
Timitztotla tlauh tiliya ma topan	Implore of Thee, intercede for us.
Ximotlatolti yn ilhuicac ixpantzinco	In heaven thou art in the presence
In motlaco conetzin Jesu Christo	Of thy dearest Son, Jesus Christ,
Ca onpa timoyeztica	For thou art there beside Him.
Yn inahuactzinco	In heaven thou art in the presence
Yn motlaco conetzin Jesu Christo.	Of thy dearest Son, Jesus Christ.

#### First Printed Music in the Americas

Beginning with the first voyages to the Americas, conquerors and explorers brought books among their belongings. Lay people carried their favorite books, including a few prohibited by the Inquisition, while religious people brought printed material for use in

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> Ibid., 88

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> Robert Stevenson, *Music in Aztec and Inca Territory* (Los Angeles: University of California Press, 1968), 206.

church. Once European composers started migrating to the Americas, they brought European works, either in print or in manuscripts.

During the 16<sup>th</sup> century around 200 books were published in Mexico City, most of a religious nature. The oldest extant book from Mexico is a catechism in Spanish and Nahuatl that dates from 1539. Of those first 200 books, 13 contained music: plainchant portions of the Mass, plainchant sung during canonical hours, antiphons, and other musical forms.

## Juan Pérez Bocanegra

It was not until 1631 that the Americas saw the first printed publication of a polyphonic piece—in Peru. This four-part chanzoneta, *Hanacpachap*, is attributed to Juan Pérez Bocanegra, a Franciscan priest from Cuzco. Written in Quechua, it compares the praise of Mother Earth to the praise of the Virgin Mary, and it was meant to be sung during processions. It is a beautiful musical example of the cultural syncretism that had been going on in the Americas for over 100 years.

## Hanacpachap cussicuinin (c. 1631), attributed to Juan Pérez Bocanegra

Original text	English translation <sup>9</sup>
Hanacpachap cussicuinin	Heaven's joy!
Huarancacta muchascaiqui	a thousand times shall we praise you.
Yupayruru pucomallqui	O tree bearing thrice-blessed fruit,
Runacuna suyacuinin	O hope of humankind,

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> English translation public domain

http://www2.cpdl.org/wiki/index.php/Hanacpachap\_cussicuinin\_(Anonymous); Internet, accessed 4/13/2011.

Callpannapa quemicuinin Huayias caita.

Uyarihuay muchascaita Dios parampam Dios pamaman Yuratoto pamancaiman Yupascalla collpascaita Huahuarquiman suyascaita Ricuchillai. helper of the weak. hear our prayer!

Attend to our pleas,
O column of ivory, Mother of God!
Beautiful iris, yellow and white,
receive this song we offer you;
come to our assistance,
show us the Fruit of your womb!

The fact that both *Hanacpachap* and *Dios itlaconantzine* are among the first works of music ever written in the Americas would justify their performance as part of a program dedicated to music of the Americas. They would also complement a program as part of a set dedicated to sacred choral music in Latin or in any other language. As a Marian song, *Dios itlaconantzine* could be part of a set dedicated to the Virgin, and *Hanacpachap* could be the perfect processional piece to open any program.

## The Viceroyalties: Governance by Church and State

The colonies were governed from Spain by a system of virreinatos (viceroyalties). The Viceroyalty of New Spain was the first, established in 1535 after the conquest of the Aztec Empire. Its capital was Mexico City (formerly Tenochtitlán), and it eventually comprised all the Spanish territories of North America, the Caribbean, and Central America (except Panama). The second most important was the Viceroyalty of Peru, created in 1542 after the conquest of the Inca Empire, with its capital at Lima. It

<sup>10</sup> The Philippine Islands were also incorporated in this viceroyalty in 1565. The administrative units of the

New Spain Viceroyalty included Las Californias, Nueva Extremadura, Santa Fe de Nuevo Mexico, Santo Domingo, Guatemala, Guadalajara, and Manila.

originally comprised most of South America (except Venezuela) as well as Panama. 11

The church in the Americas was nurtured financially and legislatively by the Spanish crown, and it had more cultural and political influence than in Spain itself.<sup>12</sup> Every virreinato had a bishop or archbishop who governed the church with the assistance of a *cabildo* (council of clergymen). The bishop recommended the chapel masters to be hired and was also in charge of writing the rules for the music chapel. The cabildo, which had jurisdiction over the city and surrounding areas within the diocese, voted on appointments, contracts, salaries, promotions, demotions, and dismissals of music employees.

In Spain and Spanish America, during most of the 16<sup>th</sup> century the *chantre* was the person in charge of music in the cathedral. He was the liaison between the chapter and the musicians. In addition to singing, the chantre had to teach singing and rehearse the choir. Eventually the *maestro de capilla* (chapel master) inherited the responsibilities of the chantre. He was expected to direct the choir and the instrumentalists, choose or compose the music for the liturgy, and teach music to the choirboys (the *seises* or *mozos de coro*). He was the master music teacher of the church and, therefore, of the community. Since he was expected to compose and perform music of the highest caliber, he needed to be extremely knowledgeable about counterpoint and figural harmony.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> The Viceroyalty of Peru comprised the administrative units of Panama (1535), Lima (1542), Santa Fe de Bogotá (1549), Charcas (1559), Quito (1563), Chile (1609), and Buenos Aires (1661). With the establishment of the Viceroyalty of New Granada in 1739 and the Viceroyalty of Rio de La Plata in 1776, Peru lost authority first over Colombia, Ecuador, and Panama, and then over Argentina, Uruguay, Paraguay, and Chile.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> Burkholder and Johnson, Colonial Latin America, 92-93.

Following the European tradition, Spanish American cathedrals had two types of choruses: the *coro bajo*, made up of clergy (*canónigos* and *capellanes de coro*) who specialized in the interpretation of plainchant and prayers; and the *coro alto*, made up of professional singers who could be either clergy or laymen. The professional musicians who played the instruments were called *ministriles*.

In the cathedrals the most important instrument was the organ, but other continuo instruments, such as the harp and bass viol, were also used. Other instruments that would double or substitute for the voices were the recorders, shawms, sackbuts, cornets, and the soprano, tenor, and bass *bajones* (bassoons).

#### Music in the Cathedrals

The best-known intellectuals, artists, and musicians of the 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> centuries were related to the church: under the auspices of the church these persons were allowed to create and also received financial support and stability. The music performed in American churches was the same as that performed in the cathedrals of Spain: plainchant, cantatas and oratorios, and polyphonic and concerted motets in the form of anthems, hymns, psalms, and sacred songs. Compositions by the best composers of Spain and Europe—for example, Cristóbal de Morales, Palestrina, Lassus, and Victoria—were found in the cathedral libraries of the New World. During the second half of the 16<sup>th</sup> century, a period of prosperity in Spain, the development and expansion of urban

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup>Egberto Bermudez, *La música en el arte colonial de Colombia* (Colombia: Fundación de Música, 1994), 46-48.

ecclesiastical musical activities were encouraged in both Spain and the New World.

According to musicologist Egberto Bermúdez, the clergy became more influential in the establishment of social and cultural institutions in America. "A thriving church offered musicians improved professional, social and economic opportunities." <sup>14</sup> Thus it is no surprise that vast amounts of cathedral music<sup>15</sup> were produced in Mexico and Peru.

#### Gutierre Fernández Hidalgo (ca.1533-1620)

The careers of Spanish composers like Gutierre Fernández Hidalgo (ca. 1553-1620) "exemplify the mobility, dynamism, and opportunities available in Spanish musical spheres." Born in Talavera de la Reina, Spain, Fernández Hildago is considered an outstanding composer of polyphony. By the time he arrived in Bogotá, Colombia, he was already an accomplished musician. The bishop named him chapel master of the Bogotá Cathedral and rector of the San Luis seminary. The Bogotá Cathedral's *libro de coro*, a choir book dated 1584, contained some of Fernández Hildago's best compositions—ten psalms, three Salves, and nine settings of the Magnificat on the ecclesiastic tones—along with music by Francisco Guerrero, Rodrigo de Ceballos, and Tomás Luis de Victoria.

After a brief stay in Colombia, Gutierre Fernández Hidalgo became chapel master for several years at Quito Cathedral in what is now Ecuador. Then he moved to the city of Cuzco (Peru) until 1597, when he became chapel master at the cathedral of La Plata in

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>14</sup> Egberto Bermúdez, "Urban musical life in the European colonies: Examples from Spanish America in 1560-1650," in *Music and Musicians in Renaissance Cities and Towns*, ed. Fiona Kisby (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2001), 42

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>15</sup> Cathedral music refers not only to the music practiced in the cathedrals, but also to music performed by other religious organizations such as monasteries, convents, and religious schools.

<sup>16</sup> Ibid.

modern-day Bolivia, where he stayed until his death. The music chapels at these cathedrals benefited greatly from his high level of musicianship as teacher and composer.

In his music, Fernández Hidalgo "experiments with different textures, he varies the placement of the plainchant formula among the voices and makes good use of canonical imitation." These traits can be appreciated in his beautiful setting of the psalm *Laetatus Sum in His*. The motet is introduced by a reciting tone, continues with two subdivided sections, and ends with the *Gloria Patri*. The first two subdivisions start with a solid homophonic measure followed by several polyphonic measures; the first superior voice is almost a literal quote from the chant. The third section shows some canonic writing between the tenor and the second superior voice. According to Gerard Béhague, Gutierre Fernández Hidalgo's music shows a superior mastery of technique that places him among the best composers of the late Renaissance period. <sup>18</sup>

## Laetatus Sum in His, motet by Gutierre Fernández Hidalgo

Original text	English translation <sup>19</sup>
Laetatus sum in his, quae dicta sunt mihi:	I rejoiced at the words that were spoken unto me:
In domum Domini íbimus.	"We shall go into the house of the Lord"
Stantes erant pedes nostri in atriis tuis, Jerusalem;	Our feet were standing in your courts, O Jerusalem,
Illuc enim ascenderunt tribus, tribus Domini, testimonium Israel,	For whither the tribes ascended, the tribes of the Lord. Israel's covenant is to profess

<sup>17</sup> Mendoza De Arce, *Music in Ibero-America*, 135.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>18</sup> Gerard Béhague, Music in Latin America: an introduction, 29-30.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>19</sup> Ron Jeffers, comp., *Translations and Annotations of Choral Repertoire*, Vol. I (Corvallis: earthsongs, 1988) 136.

ad confitendum nomini Domini.	the name of the Lord.
Rogate quae ad pacem sunt Jerusalem et abundantia diligentibus te.	Pray for the peace of Jerusalem, Ask abundance for those that love you.
Propter fratres meos et proximos meos loquebar pacem de te.	For the sake of my brothers and neighbors, I have spoken peace into you;
Gloria Patri, et Filio, et Spiritui Sancto.	Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.

Juan Gutiérrez de Padilla (ca. 1590-1664)

Juan Gutiérrez de Padilla is one of the most performed and researched composers of colonial Mexico. He was born around 1590 in the southern Spanish city of Málaga, where he studied with Francisco Vázquez, the chapel master of Málaga Cathedral. By the time he left Spain he had been chapel master of the cathedrals at Jerez de la Frontera and Cádiz. In 1622 he arrived in the prosperous Mexican city of Puebla, whose cathedral choir and music school were well known throughout New Spain and Spain.

Located between Mexico City and the port of Veracruz, the city of Puebla was one of the richest and most important cities of Mexico. The city's wealthy Bishop Juan de Palafox y Mendoza, an art lover, had donated a library, and under his leadership money was invested in the cathedral's music: the choir, the instrumentalists, and a music library that included works by such major European composers as Victoria, De Morales, and the Franco-Flemish Phillipe Rogier. This was the fertile musical environment that Gutiérrez de Padilla found on arriving in Puebla. He became singer and assistant to chapel master Gaspar Fernandes, and he succeeded to the chapel master position on Fernandes's death in 1629.

Gutiérrez de Padilla's sacred music, modeled after the Renaissance polyphonic style of the Spanish cathedrals, included Latin masses (of which his *Misa Ego Flos Campi* is the best known), motets, vespers, psalms, hymns, responsories, passions, lamentations, and litanies. Equally comfortable with the vernacular form as with formal Latin music, he also composed several villancicos, including negrillos. Juan Gutiérrez's music was greatly esteemed during his lifetime. In 1663 the Cathedral Chapter had all of his music collected and bound in a large choir book that is still preserved at the Puebla Cathedral.<sup>20</sup>

Most of Gutierrez de Padilla's works were written for double chorus; a brilliant example is his setting of Psalm 32, *Exsultate Iusti in Domino*. He "conceives each choir as a fourpart unit, using both choirs together as often as he alternates them, in both polyphonic and homophonic sections." <sup>21</sup> He uses both imitative counterpoint and antiphonal singing to create a magnificent effect.

Psalm 32, Exsultate Iusti in Domino, by Juan Gutiérrez de Padilla

Original text	English translation <sup>22</sup>
Exsultate justi in Domino:	Rejoice, o righteous, in the Lord:
rectos decet collaudatio.	praise is fitting for the upright.
Confitemini Domino in cithara.	Give thanks to God with harp:
In psalterio decem chordarum psallite illi.	sing praises to him with the psaltery of ten
	strings.
Cantate ei canticum novum.	Sing to him a new song,
Bene psallite ei in vociferacione	Play well with loud voices.
quia rectum est verbum Domini	For the word of the Lord is right,

<sup>20</sup> Martyn Imrie, CD cover notes, *Streams of tears*, The Sixteen, COR 16059.

<sup>22</sup> Jeffers, Translations and Annotation, 125.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>21</sup> Béhague, *Music in Latin America*, 20.

et omnia opera ejus in fide.	And all his works are done in faithfulness.
Diligit misericordiam et judicium Misericordia Domini plena est terra	He loves righteousness and judgment: The earth is full of His kindness.
Verbo Domini caeli firmati sunt	By the word of the Lord the heavens were made
Et spiritu oris ejus omnis virtus eorum.	And the spirit of them by the breath of his mouth.

There is nothing in the compositional style of Gutierre Fernández Hidalgo and Juan Gutiérrez de Padilla that makes their compositions distinctively Latin American.

Although they were composed in the Americas, these works adhered to the norms and standards of the European composers of the time. Therefore, when considering repertoire for a choir program, *Laetatus Sum in His* could complete a set of psalms composed by others or could be paired with another European Renaissance motet suitable for chamber choir. Since *Exultate Iusti in Domino* was conceived for double choir it would be appropriate for an experienced larger ensemble. Gutiérrez de Padilla's music is reminiscent of the music the Italian composer Gabrieli created for the cathedral of Venice, and it would be the perfect piece to imitate those acoustics by having the choirs sing from different sides.

#### Villancicos in the Americas: Music in the Vernacular

Villancicos were as popular in the colonies as in Spain, and were performed as part of the liturgy during the many religious festivities of the Catholic Church—Christmas and Epiphany, Holy Week, Corpus Christi, and all the feasts related to patron saints and to the Virgin. As in Spain, villancicos in the Americas often featured representatives of minority groups—the Blacks and Indians who populated the conquered continent. The

American *negros*, *negrillos*, or *guineas* imitated the Africans' accents and jargon, often using real words from African-native languages and dialects.

However, we must be careful not to think of this phenomenon as the colonial counterpart of the multiculturalism that is so valued in the 21<sup>st</sup> century. When studying this repertoire we should not forget the brutal conditions in which Blacks then lived: even when they outnumbered the European population, most were slaves and lived mainly segregated from the rest of society. "Spanish professional musicians were not interested in creating fusions of European and indigenous music—they wanted to sound like Spaniards, even in the occasional piece in which they parodied Africans (hardly the same as cultural exchange)."<sup>23</sup>

To better understand the creation of the negrillos, we need to be aware of the important contributions of the people of African descent in Spain and the Americas. Even before the time of the conquest, southern Spain was a culturally diverse place. The Portuguese had been trading slaves from Africa to the Iberian Peninsula since 1441. By the time Columbus arrived in the Americas, more than 35,000 black slaves had reached Portugal, and by the late 15<sup>th</sup> century the Spanish cities of Seville and Valencia had large populations of slaves who worked as domestic servants and unskilled laborers.<sup>24</sup> They were organized by a system of *cofradias* (brotherhoods) associated with the church. According to Robert Stevenson, as early as 1403 there was a black cofradía at Seville

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>23</sup> Geoff Baker, "Latin American Baroque: performance as a post-colonial act?," *Early Music* 36, No. 3 (August 2008): 441-448.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>24</sup> Burkholder and Johnson, *Colonial Latin America*, 29.

with its own chapel.<sup>25</sup> These brotherhoods contributed to the already diverse cultural atmosphere of Andalusía with their festivities, which included floats, dances, and music. In Latin America the cofradías became "a refuge and a 'melting pot' of traditions, allowing people from different regions and conditions to gather and perpetuate some of their rituals and customs under the guise of Christian religious ceremonies while also assimilating important aspects of the European heritage."<sup>26</sup>

Two villancicos included in this anthology, *Eso rigor e repente* and *Los coflades de la estleya*, show the great influence that the communities of African descent had on the music of Latin America.

## Gaspar Fernandes (ca. 1570-1629)

Gaspar Fernandes, a Portuguese-born composer, worked as chapel master in Antigua, Guatemala, before coming to Puebla, Mexico. Even though Fernandes composed some sacred liturgical music such as Masses and Magnificats, he was most prolific in writing secular music. He left manuscripts of more than 300 polyphonic compositions written between 1609 and 1616—the most outstanding collection of chanzonetas and villancicos from the Ibero-American world in the first years of the 17<sup>th</sup> century. Fernandes used different languages and dialects for his villancicos. Some of his songs have become very popular among early music ensembles—for example, *Xicochi conetzintle* and *Tleycantimo choquiliya*, two beautiful Christmas lullabies written in Nahuatl, the

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>25</sup> Robert Stevenson, "The Afro-American Musical Legacy," *The Musical Quarterly* 54, No. 4 (October 1968): 484

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>26</sup> Mendoza De Arce, Music in Ibero-America, 83

language of the Aztecs.

Eso rigor e repente is one of these pieces. A guineo for five voices, it was written in 6/8 time with frequent hemiola shifts in 3/4, a common characteristic of the African villancicos. The texture of the refrain is that of a soloist answered by the chorus: a "call and response" style.

# Eso rigor e repente, guineo by Gaspar Fernandes

Original text	English translation <sup>27</sup>
Ese rigor e repente	This I say firmly:
Juro a qui se niyo siquito	I swear that that little child,
Aunque nace poco branquito turu	Although he was born white,
Somo nosso parente.	Is our relative.
No tememo branco grande	We are not afraid of the Big White Guy.
Tenle plimo, tenle calje	Let's go cousins, let's dance!
Husie husie paracie	Husihe husihe paraçia,
Toca negriyo tamboritiyo	Play little dark boy, play the little drum.
Canta Parente.	Relative, sing. Relative, play.
REFRAIN:	REFRAIN:
Sarabanda, tenge que tenge	Sarabanda tenge que tenge
Sumbaca su cucumbe"	Sumbacasu cucumbe
Ese noche branco seremo	This night we will become white.
O Jesu que risa tenemo	Oh, Jesus, how we laugh;
O que risa Santo Tomé.	Oh, how we laugh, Saint Thomas.
VERSES:	VERSES:
Vamo negro de Guinea	Black guy from Guinea,
A lo pesebrito sola.	Let's go to the manger by ourselves.
No vamo negro de Angola	The ones from Angola, don't go,
Que sa turu negla fea	Because you are ugly.
Queremo que niño vea	We want the child to see the Blacks neat and
Negro pulizo y galano	elegant;

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 $<sup>^{27}</sup>$  Translation by Christopher Moroney © 2000, WLP. Taken from <a href="http://www.savae.org/noche.html">http://www.savae.org/noche.html</a>; Internet; accessed 4/22/2011.

Que como sa noso hermano Since He is our brother, Tenemo ya fantasia we have a desire. Toca villano y follia Play a "villano" and a "folia," we will Bailaremo alegremente dance happily. Gargantiya de granate We bring a garnet necklace; Yegamo a lo sequitivo We bring to the child Manteyya rebosico An adorned lace scarf, Confite curubacate Candies from Curubacate. Y le cura a te faxue La guante camisa Gloves and shirt, Capisayta de frisa A cape, Canutiyo de tabaco and a rolled cigar. Play quickly, but with skill: Toca preso pero beyaco Guitarrea alegremente Play the guitar joyfully;

Sing, my relatives.

## Juan de Araujo (1646-1714)

Canta parente:

As a young man, Juan de Araujo arrived in Lima, Peru, with his father, who was a civil official from Spain. He attended the University of San Marcos and became maestro de capilla of Lima's Cathedral from 1672 to 1676 before accepting a chapel mastership at Panama Cathedral. In 1680 he took charge of music at the Chuquisaca Cathedral in what is now Bolivia. Araujo is considered one of the most remarkable musicians of this period in Latin America. He wrote sacred music for two or more choirs including a Passion, a Salve Regina, and a Dixit Dominus for 11 parts. Of around 158 compositions that survive, 142 are villancicos. His negro villancicos "show his ability and creativity in handling vernacular texts by endowing his settings with a secular music flavor through the use of syncopation in ternary meter." Like Gaspar Fernandes, Araujo often used syncopation within the 6/8 meter in his villancicos adding interest to the work by constantly moving from duple to triple meter.

<sup>28</sup> Mendoza de Arce, *Music in Iberoamerica*, 149.

Los coflades de la estleya was the first negro villancico printed in South America. This villancico is about a group of Blacks from the cofradía on their way to Bethlehem to visit their "little Lord" singing the refrain "Gulumbé, gulumbé, gulumbá." The text refers to the Blacks from Guinea and Angola and mentions the ancient African city of Safala in Mozambique. The coplas are sung antiphonally.

# Los coflades de la estleya, by Juan de Araujo

Original text	English translation
Los coflades de la estleya	Brothers and sisters of the League of the Star
vamo turus a Beleya y velemo a ziola beya con Siolo en la poltal. ¡Vamo, vamo curendo aya! Oylemo un viyansico que lo compondla Flasico siendo gayta su fosico y luego lo cantala Blasico, Pellico, Zuanico y Tomá y lo estliviyo dila:	let's all go now to Bethlehem, where we'll see our lovely Lady with our little Lord in the stable. Let's go, let's go running there! We'll hear a carol that Francisco will compose with a gourd to keep the beat; then Blas, Pedro, Juan and Tomás will sing it, and the refrain will go:
Gulumbé, gulumbá guache, guache molenio de Safala.	Gulumbé, gulumbé, gulumbá. Guaché, guaché! O blacks from Safala!
Bamo a bel que traen de Angola a ziolo y a ziola Baltasale con Melchola y mi plimo Gasipar ¡Vamo, vamo curendo aya!	Let's see what Baltasar, Melchor and my cousin Gaspar are bringing from Angola to Our Lady and our little Lord. Let's go, let's go running there!
Gulumbé, gulumbé, gulumbá guache, guache molenio de Safala.	Gulumbé, gulumbé, gulumbá. Guaché, guaché! O blacks from Safala!
Vamo siguiendo la estleya— <i>¡Eya!</i> lo negliyo coltezano— <i>¡Vamo!</i>	let's go, and follow the star,— <i>O yeah!</i> So all you blacks who work at court,— <i>Lets go!</i>

pus lo Reye cun tesuro—*turo* de calmino los tlesban—*¡aya!* Blasico, Pelico, Zuanico y Tomá, ¡aya! vamo tura aya!

Gulumbé, gulumbé, gulumbá guache, guache molenio de Safala.

Vamo turuz loz Neglios—*plimos* pues nos yeba nostla estleya—*beya* que sin tantuz neglos folmen—*noche* 

mucha luz en lo poltal—*ablá* Blasico, Pelico, Zuanico y Tomá, plimos, ¡beya noche ablá!

Gulumbé, gulumbé, gulumbá guache, guache molenio de Safala.

Vaya
nuestra cofladia—*linda*Pues que nos yeba la eztleia—*nuestla*tlas lo Reye pulque haya—*danza* 

que pala al niño aleglan—*ira*Blasico, Pelico, Zuanico y Tomá, ¡linda nuestla danza íra!

Gulumbé, gulumbé, gulumbá guache, guache molenio de Safala.

Vamo alegle al poltario—*plimo* velemo junto al peseble—*bueye* que sin tantuz neglos folmen—*noche* mucha luz en lo poltal—*ablá* Blasico, Pelico, Zuanico y Tomá, plimos neglos bueye ezá!

Gulumbé, gulumbé, gulumbá guache, guache molenio de Safala.

behind the kings with the treasure—All of us!

they carry across the desert—*To the stable!* And you, Blas, Pedro, Juan and Tomás, let's all get going now,

Gulumbé, gulumbé, gulumbá. Guaché, guaché! O blacks from Safala!

Let's go then, all you blacks—*Cousins!* for it guides us there, our star—*Lovely!* from it, like lightning dazzling bright—*Tonight!* 

Lots of light upon the stable—*Will shine!* And you, Blas, Pedro, Juan and Tomás, cousins, what a lovely night there'll be!

Gulumbé, gulumbé, gulumbá. Guaché, guaché! O blacks from Safala!

Move out.

you members of the League—Lovely! for our star is guiding us—Our own star behind the kings, for there—Dancing! to make the Child happy—They go! O yes, Blas, Pedro, Juan and Tomás our dance will go nicely,

Gulumbé, gulumbé, gulumbá. Guaché, guaché! O blacks from Safala!

Let's go with joy to the little stable— Cousins!

Together around the crib we'll see—*Oxen*, the shepherds and the king—*Who's black!* singing to the little Lord—*Who lies there!* Blas, Pedro, Juan and Tomás black cousins, come see the oxen there.

Gulumbé, gulumbá, gulumbá. Guaché, guaché! O blacks from Safala!

The villancico is the quintessential musical form of the Spanish and Latin American Baroque. The villancicos' rhythmic complexity makes them a challenge for any good college choir or early music ensemble; and, since most were written for the Christmas season, they would be a good addition to any holiday program. The villancicos of Fernandes and Araujo present an opportunity to be creative with instrumentation; for example, the conductor may wish to add percussion instruments from the Native American and Afro-American cultures. Fortunately there are many recordings and articles about this music that can provide ideas and guidance.

## The Eighteenth Century

#### Music from the Jesuit Missions

The "conversion of the Indians, the theoretical justification for the Iberian presence in the Indies, was the church's initial priority." <sup>29</sup> Therefore, once music was understood to be one of the most powerful and effective tools of conversion, the religious orders began establishing missions as places for establishing values and ways of life.

The first missions in the Americas were organized by the Franciscans, Augustinians, Dominicans, and Mercedarios, who had begun arriving from the beginning of the conquest. The relatively newly founded order of the Jesuits came into the picture a bit later. Founded in Spain by Saint Ignatius of Loyola in 1540, the Society of Jesus was granted the right to colonize and Christianize the "Guarani Indians" in Paraguay by King Phillip III of Spain, to protect them from the slave raiders. The Jesuits agreed to work with the populations closer to the fringe areas of the Spanish colonies, on the border between the two most powerful colonial territories of Spain and Portugal.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>29</sup> Burkholder and Johnson, *Colonial Latin America*, 92.

To settle the mostly nomadic native groups from this region, the Jesuits founded several towns. These settlements were highly structured communities: everyone, Indians and missionaries alike, worked the land that belonged to the whole community. The crops were shared among all inhabitants, and public services were provided to the poor and needy. There were hospitals and schools, and the members of the community elected and appointed their own town officials. The Jesuits were more flexible than other mission groups, and they allowed the natives to retain and use their language and to practice many of their cultural customs and traditions. The artisans from the missions were organized in associations by their trade—for example, shoemakers, painters, sculptors, blacksmiths, weavers, and musical instrument makers. By the end of the 18th century, when the Society of Jesus was expelled from South America, about 250,000 natives were living in about 100 of the towns the Jesuits had founded.

In a scene from the 1986 movie "The Mission," Jeremy Irons, playing the character of a Jesuit priest, begins to play his oboe, in the hope that the beautiful melody will attract the Guarani natives who live in the area. Fascinated by the sounds of the oboe, the natives gather around him to listen, and eventually invite him to go with them. That movie scene may have not been that far removed from reality, since the natives of the Americas were in many ways enthralled by the music of the conquerors.

Music education was emphasized in the Jesuit missions (also called "reductions"). The

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>30</sup> Geoffrey A.P.Groesbeck, "The Jesuit Missions in Bolivia"; <a href="http://www.boliviabella.com/jesuit-missions-in-bolivia.html">http://www.boliviabella.com/jesuit-missions-in-bolivia.html</a>; Internet; accessed 1/22/2011.

priests taught singing, composing, and instrumental playing. They also taught the natives how to make musical instruments, including violins and harps. Thus the Jesuit order in particular—"a source of capable musicians from varied European national and cultural backgrounds" —was responsible for the high level of musical attainment among the natives. The Jesuits were mostly Spaniards, but there were also Italians, Germans, French, Dutch, and others among them. One of the most talented Jesuit priests was a Swiss musician and architect, the Reverend Martin Schmidt (1694-1772). In a letter to his brother in 1744 he wrote, "Today, all our towns have an organ and sets of violins, cellos, and basses, all made of cedarwood; they have harpsichords, spinets, harps, trumpets and shawms, etc. all by my making, and I have taught the Indians how to play them." <sup>32</sup> As an architect he was also responsible for the design of many of the mission churches.

# Domenico Zipoli (1688-1726)

In the 1970s, while restoring some of the churches in the Missions of Chiquitos in the northeastern part of what is now Bolivia, the Swiss architect Hans Roth found and recovered a group of manuscripts that had somehow survived for 250 years in the humid climate of this region. Among the most important compositions in the collection are those by Domenico Zipoli, a musician of Italian origin <sup>33</sup> who was an organist and composer. A contemporary of Casini, Caldara, and Alessandro Scarlatti, Zipoli is best known for his published keyboard collection *Sonate d'intavolatura per organo e cimbalo*. In 1716 he

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>31</sup> Mendoza De Arce, *Music in Ibero-America*, 31.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>32</sup> T. Frank Kennedy, "Colonial Music from the Episcopal Archive of Concepción, Bolivia," *Latin American Music Review* 9, No. 1 (Spring-Summer, 1988), 3.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>33</sup> Zipoli was born in the city of Pratos, few miles from Florence.

joined the Society of Jesus in Seville, and the following year he embarked for South America with a group of missionaries, settling in Córdoba, Argentina. Even though he finished all the required courses to become a priest, he was never ordained because Córdoba had no bishop.

There is little sign of grandeur in any of the works from this collection of Zipoli's music. The melodic and harmonic simplicity, the limited use of the orchestra (one or two obbligato instruments and basso continuo), and a very modest harmonic and contrapuntal structure may be explained by the fact that music composed in the "reductions" was functional, meant to be played exclusively during the liturgical services. In contrast with the music composed for the imposing cathedrals of the great American cities where longer polychoral works were being performed, the simple music from the "reductions" of Chiquitos serves as testament to one of the most practical and important musical experiences of colonial times.

Domine ad adjuvandum me is an example of the works produced during this period. It was written by Domenico Zipoli in C major, using a simple melodic and harmonic language. The choral texture is entirely homophonic and the orchestra accompaniment includes two violins and continuo. The fact that it was written for soprano, alto and tenor makes it suitable for young voices. The conductor should add dynamics to provide contrast. To better appreciate and enjoy the music from this period it is critical to provide the historical context to both the performers and the audience.

# Domine ad adjuvandum me, by Domenico Zipoli

Original text	English translation <sup>34</sup>
Domine in adjuvandum me festina	Lord, make haste to help me
Deus, in adjutorium meum intende	God, come to my assistance.
Domine, ad adjuvandum me festina.	Lord make haste to help me.
Gloria Patri, et Filio,	Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,
et Spiritu Sancto.	and to the Holy Spirit.
Sicut erat in principio, et nunc, et semper.	As it was in the beginning is now, and will be forever.
Amen. Alleluia	Amen. Alleluia.

# Two American Composers

*Manuel de Sumaya (1680-1740)* 

Manuel de Sumaya was born in Mexico City in about 1680. By this time the music of Spain and Ibero-America had undergone a transformation. Although the church, with its musical institutions, still had great financial resources at its disposal, the influence of Italian music in Spain and the rest of Europe had reached the New World, and many Italian composers and musicians could be found working in some of the Ibero-American cathedrals.

Manuel de Sumaya is considered to be one of the most important *Novohispano* composers from the colonial period. According to musicologist Robert Stevenson,

Manuel de Sumaya "occupies a place in Mexican music equal to that of José de Orejón y

Aparicio in Peruvian music. These two organist-composers outdistance all musicians

<sup>34</sup> Translation taken from <a href="http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Deus\_in\_adjutorium\_meum\_intende">http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Deus\_in\_adjutorium\_meum\_intende</a>; Internet; accessed 4/22/2011.

known to have been born on American soil before 1800."35

Sumaya was a child prodigy who was trained as choirboy and organist in Mexico City's cathedral. He was a prolific composer in both the Latin and the vernacular genres. In 1711, after a challenging competition, he succeeded his composition teacher, Antonio de Salazar, as maestro de capilla of Mexico City's cathedral. In 1739 he moved to Oaxaca, where in 1742 he became chapel master. While in Oaxaca he taught and mentored many talented musicians, and he expanded the resources of the new capilla as he had done in Mexico City. Under his leadership copies of major choral collections and choir books were commissioned for both cathedrals.

Sumaya's skills as composer and organist and his command of the Italian language were recognized even by the viceroy, Duke de Linares, who in 1711 commissioned an opera from him. Sumaya's *Partenope* was the first opera written by a composer born in the Americas.

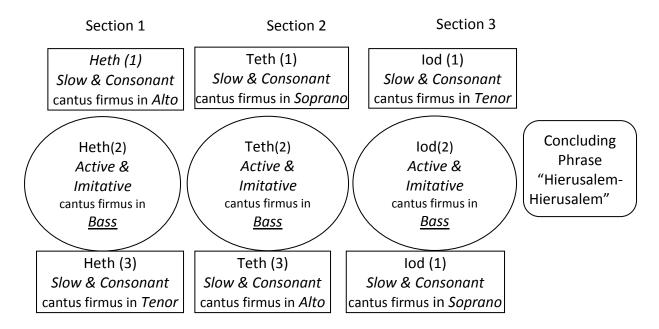
Steven Barwick, in his book *Two Mexico City Choirbooks of 1717*, describes Sumaya as a "sensitive composer with a highly developed contrapuntal technique" De *Lamantatione Jeremiae, Sabbato Sancto* was written for the first nocturne of Holy Saturday matins. While Sumaya wrote the piece in the *stile antico* of the Renaissance period, his use of harmony is closer to that of Baroque technique.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>35</sup> Robert Stevenson, "Mexico City Cathedral Music: 1600-1750," *The Americas* 21, No.2 (October 1964): 124.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>36</sup> Steven Barwick, Two Mexico City Choirbooks of 1717: An anthology of sacred polyphony from the Cathedral of Mexico (Carbondale: Southern Illinois University Press, 1982), xi.

**Example 1: Symetry in Sumaya's Lamentations** 



Source: Craig H. Russell's article "Manuel de Sumaya: Reexamining the a *Capella Choral Music of a Mexican Master*"

Sumaya was a master of balance and symmetry. As we can observe in his Lamentations, he "carefully planned architectural formal structures." Each poetic line is introduced by a Hebrew letter (Heth, Teth, Iod), and each letter is used three times in sequence to introduce three different poetic lines. In the Lamentations, Sumaya follows the first use of each Hebrew letter with slow and consonant music, the second with active and imitative music, and the third with slow and consonant music.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>37</sup> Craig H. Russell, "Manuel de Sumaya: Reexamining the *a Cappella* Choral Music of a Mexican Master." In *Encomium Musicae: Essays in Honor of Robert J. Snow*, ed. David Crawford and George Grayson Wagstaff, 91- 106. Hillsdale: Pendragon Press, 2002.

To reinforce the symmetrical structure, Sumaya quotes the Spanish Lamentation tone every time a Hebrew letter is sung. He distributes "this privilege of quotations equally among the voices: the soprano, the alto and tenor each quote the tune on two separate occasions." Since there are nine occurrences of the Lamentation tone, Sumaya assigns the bass to sing it one extra time.

In several places Sumaya uses word painting to show the emotions in the text. For example, on the phrase "Bonum est praestolari cum silencio (It is good to wait in silence)," Sumaya illustrates the word silence by adding a quarter note rest right after the word "silencio."

De Lamentationes Jeremiae has been recorded by the acclaimed American male choral ensemble Chanticleer.<sup>38</sup>

De Lamentatione Jeremiae, Sabbato Sancto, by Manuel de Sumaya

Original text	English translation <sup>39</sup>
Heth. Misericordiae Domini quia non sumus comsumpti: quian non defecerunt miserationes ejus	Heth. The favors of the Lord are not exhausted, his mercies are not spent.
Heth. Novi diluculo, multa est fides tua.	Heth. They are renewed each morning, so great is his faithfulness.
Heth. Pars mea Dominus, dixit anima mea:	Heth. My portion is the Lord, says my soul;

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>38</sup> Chanticleer. *Mexican Baroque*, Teldec LC 6019, 1994, CD. <sup>39</sup> Ibid., xxxiv.

propterea exspectabo eum.	therefore will I hope in him.
Teth. Bonus est Dominus sperantibus in eum, animae quaerenti illum.	Teth. Good is the Lord to one who waits for him, to the soul that seeks him.
Teth. Bonum est praestorali cum silentio salutare Dei.	Teth. It is good to hope in silence for the saving help of the Lord.
Teth. Bonum est viro, cum portaverit jugum ab adolescentia sua.	Teth. It is good for a man to bear the yoke from his youth.
Jod. Sedebit solitarius, et tacebit: quia levavit super se.	Jod. Let him sit alone and in silence, when it is laid upon him.
Jod. Ponet in pulvere os suum, si forte sit spes.	Jod. Let him put his mouth to the dust; there may yet be hope.
Jod. Dabit percutienti se maxillam, saturabitur opprobriis.	Jod. Let him offer his cheek to be struck, let him be filled with disgrace.
Jerusalem, Jerusalem, convertere ad Dominum Deum tuum.	Jerusalem, Jerusalem, return to the Lord your God.

# José de Orejón y Aparicio (1705-1765)

Born in Huacho, Peru, José de Orejón de Aparicio probably studied under chapel master Rocco Ceruti (ca. 1685-1760), a violinist and composer born in Italy whose Neapolitan style had "brought a secular spirit to the cathedral's music." This contact with Ceruti's music may explain the strong Italian style de Orejón y Aparicio showed in his compositions. His music has been compared to that of Pergolesi, for "the sentimental and lyrical tone of much sacred Italian music of the time."

De Orejón y Aparicio succeeded Ceruti as Lima's chapel master, becoming the first

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>40</sup> Mendoza De Arce, *Music in Ibero-America*, 311.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>41</sup> Béhague, Music in Latin America, 43.

Peruvian-born composer to hold that position. He is considered to be one of the greatest composers of 18th century Peru. Like other musicians from this period, he was well-rounded in the areas of literature, art, and philosophy; and like his Mexican counterpart Manuel de Sumaya, he was also a virtuoso organ player. His *Passion del Viernes Santo* (St. John Passion), written in 1750 for three choirs, is considered his most imposing work.

The cantata *En el Día Festivo* is one of de Orejón y Aparicio's Baroque-style cantatas, written in vernacular Spanish for SSAT choir; soprano 1, soprano 2, and alto soli; and two violins and continuo. The composition "is an exaltation to festivity and to happiness." The text exalts the Virgin through celebration and happiness in nature. For example, with the Spanish word *trino*, which literally means a bird's chirping, the composer is also referring to the human voice joyfully singing. De Orejón y Aparicio shows a preference for a higher tessitura, a common practice in choral music from this period in the colonies. The chorus parts alternate between contrapuntal and homophonic passages, providing textural diversity, and the recitatives are in different keys from the principal key of the work. In this case, even though the work is in C major, the alto aria is in the neighboring key of D minor.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>42</sup> Ibid., 43.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>43</sup> Diana Fernández Calvo, *Jose de Orejón y Aparicio: La música y su contexto* (Lima: Universidad Católica Sedes Sapientiae, 2009) 63.

# En el Día Festivo, by José de Orejón y Aparicio

Original Text	English Translation <sup>44</sup>
Coro	Chorus
En el día festivo voy dichoso	Blessed I go on this holy day
Que ilustra el afecto la aurora mejor	As dawn illuminates true love
Celebren y aplaudan su fulgido triunfo	Celebrate its brilliant victory,
Celebren y aplaudan su fulgido triunfo	Celebrate its brilliant victory,
Con votos la dicha, con trinos, con trinos,	Its felicity with vows, with singing, with
Con luces, la voz.	singing,
Y elebando sus inclitas glorias	With lights, the voice.
La vaga region del heroyco,	And praising its highest glories
Brillante misterio, brillante misterio,	The uncertain territory of the heroic
Se canten las luces con mucho primor,	Brilliant mystery, brilliant mystery,
Se canten, las luces con mucho, con mucho	Sing of its light with care,
primor.	Sing of its light with care, with care
Soprano Recitative	Recitative
Disponed el anhelo en digno aplauso,	Set aside sorrow in praise
A tan sacro buelo,	Of the most holy flight,
Pues con alas, lucientes	Flown on wings glowing
De espíritu ardiente,	With burning spirit,
A la morada eterna de victoria	To the eternal house of triumph,
Oy coronada fue de nueba gloria.	Crowned today anew with glory.
Soprano Aria	Aria
Mas como piadosa o madre de amor (bis),	As a saint, or compassionate mother (bis),
Te vas luminosa al centro mayor,	You go, shining, to the city center,
Mas como piadosa, o madre de amor	As a saint, or compassionate mother,
Te vas luminosa al centro, al centro, al	You go, shining, to the city center.
centro mayor.	Tend to the fervor of those who love You
Atiende al ferbor de aquellos que amados	So much that they feel outcasted without
Se ven desterrados, sin tu alto favor,	Your grace,
Atiende al ferbor de aquellos que amados	Tend to the fervor of those who love You
Se ven desterrados sin tu alto favor, sin tu	So much that they feel outcasted without
alto favor.	Your grace, without Your grace.
Coro	Chorus
Y al claro splendor de luz tan sagrada,	And in the bright splendor of such holy
Componga el acento del vuelo las alas.	light
	Let ring the flight of Her wings.

 $^{44}$  English transaltion © 2011 Allison White.

#### Alto Recitative

O, bella aurora, o deidad, buelve amorosa. Beulva ya tu piedad, pues oy te elevas amante,

Dilate la Gloria que feliz fiel te retraza.

#### Alto Aria

Así divina Diana podrás enriqueser De luz brillante la noche errante Que sin luz tu aurora la tierra llora De no verte amanecer, De luz brillante la noche errante Que sin tu aurora la tierra llora De no verte, de no verte amanecer.

#### Coro

Al empeño bolvamos, si, si, no, no Del asumpto sagrado y luciente La vos pues tenemos, luz mas eminente.

### **Soprano II Recitative**

Mas ay que a tantos rayos Siente el orbe desmayos, Pues con puros esplendores El cielo solo goza sus candors

### Soprano II Aria

No, no, si, si, si, si, no, no, si, si, si, si
Que allá a de habitar
Y aquí a de asistir
Su benign influir
Pues sube a reinar,
Su luz singular
Si alla se condujo
Hara de su Influxo
El don de ilustrar.

#### Coro (da capo)

En el día festivo voy dichoso Que ilustra el afecto la aurora mejor Celebren y aplaudan su fulgido triunfo Celebren y aplaudan su fulgido triunfo Con votos la dicha, con trinos, con trinos,

#### Recitative

Oh beautiful sunrise, oh Goddess, love us. Pity us, since today You rise as a lover, Tell Glory She's made you happily faithful.

#### Aria

This is how, divine Diana, You will Light up the wandering night, Since without Your sunrise the earth cries From not seeing You awaken, Light up the wandering night, Since without Your sunrise the earth cries From not seeing You awaken, You awaken

#### Chorus

Let us go back to our task, yes yes, no no, Of the holy and shining duty: The voice that we have, the most eminent light.

#### Recitative

With more fainting that the globe can feel After countless lightning bolts, Heaven purely takes pleasure in Her candor With all the bright splendors.

#### Aria

No no, yes yes yes, no no, yes yes yes, yes, There we must live in--

And here we must seek out-Her benign influence As She ascends to reign, Her singular light, Which above does shine, Will make of Her influence The gift of illumination.

#### Chorus

Blessed I go on this holy day
As dawn illuminates true love
Celebrate its brilliant victory,
Celebrate its brilliant victory,
Its felicity with vows, with singing, with

Con luces, la voz.
Y elebando sus inclitas glorias
La vaga region del heroyco,
Brillante misterio, brillante misterio,
Se canten las luces con mucho primor,
Se canten, las luces con mucho, con mucho primor.

singing,
With lights, the voice.
And praising its highest glories
The uncertain territory of the heroic
Brilliant mystery, brilliant mystery,
Sing of its light with care,
Sing of its light with care, with care

# **The Nineteenth Century**

During the 16<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup>, and 18<sup>th</sup> centuries, church music in the Americas benefited from the church's financial and political sponsorship: grandiose cathedrals were built, organs were installed, and well-trained European musicians were sent to train new musicians and to carry on the European musical traditions. But by the end of the 18<sup>th</sup> century the privileged position of the church had become weakened thanks to several factors that begun to transform the American societies— the American and French Revolutions, and the flow of ideas that resulted from the Enlightenment, both served as inspiration to Latin Americans who were promoting the ideals of independence.

### The School of Chacao

Venezuela had not enjoyed the "early flowering of colonial sacred music found in other Latin American regions that had special attractiveness for peninsular monarchs." It did not have the minerals and wealth of the Peruvian and Mexican viceroyalties, where the Spanish monarchs had invested in developing music and art to high levels. But in Caracas, the poor conditions that had prevented musical development during the 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> centuries started to change when a young priest, Father Pedro Palacios Sojo (1739-

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>45</sup> Marie Elizabeth Labonville, *Juan Bautista Plaza and musical nationalism in Venezuela* (Bloomington: Indiana University, 2007), 4.

1799), founded the Congregation of the Oratorio de San Felipe Neri, modeled after the Italian order. 46 After a trip to Madrid and Rome, Father Sojo brought back musical instruments and scores "of sacred works by famous composers of the time, among which were probably some by Pergolesi."47 The congregation successfully administered a music school under the direction of a mulatto musician named Juan Manuel Olivares (1760-1797).

Father Sojo, who came from a wealthy family, became a patron and supporter of the arts. He was the owner of a hacienda named La Floresta, where musicians associated with the Oratorio spent endless hours sharing, performing, and discussing music. Music by Haydn, Mozart, and Pleyel circulated among those who participated in the *veladas* musicales (evening gatherings) at the Floresta. This group of musicians, "the first generation of Venezuelan composers from whom music still exists,"48 became better known as the Escuela de Chacao. Most of the music from this period are sacred works for choir, soloists, and orchestra.

This cultural growth continued during the early years of the 19<sup>th</sup> century. A second generation of composers from the Chacao School was influenced by the music of Gluck, Haydn, and Mozart. 49 Venezuelan musician Juan Bautista Plaza asserts that this second generation of composers "not only assimilated the delicate and simple quality of the

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>46</sup> Congregation of the Oratorio de San Felipe de Neri is a congregation of secular priests and lay persons initiated by San Felipe Neri (1515-1595) in Rome.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>47</sup> Juan Bautista Plaza and Conchita Rexach, "Music in Caracas during the colonial period," *The musical* quarterly 29, No. 3 (April 1943): 200.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>48</sup> Mendoza De Arce, *Music in Ibero-America*, 306.
<sup>49</sup> Plaza and Rexach, "Music in Caracas": 203.

masterworks they adopted as models, but, being original, they succeeded in creating a personal style, so that their music is the expression of the most exquisite nuances of the Venezuelan colonial soul, or, at least, of its mystical essence."

### Cayetano Carreño (1774-1836)

Among this second generation of Chacao School composers was Cayetano Carreño, a music teacher, organist, and composer who was "the most respected musician of his generation." The fact that Carreño had been abandoned at a church at birth may explain his choice of poignant biblical texts for his compositions. Among his best-known works are a Requiem Mass and two sacred motets written in 18<sup>th</sup> century European style: *Tristis est anima mea* and *In monte Oliveti*.

*In monte Oliveti* is a motet in F minor for four-part choir, tenor, and orchestra: oboe, clarinet in C, two French horns, and strings. According to Walter Guido, Carreño's orchestration, like that of other colonial composers, is much like the orchestration Haydn used in many of the symphonies he wrote between 1759 and 1774.<sup>51</sup>

The text of *In monte Oliveti* comes from Matthew 26: 39-41. This relatively short piece is written in the homophonic style characteristic of the Viennese classical period.<sup>52</sup> It opens with a poignant instrumental introduction, followed by the chorus stating in simple chords, "On Mount Olivet, he prayed to his father." A second section, sung by a solo

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>50</sup> Ibid., 204.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>51</sup> Walter Guido, *José Angel Lamas y su época* (Caracas: Biblioteca Ayacucho, 1981), 8.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>32</sup> Ibid., 8.

tenor, reproduces the words of Christ in ornate Italianate style, accompanied by the strings: "Father, if it is possible, let this cup pass from me. The spirit indeed is ready but the flesh is weak. Thy will be done." In a third section the chorus serves as narrator, singing, "And he came to his disciples and found them asleep, and he said to Peter." The last section starts with another tenor solo, accompanied by the strings, singing the words of Jesus: "Could you not watch one hour with me? Watch and pray, that you do not enter into temptation." Finally the chorus answers: "The spirit is ready, but the flesh is weak. Thy will be done."

The choral parts are always accompanied by the full orchestra, and they are written in simple chordal homophony. By contrast, the tenor solos are written in bel canto style, showing the influence of the Italian opera during this era. *In monte Oliveti* is a fine example of Carreño's work: simple harmonies, beautiful melodies, and a profound sense of religiosity.

# In monte Oliveti, by Cayetano Carreño

Original text	English translation <sup>53</sup>
In monte Oliveti oravit ad Patrem:	On mount Olivet he prayed to his father:
Tenor solo	Tenor solo
Pater mi, si posibile est,	Father, if it is possible,
Transeat a me calyx iste.	let this cup pass from me.
Spiritus quidem promptus est,	The spirit indeed is ready,
Caro autem infirma:	But the flesh is weak.
Fiat voluntas tua.	Thy will be done.

<sup>53</sup> English translation edited by Diana Sáez.

#### Chorus

Et venit ad discipulos suos, Et invenit eos dormientes, Et dicit Petro:

#### Tenor solo

Sic non potuistis una hora vigilare mecum? Vigilate, et orate, ut non intretis in tentationem.

#### Chorus

Spiritus quidem promptus est, Caro autem, infirma. Fiat voluntas tua,

#### Chorus

And he came to his disciples, And found them asleep. And he said to Peter:

#### Tenor solo

Could you not watch one hour with me? Watch and pray,
That you do not enter into temptation.

#### Chorus

The spirit is indeed is ready, But the flesh is weak. Thy will be done.

The performance of this piece would be appropriate for a good high school or college choir. It would be a good way to introduce young singers to the classical style before moving on to more challenging works by Haydn or Mozart.

During Carreño's 40-year tenure as chapel master at the Caracas cathedral, Venezuela was struggling for independence. Influenced by this atmosphere, he wrote several patriotic songs—as did other composers from his generation—and even offered his cathedral musicians to play during the proclamation of independence in 1811. <sup>54</sup> Thus his life marks a time of transition in Latin American music—from nearly three centuries of Spanish-dominated music to the more distinctively American voice that began to evolve in the late 19<sup>th</sup> century and continues to grow and develop today.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>54</sup> Alberto Calzavara, *Historia de la música en Venezuela* (Venezuela: Fundación Pampero, 1987), 89-92.

#### CHAPTER II. CHORAL MUSIC AFTER INDEPENDENCE

By 1825 most American colonies had gained their independence from Spain. As the church's financial resources dwindled, sacred music gave way to secular music. After independence, music making was mainly for the new urban bourgeois class, who could afford the private music lessons for their children that were considered essential in their social milieu. Affluent families organized *tertulias* (*soirées*) where intellectuals and artists gathered not only to talk about the new political trends, but to listen to performances of vocal and instrumental music. As in many places in Europe, these middle-class citizens of Latin America were attracted to virtuoso instrumental playing. They tended to look to France as their new cultural model, although they still shared a love for Italian opera. Opera and zarzuela<sup>55</sup> companies visited from Europe, and philharmonic societies and opera companies were founded in various cities of Latin America.

Attracted to cosmopolitan cities like Buenos Aires and Mexico City, professional and amateur musicians from all over Europe started migrating to the Americas. These musicians played an important role in the development of music during the later part of the 19<sup>th</sup> century. Both immigrants and native musicians established schools to teach vocal and instrumental music, and the foundation of the philharmonic societies opened the doors for the establishment of music conservatories to prepare and promote native talent.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>55</sup> Zarzuela is the national music theather of Spain.

After centuries of Spanish political and cultural domination, the newly formed state governments passed legislation to provide some support for music and art. National conservatories, national orchestras, and national choruses were founded with support from the state<sup>56</sup> to prepare a musically educated citizenry. Unfortunately, even with the new policies to support the arts, in most countries the large economic disparities between rich and poor "made uniformity and equality in education extremely difficult." In addition, the wide gap between the rural and urban populations further restricted access to a good musical education. Nevertheless, 20<sup>th</sup> century Latin America saw the creation of some of the most beautiful choral works in the history of the continent.

#### Nationalism vs. Neoclassicism

By the end of the 19<sup>th</sup> century, "a definable national musical style appeared" in Latin American countries, <sup>58</sup> as it had appeared not long before in countries like Russia, Finland, Czechoslovakia, and Spain as a reaction against the musical "supremacy" of European countries like Germany and Italy. Throughout Latin America musicians went in search of their roots, seeking inspiration in the folklore of their countries—in their rich traditions of folk melodies and dance rhythms. In Mexico, for example, many musicians and intellectuals belonged of the "Indianist" movement, which synthesized elements from native music with the basic principles of Western music (similar to the movement in the United States between the 1880s and the 1920s) to forge a national cultural identity. <sup>59</sup> In

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>56</sup> Suzanne Spicer Tiemstra, *The Choral Music of Latin America: A guide to compositions and research* (New York: Greenwood Press, 1992), 17.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>57</sup> Ibid.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>58</sup> Gerard Béhague, *Music in Latin America: An introduction* (New Jersey: Prentice Hall, 1979), 96.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>59</sup> Gerard Behague, "Music, c. 1920-c. 1980," in A general history of Latin America: Literature, Music and

Argentina a number of composers continued the nationalist trend initiated by Alberto Williams (1862-1952) at the end of the 19<sup>th</sup> century. Latin American musicians were finally ready to create, promote, and gain ownership of their art.

Although musical nationalism dominated the Latin American scene during the first half of the 20<sup>th</sup> century, other trends started to develop around the same time. Several composers, concerned that the nationalist musical movement was "resorting to a facile exotic regionalism," adhered to other compositional styles and techniques, such as neo-Classicism. Even composers who had started writing in the nationalist style turned to neoclassicism later in their career. In Chile, for example, "Indianism and nationalism had few adherents," and the music in that country kept a link to the European forms from the post-Romantic, Impressionist, Expressionist, and neo-Classical styles; and in Venezuela and Puerto Rico some early 20<sup>th</sup> century musicians composed contrapuntal madrigals and motets reviving the idioms of the 16<sup>th</sup> century. This section of the anthology refers only to choral compositions written in the nationalist or neoclassical styles.

the Visual Arts in the 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> centuries, ed. Leslie Bethhell (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 1998): 311.

<sup>60</sup> Ibid., 224.

Neo-classicism – a movement of the 20<sup>th</sup> century music that is characterized by the inclusion of features derived from music of the 16<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> centuries into contemporary styles.

#### Mexico

Blas Galindo (1920-1993)

Blas Galindo started his music education at the relatively late age of 19.<sup>63</sup> A full-blooded Huichol, in 1930 he left the small town of San Gabriel in the state of Jalisco to move to Mexico City. With a strong commitment to social justice, he planned to become a lawyer; but after hearing a concert conducted by the renowned Mexican composer and conductor Silvestre Revueltas, he had a change of heart and decided to become a musician. Helped by a good sense of self-discipline he started his musical studies from the basics. While at the conservatory he studied under the direction of Carlos Chávez (1899-1978), one of the first exponents of Mexican nationalism. Thanks to the mentorship and support of Chávez, he spent two summers at the Berkshire Festival, where he studied with Aaron Copland. After 12 years of study he graduated in 1944 with a degree of *maestro de composición*. In 1947 he was appointed director of the Mexico City Conservatory, a position he held until 1961.

With three other former students of Chávez, Galindo formed "Grupo de los Cuatro," after the French "Les Six" and the "Russian Five," to bring attention to Mexican nationalistic music. His most famous orchestral composition was *Sones de Mariachi*, a piece based on several popular songs from the Mexican tradition that has become a staple of the modern Mexican symphonic repertoire.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>63</sup> Robert Stevenson, *Music in Mexico: A historical survey* (New York: Thomas Y. Crowell Company, 1952), 255.

Blas Galindo's catalog of works includes many solo and choral vocal works. He once noted that no one was interested in playing his brass quartet or quintet compositions, but "if I write a song, there's immediately someone interested in singing it." Not everything Galindo wrote was in the nationalist style. His 1948 choral piece *Me gustas cuando callas* belongs to the neo-Classical style he used during the 1940s and '50s. For this short a cappella piece, Galindo chose several verses from Poem #15 of Pablo Neruda's collection *Twenty Love Poems and a Song of Despair*. (Neruda [1904-1973], a Chilean Nobel Laureate who wrote these poems when he was only 19, has inspired many Latin America and U.S. composers.) *Me gustas cuando callas* shows some of Blas Galindo's most famous compositional traits, such as the use of pandiatonic scale and the frequent use of parallel fourths and fifths, especially between tenors and basses. 66

# Me gustas cuando callas, by Blas Galindo

Original text	English translation <sup>67</sup>
Me gustas cuando callas porque estás como ausente,	It pleases me when you grow silent, as though you were absent,
Y me oyes desde lejos, y mi voz no te toca.	and you hear me from afar, and my voice does not touch you.
Parece que los ojos se te hubieran volado	It seems that your eyes have flown from you

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>64</sup> Roberto García Bonilla, *Visiones Sonoras: Entrevistas con compositores, solistas y directores* (Mexico DF: Siglo XXI editores, 2001), 45.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>65</sup> Pandiatonic – refers to the technique of using the diatonic scale instead of the chromatic scale without the limitation of functional harmony. Pandiatonic music typically uses the notes of the diatonic scale freely in dissonant combinations without conventional resolutions and/or without standard chord progressions, sometimes to the extent that no single pitch is felt as a tonic.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>66</sup> Béhague, Music in Latin America, 255.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>67</sup> English translation © 2011 Coral Cantigas, edited by Diana Sáez.

and it seems that a kiss has closed your mouth. y parece que un beso te cerrara la boca. As everything is filled with my soul, Como todas las cosas están llenas de mi alma you emerge from everything, filled with that soul emerges de las cosas, llena del alma mía. Dream butterfly, you resemble my soul Mariposa de sueño, te pareces a mi alma, and you resemble the word melancholy. y te pareces a la palabra melancolía; It pleases me when you grow silent and are as if far away. Me gustas cuando callas y estás como distante.

# *Rodolfo Halffter (1900-1987)*

Rodolfo Halffter was born in Madrid to a Catalonian mother and a German father. A self-taught composer, in Spain Halffter took part in the intellectual atmosphere that permeated Madrid during the 1920s as part of the composers' society "Grupo de los Ocho." In contrast to Blas Galindo's Mexican "Grupo de los Cuatro," which wanted to create a Mexican classical idiom, the "Spanish Ocho" composers sought to promote and explore the new music by composers such as Debussy, Ravel, Schönberg, and Bartok.

Unfortunately, after the Spanish civil war of 1936-1939, Halffter was forced to go into exile in Mexico because of his views against the dictator Francisco Franco.

In Mexico Halffter became a friend of Carlos Chávez and Blas Galindo and taught musical analysis at the National Conservatory. For many years he was the editor of the Mexican publishing company Ediciones Mexicanas, which published the music of Mexican composers, including Galindo. Among the many honors that Rodolfo Halffter

received was a life membership in the Mexican Academy of Fine Arts, conferred in 1969, and the Encomienda con Placa de la Orden Civil de Alfonso X el Sabio, presented by the Spanish Government in 1973.

Most of Halffter's music belongs to the neo-classical style of the early 20<sup>th</sup> century, but by 1953 he started using 12-note serialism. He has been credited with introducing the serial composition technique to Mexico.

Tres epitafios are three pieces for a cappella chorus, composed between 1947 and 1953 in a "reserved neo-Classical style." For this work Halffter used three epitaphs dedicated to Don Quijote, Dulcinea, and Sancho Panza from the classic *Don Quijote de la Mancha* by Miguel de Cervantes. Tres epitafios combines both modal and tonal harmonies. The use of modality and frequent moves from duple to triple meters produces a medieval sound in certain sections. In the piece dedicated to Dulcinea, Hallfter adds elements from Spanish folkloric music, such as ornamental triplets and Phrygian cadences in the sopranos.

### Tres Epitafios, by Rodolfo Hallfter

Original text	English translation <sup>69</sup>
(para don Quixote)	(for Don Quixote)
Yace aquí el Hidalgo fuerte que a tanto extremo llegó	A doughty gentleman lies here;
de valiente, que se advierte	A stranger all his life to fear;
que la muerte no triunfó	Nor in his death could Death prevail,
de su vida con su muerte.	In that last hour, to make him quail.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>68</sup> Béhague, *Music in Latin America*, 255.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>69</sup> English translation from <a href="http://www.literaturecollection.com/a/cervantes/don-quixote/54/">http://www.literaturecollection.com/a/cervantes/don-quixote/54/</a>. Internet accessed on 4/11/2011.

Tuvo a todo el mundo en poco; fue el espantajo y el coco del mundo, en tal coyuntura, que acreditó su ventura morir cuerdo y vivir loco. He for the world but little cared; And at his feats the world was scared; A crazy man his life he passed, But in his senses died at last.

# (para Dulcinea)

Reposa aquí Dulcinea; y, aunque de carnes rolliza, la volvió en polvo y ceniza la muerte espantable y fea. Fue de castiza ralea, y tuvo asomos de dama; del gran Quijote fue llama, y fue gloria de su aldea.

# (for Dulcinea)

Here Dulcinea lies.
Plump was she and robust:
Now she is ashes and dust:
The end of all flesh that dies.
A lady of high degree,
With the port of a lofty dame,
And the great Don Quixote's flame,
And the pride of her village was she.

# (para Sancho Panza)

Sancho Panza es aqueste, en cuerpo chico, pero grande en valor, ¡milagro extraño! Escudero el más simple y sin engaño que tuvo el mundo, os juro y certifico. De ser conde, no estuvo en un tantico, si no se conjuraran en su daño insolencias y agravios del tacaño siglo, que aun no perdonan a un borrico. Sobre él anduvo (con perdón se miente) este manso escudero, tras el manso caballo Rocinante y tras su dueño. ¡Oh vanas esperanzas de la gente! ¡Cómo pasáis con prometer descanso y al fin paráis en sombra, en humo, en sueño!

### (for Sancho Panza)

The worthy Sancho Panza here you see; A great soul once was in that body small, Nor was there squire upon this earthly ball So plain and simple, or of guile so free. Within an ace of being Count was he, And would have been but for the spite and gall Of this vile age, mean and illiberal, That cannot even let a donkey be. For mounted on an ass (excuse the word), By Rocinante's side this gentle squire Was wont his wandering master to attend. Delusive hopes that lure the common herd With promises of ease, the heart's desire, In shadows, dreams, and smoke ye always end.

# **Argentina**

"Compongo música porque lo amo, amo melodía, amo cantar. Y he averiguado con placer que hay un público fuera allí muy interesado en mi música siempre que la publique. ¡Eso es fantástico! Me niego a solo componer música pensada

para ser descubierta y entendida por generaciones futuras."

—Carlos Guastavino

Carlos Guastavino (1912-2000)

When we think of Argentina's 20<sup>th</sup> century music, the composer Alberto Ginastera is the first that comes to mind. However, among Latin American choral musicians, Carlos Guastavino's name is most recognized. And even though both composers are strongly associated with musical nationalism in Argentina, they represent two different musical styles and philosophies.

Carlos Guastavino never felt comfortable with the new 20<sup>th</sup> century compositional trends. He publicly expressed disdain for dodecaphony and atonal music in general, seeing tonality "as the only legitimate basis for writing music." Guastavino was often criticized by his contemporaries and the press for being traditional and conservative in his writing. In contrast to other Latin American composers of the time, he did not attempt to compose in the neoclassical style of Stravinsky and Bartok. His music was always within the limits of tonality; but in the words of Jonathan Kulp, who has studied Guastavino's music, "He was capable of far greater harmonic sophistication than that for which he is generally credited."

Carlos Guastavino was born in the province of Santa Fe, Argentina. In 1938 he moved to

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>70</sup> Jonathan Kulp, "Carlos Guastavino: A Re-evaluation of his harmonic language," *Latin American Music Review* 27, No. 2 (Autumn/Winter, 2006) 198.

Buenos Aires, where he studied composition and piano privately. Guastavino was a prolific composer, writing for piano, guitar, choir, chamber ensemble, and solo voice. He originally composed *Se equivocó la paloma* in 1941 as an art song. It might be his most well-known melody, and it was probably the most "reworked piece in all of Guastavino's output"<sup>72</sup>: there are arrangements for women's a cappella choir, for women's choir and orchestra, for soprano and orchestra, and even for two pianos. In 1952 Guastavino made an arrangement for a cappella mixed choir, which has become a staple among Latin American choirs.

The poem, originally named "La Paloma," was written by Spanish poet Rafael Alberti (1902-1999) in France in 1939 as he fled Spain as a consequence of the Spanish Civil War. This beautiful poem reflects Alberti's feeling of loss and of nostalgia for Spain. It is part of his collection of poems *Entre el clavel y la espada* (*Between the carnation and the sword*), written during his first two years in exile, a period when he expressed his political views through his poems. Once Alberti arrived in Argentina, he became a friend of Carlos Guastavino, who set several of his poems to music.

The setting of this composition is syllabic. The phrase *se equivocaba* ("she was wrong") becomes both a melodic and a textual motive that repeats throughout the piece, stressing the feeling of uncertainty. Even though Carlos Guastavino is considered a romantic-nationalist composer, *Se equivocó la paloma* does not show clear nationalistic musical characteristics. Its melody and harmony are distinctively romantic and expressive.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>72</sup> Francisco Javier Calvo, "Argentine Nationalism in the Choral Arrangements of Selected Art Songs of Carlos Guastavino" (MA diss., California State University, 2007), 49.

# Se equivocó la paloma, by Carlos Guastavino

Original text	English translation <sup>73</sup>
Se equivocó la paloma.	The dove was wrong
Se equivocaba.	She was wrong.
Por ir al Norte, fue al Sur.	Instead of North, she went to the South.
Creyó que el trigo era agua.	She thought that the wheat was water.
Se equivocaba.	She was wrong.
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Creyó que el mar era el cielo;	She thought the sea was the sky;
que la noche la mañana.	that the night was the day.
Se equivocaba.	She was wrong.
Que las estrellas, rocío;	That the stars were the dew;
que la calor, la nevada.	That the heat was the snow.
Se equivocaba.	She was wrong.
Que tu falda era tu blusa;	That your skirt was your blouse,
que tu corazón su casa.	that your heart was her house.
Se equivocaba.	She was wrong.
be equivocate.	one was wrong.
(Ella se durmió en la orilla.	(She, asleep on the shore,
Tú, en la cumbre de una rama.)	And you, in the top of a branch.)
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# Alberto Ginastera (1916-1983)

Alberto Ginastera is recognized as a leading Latin American composer. His name has been mostly associated with the nationalist movement that permeated Argentina during the 1930s and '40s. However, Ginastera's most recognized a cappella choral piece does not belong to the nationalist period that he is mostly known for, nor to any of his other compositional periods. *Lamentaciones de Jeremias Profeta* (Lamentations of the Prophet Jeremiah), three motets for mixed choir, were written in 1946, when he was only 30 years

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>73</sup> Translation © 1999 Neil A. Kjos Music Company, Edited by Diana V. Sáez.

old, during a stay in the United States. Ginastera's *Lamentations* is already a canonic work within the choral repertoire, therefore a deeper analysis of the piece would be redundant in this context.

#### Chile

"In Chile Indianism and nationalism in general had few adherents; the cultivated tradition in Chilean music was strongly Europeanized." This statement by Béhague illustrates the attitude of most Chilean musicians toward the nationalist movement that permeated the rest of Latin America. Music in Chile at the beginning of the 20<sup>th</sup> century was oriented toward the European styles that were closely related to the classical and romantic tradition, like post-Romanticism, Impressionism, and neo-Classicism.

During the early decades of the 20<sup>th</sup> century, Chilean musicians promoted and encouraged the performance of music by European composers from the Renaissance period, the Baroque period (especially the music of Bach), the Romantic period, and the French Impressionist period from the beginning of the century. In 1936 a law was passed to found a National Symphony Orchestra and to stimulate the creation of music by Chilean composers. Among those composers was Alfonso Letelier, who was "classified as 'formalist' because of [his] adherence to the stylistic aims of neo-classicism." <sup>75</sup>

Alfonso Letelier (1912-1994)

Alfonso Letelier was born in Santiago, Chile. While in high school he took private music

<sup>75</sup> Ibid., 334.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>74</sup> Behague, "Music, c. 1920-c. 1980," in *A general history of Latin America*, ed. Leslie Bethhell, 323.

lessons and became an accomplished pianist. After graduation Letelier entered the National Conservatory of Music, where he studied harmony, counterpoint, and composition under the direction of Pedro Humberto Allende (1885-1959), the first Chilean composer "to cultivate a national style in a context of French Impressionist techniques." At the same time as he received his degree in music, he also received a degree in agricultural engineering from the Catholic University of Santiago.

Alfonso Letelier played an important role in the development of the musical culture in Chile. He was instrumental in the founding of the National Association of Composers, which he served as president between 1950 and 1956, promoting the music of Chilean composers in Chile and abroad. In 1957 he became director of the *Revista Musical Chilena*, the only musicological journal in Latin America that has been published with no interruptions since its founding in 1945. Besides his career as composer, he taught harmony, counterpoint, and analysis at the University of Chile and was Dean of the Faculty of Arts and Sciences from 1952 to 1962.

Letelier directed the Letelier-Valdés quartet, a vocal ensemble of his own relatives who enjoyed performing Renaissance and contemporary a cappella music. He also founded and conducted the chorus from the Escuela de Música Moderna in Santiago with the purpose of familiarizing the general public with the choral music of all periods.<sup>77</sup> These experiences certainly explain why Alfonso Letelier felt so at ease writing for chorus.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>76</sup> Ibid., 323.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>77</sup> Composers of the Americas: biographical data and catalogs of their works, vol. 2 (Washington, D.C.: Organization of American States, 1979): 102.

Chilean composers, like their counterparts in other countries of Latin America during the same period, established a close relationship between music and literature. Composers set to music not only the poetry of their national poets, but also that of Spanish poets, other Latin American poets, and even folk poetry. Letelier was no exception: many of his compositions were inspired by the poetry of some of the best Chilean poets, including Nobel Laureate Gabriela Mistral. However, he chose anonymous Spanish texts for the three Christmas villancicos included in this anthology.

The first villancico is a beautiful Christmas lullaby with a simple traditional harmonization; its only contemporary element is the final F Major chord with an added seventh. *En los brazos de la luna* has become so popular in Chile that it is often thought to be part of Chilean folklore. The second villancico is extremely chromatic, moving from chord to chord on almost every syllable; taking us on an interesting harmonic spree from E Major to A flat Major and several neighboring tones in between. In the third villancico the sopranos sing a pastoral melody against the chromatic harmonies that are sung by the rest of the choir. These poems were set syllabically. Even though the songs belong to Letelier's earlier period, the use of polytonality and chromaticism in the second and third villancicos illustrate his distinctive harmonic idiom.

# Villancicos, by Alfonso Letelier

Villancico I	Carol I <sup>78</sup>
V manereo 1	Caron
En los brazos de la luna	In the moon's arms.
Está metidito el sol	
	The moon is sleeping
Que dichosa es la Virgen	Blessed be Mary,
Que así tiene al niño Dios.	Likewise cradling the Son of God.
Esta noche es Noche Buena,	Tonight is Christmas Eve,
Esta noche no se duerme.	Tonight no one sleeps.
¿Acaso duermen las aves	Do birds sleep
Cuando el sol sus rayos vierte?	While the sunbeams shine?
Villancico II	Carol II
Villancico II	Caronn
Qué noche tan clara,	Such a clear night,
Que clara que está	It is so clear
Un sol de los cielos	A sky-born sun
Brilla en un portal.	Shines in a barn.
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Sonríe, sonríe	Smile, smile
Benigno Jesús	Kind Jesus.
Mirad esos ojos	Look into those eyes,
Que son nuestra luz.	Our guiding light.
Se duerme, se duerme	He sleeps, He sleeps
Y empieza a soñar	And dreams
Sueña que nos ama	He dreams that He loves us,
Y nos va a salvar.	That He will save us.
Villancico III	Carol III
Llegaos pastorcitos	Shepherds come
Llegaos hasta el portal	Come to the barn
Sobre unas pajuelas	Lying on poor straw
Al niño vas a encontrar.	You will find Him.
Cantando van los pastores	Shepherds are singing,
De sus rabeles al son	To their music
Saltando de alegría	Jumping with joy
Que van a ver a su Dios.	To see their God.

 $<sup>^{78}</sup>$  English translation © 1999 Coral Cantigas, edited by Diana Sáez.

#### Puerto Rico

Hector Campos Parsi (1922-1998)

Born in Ponce, Puerto Rico, Hector Campos Parsi showed musical aptitude at an early age, but his family did not consider music to be an acceptable career for such a bright and talented young man. During a short visit in Mexico City, where he went to study medicine, he was exposed to the music of Carlos Chávez. The experience made a profound impression on the young student and persuaded him to pursue his musical path. In 1947 he moved to Boston to study at the New England Conservatory. He met Aaron Copland, who encouraged him to study with Nadia Boulanger in France. While in France he met Igor Stravinsky, Francis Poulenc, and the Scottish composer Thea Musgrave, among others.<sup>79</sup>

Once Campos Parsi moved back to Puerto Rico, he played an important role in the island's musical life: he developed and supervised the implementation of a music curriculum for the Escuelas Libre de Música, <sup>80</sup> taught music at both the Conservatory of Puerto Rico and the University of Puerto Rico, contributed to research on the music of Puerto Rico, served for many years as director of music for the Puerto Rican Institute of Culture. As a composer, he began as a nationalist but turned to neo-Classicism in the 1950s and to atonality and serialism in the 1960s. *Ave Maria*, which he composed in 1949 while studying composition in Boston, was clearly written in the neoclassic style.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>79</sup> Hector Campos Parsi, Puerto Rican Music in the XX century <a href="http://www.josemontalvo.net/diss/cp.html">http://www.josemontalvo.net/diss/cp.html</a> Internet, accessed on 4/13/2011.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>80</sup> The *Escuelas Libres de Música* are part of Puerto Rico's public school system; they offer a full academic and musical curriculum for grades 7-12.

# Ave Maria, by Hector Campos Parsi

Original text	English translation <sup>81</sup>
Ave Maria, gratia plena:	Hail Mary, full of grace:
Dominus tecum,	The Lord is with thee,
Benedicta tu in mulieribus,	Blessed art thou among women,
Et benedictus fructus ventris tui, Jesus.	And blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.

# **Venezuela: A Choral Country**

The beginning of the 20<sup>th</sup> century was not an easy period for artists, intellectuals, and musicians in Venezuela, which for 27 long years was under the leadership of the ruthless dictator Juan Vicente Gomez. But even though the country lacked the conditions for the development of culture and the arts, an interesting phenomenon took place in Caracas that influenced the country's musical development for several decades.

In 1928 a male singing group from Ukraine performed in Caracas while touring Latin America. The performance made a big impression on a group of young Venezuelan musicians, who decided to form an ensemble modeled after the Ukrainian choir. Dressed up as "Russians," wearing fake beards and fancy costumes, these Venezuelan musicians debuted during carnival season performing their own original compositions. By 1930 the informal group of singers became a formal choral group named Orfeón<sup>82</sup> Lamas, after the renowned Venezuelan colonial composer José Angel Lamas. At first all the compositions were written for male chorus, until women were invited to join (three months after the group was founded). Under the leadership of composer, musicologist, and educator

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>81</sup> Ron Jeffers, *Translations and Annotations*, 99.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>82</sup> Orfeón – singing group.

Vicente Emilio Sojo (1887-1974), composer Juan Bautista Plaza (1898-1965), and musicologist and composer José Antonio Calcaño (1900-1980), the first choral group of Caracas had been formed, and a choral movement had been born.

More than a choir, the Orfeón was a choral association whose mission was to encourage the composition of new works by contemporary Venezuelan composers; to collect, promote, and arrange Venezuela's folkloric music (especially the rich and diverse repertoire from the Christmas tradition); and to study and transcribe music from the colonial period. The Orfeón musicians took upon themselves the task of educating the public about the aesthetics of European classical music.

Sojo became a mentor and teacher to a new generation of composers: Antonio Lauro (1917-1986), Inocente Carreño (1919-), Antonio Estévez (1916-1988), and Modesta Bor (1926-1998), among them. "Sojo's concept of music composition was very strict and demanding, requiring his students to follow his procedures. For example, he emphasized the strict use of polyphony with the application of techniques such as point of imitation, canon, fugues, inventions or *stretti* ... Sojo preached that the rhythm of music should be faithfully adapted to the rhythm of the words. In addition, Sojo looked for equilibrium and proportion of the structures and clear harmonies. The preferred structures were the bipartite AB form (with repetitions of both or one of the sections) and the ABA form for choral works." Lauro, Carreño, and Estévez are considered nationalists since many of their compositions took, and then transformed and developed the rhythmic, melodic, and

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>83</sup> Cira Guadalupe Parra, "A conductor's guide to selected choral Works of Modesta Bor" (DMA diss., University of Cincinnati, College Conservatory of Music, 2006), 24-25.

harmonic elements of Venezuelan folklore. These composers also set poetry by Venezuelan poets that alluded to their many rich traditions, especially those from the Venezuelan *llanos* (plains).

# Antonio Lauro (1917-1986)

Antonio Lauro began his musical studies with piano and composition at the Caracas Academia de Música y Declamación (later renamed Escuela José Angel Lamas). After attending a concert performed by Paraguay's guitar virtuoso Agustín Barrios, Lauro abandoned the violin and piano for the guitar. In addition to his guitar compositions, which are considered standards of the repertoire, Lauro also composed works for orchestra, piano, voice, and choir; his choral pieces have become classics among Latin American choruses. Lauro sang in several ensembles (he sang bass in Orfeón Lamas while at school), taught guitar, and founded and directed choirs at several leading schools in Caracas. He also served as president of the Venezuelan Symphony Orchestra.

Like many other composers of his generation, Lauro was considered a nationalist. *Allá va un encobijado* uses words by Alberto Arvelo Torrealba (1905-1971), a Venezuelan poet who drew elements from the popular *coplas* and *décimas*, <sup>84</sup> with themes related to the traditions and legends of the Venezuelan plains. Lauro gives it a polyphonic treatment, like a Renaissance madrigal, combining harmonic blocks with imitative counterpoint.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>84</sup> *Coplas*- a poetic form of four verses found in many Spanish popular songs as well as in Spanish language literature; *décimas*- a 10-line stanza of poetry in Spanish literature.

Allá va un encobijado, by Antonio Lauro

Original text	English translation <sup>85</sup>
Allá va un encobijado por el peladal pampero, Así se va mi esperanza	There goes an encobijado <sup>86</sup> Through the extensive treeless plains, the same way my hope vanishes
sin tí, por el alma adentro.	without you within my soul
Llanos y llanos crucé por ir a tu olvido, Y tras tanto caminar llegué a te quiero lo mismo.	Plains and plains I crossed to forget you, and in the end it all came back that I love you just the same.
Sin tí por el alma adentro, me acordé de cuando iba por los caminos lloviendo.	Without you within my soul, Remembering when I left Through rainy paths.

Although *Allá va un encobijado* is one of the most performed choral works in Latin America, it has not been published. Lauro's family sold the rights to his music to a British person, and no information about it could be found. Still, this should not be an obstacle to learning about and appreciating Lauro's beautiful music. Fortunately some of his choral compositions can be accessed via the internet and Venezuelan choruses are always happy to share their scores.

#### Inocente Carreño (b. 1919)

Inocente Carreño was also one of the nationalist composers who studied under the guidance of Vicente Emilio Sojo at the Academia de Música y Declamación, graduating in 1946 with the title of Maestro de Composición. In addition to composing, Carreño taught music theory at the former Academia de Música, now known as Escuela José

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Angel Lamas, and for many years played the French horn in the Venezuelan Symphony Orchestra.

*Pregúntale a ese mar*, set to a poem by Juan Beroes (1914-1975), is an example of the 20<sup>th</sup> century Venezuelan madrigals composed by members of the Orfeón Lamas to be performed by the ensemble. These works were called "madrigals" for their use of poetic texts, mostly by Venezuelan poets, and for the use of imitative counterpoint as a compositional practice. <sup>87</sup> This musical movement, inspired by another literary movement known as *costumbrismo*, <sup>88</sup> was created in the context of the nationalist movement in Latin America.

# Pregúntale a ese mar, by Inocente Carreño

Original text	English translation <sup>89</sup>
Pregúntale a ese mar donde solía	Ask the sea where
llorar mi corazón, si por su arena,	my heart cried, if on its sand,
con dulce silbo de veloz sirena,	with the sweet whistle of the quick
cruzó la virgen que me viera un día	mermaid,
	the virgin crossed who saw me one day
contar los granos de la arena mía.	
Y a esa virgen nocturna de serena	counting the grains of my sand.
vestidura lunar, túrgida y llena,	And to the nocturnal virgin dressed
pregúntale si el mar que la veía	In serene full moon clothing,
	Ask her if the sea who saw her
despedirse llorando en mi memoria,	
escribió por la arena aquella historia	Leave crying in my memory,
con su pulso de espuma, triste y suave	Wrote that story on the sand
	With its pulse and sad soft foam

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>87</sup> Rafael Salazar, *Memorial del canto* (Caracas: Banco Industrial de Venezuela, 1994), 109.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>88</sup> *Costumbrismo* refers to a trend in Spanish literature that stressed detailed descriptions of typical regional characters and social conduct, often with a satirical or philosophical intent.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>89</sup> Translation Luis Cortes © Santa Barbara Music Publishing, 1999.

¡Tú también, corazón, ve a la ribera, y con voz de esa brisa que te oyera, pregúntaselo al mar, que el mar lo sabe! And you too, go to the shore, And with the voice of that breeze that would hear, Ask the sea, because the sea knows!

#### Antonio Estévez (1916-1988)

Antonio Estévez, born in the city of Calabozo in the heart of the Venezuelan high plains, was very much influenced by the landscapes of his childhood. In 1931 he entered the José Angel Lamas School in Caracas, where he studied oboe and composition with Vicente Emilio Sojo. In 1937 he became part of the Orfeón directed by Sojo, which led him to compose for the choral medium. In addition to composing, he played oboe for the Venezuelan National Symphony and founded and directed several choirs, including the Orfeón de la Universidad Central de Venezuela.

In 1945 he was awarded a scholarship to study composition in the United States. At the Tanglewood Festival he studied orchestration with Koussevitzky and Bernstein, and composition with Aaron Copland. On July 25, 1954, Estévez conducted the premiere of his *Cantata Criolla: Florentino, el que canto con el Diablo* ("The one who sang with the Devil") for tenor, baritone, choir, and orchestra. The cantata, which was inspired by a poem of Alberto Arvelo Torrealba, draws on a legend from the Venezuelan plains about a singing contest between Florentino, the *llanero*, or man of the plains, and the Devil. In this work, Estévez combines elements from modern compositional techniques, two different Gregorian chants to represent Florentino and the Devil, and folkloric music traditions. With this cantata, Antonio Estévez took elements from the Venezuelan folklore and transformed them into one of Latin America's most important choral-

symphonic works.

Mata del ánima sola (Tree of the lonely soul), also inspired by a poem of Alberto Arvelo Torrealba, is a beautiful illustration of a nationalistic composition for a cappella choir. The piece has two distinctive sections, one fast and one slow. After a short improvisatory introduction by the tenor, the chorus joins in providing an "instrumental" accompaniment in the rhythm of a *joropo*—a typical dance from the llanos of Venezuela and Colombia performed in a fast 3/4 meter. Using onomatopoeic effects to imitate the sound of musical instruments, the chorus accompanies the tenor, who represents the voice of the llanero. The sopranos imitate the plucking of the harps; the altos and tenors imitate the rhythm of the *cuatro*, a four-string guitar from the region; and the basses imitate the deeper sound of the *bandolas*, a pear-shaped guitar from the plains. The *joropo* is followed by a slow section that depicts the loneliness felt by the llanero; <sup>90</sup> and finally the first section is repeated to end the song.

Thanks to the new collection of choral pieces from Latin America edited by the renowned Venezuelan conductor Maria Guinand and published by the American publishing company earthsongs, *Mata del ánima sola* has become a standard among choirs in the United States. It is to be hoped that more publications of Estévez's music will allow us to learn and appreciate his full opus.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>90</sup> Antonio Estévez, *Mata del ánima sola*, ed. María Guinand (Corvallis: earthsongs, 1993).

#### Mata del ánima sola, by Antonio Estévez

Original text	English translation <sup>91</sup>
Mata del ánima sola,	Tree of the lonely soul
boquerón de banco largo	Wide opening of the riverside
ya podrás decir ahora:	Now you will be able to say:
Aquí durmió Cantaclaro.	Here slept Cantaclaro.
Con el silbo y la picada de la brisa coleadora	With the whistle and the sting Of the twisting wind,
la tarde catira y mora	The dappled and violet dusk
entró al corazón callada.	Quietly entered the corral.
La noche, yegua cansada, sobre los bancos tremola La crin y la negra cola	The night, tired mare, Shakes her mane and black tail Above the riverside;
Y en su silencio se pasma	And in its silence,
Tu corazón de fantasma.	Your ghostly heart is filled with awe.

#### Modesta Bor (1926-1998)

Modesta Bor, a prolific composer, conductor, music educator, and musicologist, belonged to the second generation of composers from the José Angel Lamas Music School. She studied composition with Vicente Emilio Sojo as well as harmony and orchestration with Antonio Estévez.

From 1960 to 1962 Bor was in Moscow, pursuing her studies in composition at the Tchaikovsky Conservatory. After moving back to Caracas, she was blacklisted by the government for being a communist. With the help of her former teacher Sojo, who was a senator at the time, Modesta was able to secure a job as choral teacher in 1965.

Gradually, with the support of her colleagues and her formidable talents, Modesta Bor

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>91</sup> English translation © earthsongs, 1993.

got the recognition she deserved.

Bor wrote for orchestra, chamber music, solo piano, and voice. She is well known in Latin America, not only as a composer of choral music, but also as a prolific arranger of Venezuelan traditional music for choirs. She mentored many aspiring composers and, as music educator, showed a special interest in the music education of children. She directed several children's choirs and also produced an enormous amount of original music and choral arrangements for equal voices. Through her performances and arrangements she popularized many traditional Venezuelan children's songs. She took a practical approach to composing, "taking into account the quality of the musicians, singers, orchestras or choirs available to her at the moment." As musicologist, Modesta Bor worked for the National Service for Folklore Research in Venezuela, collecting and researching Venezuelan folk music. During her lifetime she received many honors and awards.

Pescador de anclas (Fisherman of anchors) is a Venezuelan madrigal, inspired by a poem by Venezuelan poet Andrés Eloy Blanco (1897-1955). Composed during 1962, it is one of Bor's first choral pieces to show the influence of Aram Khachaturian (1903-1978), who had been Bor's composition teacher in Moscow and who favored the use of extended triadic harmonies with added 6ths, 9ths, 11ths and 13ths. The piece also shows the strong influence of her previous teacher Vicente Emilio Sojo in Bor's choice of polyphonic writing with frequent points of imitation and the formal ABA structure of the piece. Also from Sojo, Bor inherited a sense of faithfulness to the text by adapting the

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>92</sup> Guadalupe Parra, "A conductor's guide to selected Works," 24-25.

music to the rhythm of the words.<sup>93</sup> She alternates a rhythmic ostinato accompaniment between the altos and tenors in the middle section to create the illusion of the fisherman's boat rocking in the waves.

Even though Modesta Bor's music is highly esteemed in her country, it is not performed as often by choirs outside Venezuela. Her music is copyrighted and registered with SACVEN (Society of Authors and Composers of Venezuela); therefore, with a little interest by North American choirs it could be brought to and published in the United States for the benefit of all.

### Pescador de anclas, by Modesta Bor

Original text	English translation <sup>94</sup>
Yo te quiero desde un día en que ví junto a la playa un barco de un pescador que andaba pescando anclas.	I have loved you since the day I saw by the sea A boat of a fisherman who was fishing anchors.
Era un pescador que había navegado tantos mares, que tenía ya redonda el alma de tantos viajes.	He was a fisherman who had Sailed through so many seas That his soul had become round From so many voyages.

All the Venezuelan madrigals in this section are appropriate for good high school and college-level choirs. They don't necessarily need to be paired with other music from the Americas; they belong in any program among other secular a cappella works, such as the secular choral songs of Samuel Barber or Edward Elgar.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>93</sup> Ibid 24

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>94</sup> English translation by Diana Sáez.

#### CHAPTER III. HISTORY GOES ON: CONTEMPORARY COMPOSERS

Latin American choral composers have not yet written their final chapter. Since
Hernando Franco's first chanzoneta, written in Nahuatl in 1599, choral musicians have
been building the foundation for those who came after them through the centuries. Today
newly formed choral ensembles all over Latin America are demanding new repertoire—
and a new generation of composers is responding. Improved communications and access
to the Internet facilitates the exchange between composers and choral groups. The
composers profiled in this section are some of those whose works are now being
performed by choirs all over Latin America and the United States.

#### Federico Ibarra Groth (b. 1946)

Federico Ibarra, a renowned Mexican composer and teacher, belongs to a generation of composers that rejected the musical nationalist movement of composers like Revueltas, Chavez, and Blas Galindo, from the early 20th century <sup>95</sup> Ibarra studied composition at the Escuela Nacional de Música de la UNAM in Mexico and was awarded a scholarship to continue his studies in Paris and Spain. As a piano performer, he is responsible for premiering in Mexico important contemporary works written for that instrument, including works by American composers Cowell, Cage, and Crumb. Ibarra's catalogue of compositions includes works for choir, chamber ensemble, and full orchestra, several ballets, five piano sonatas, three symphonies, and six operas. His opera *Alicia* was awarded Spain's *Premio Accesit 'Jacinto e Inocencia Guerrero'* for best lyrical

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<sup>95</sup> Roberto García Bonilla, *Visiones Sonoras* (Mexico DF: Siglo XX editores, 2001) 112.

composition.

Ibarra has expressed a special affinity for the visual arts and literature, and he has often used these art forms as a source of inspiration for his work. *A una dama que iba cubierta* pays homage to the poetry of Gomez Manrique, a 15th century Spanish poet. This short piece has the light character of a Renaissance madrigal: the la-la-la-la section reminds us of the nonsense syllables fa la la la used in the English madrigals. *A una dama que iba cubierta* is very popular among Mexican choirs.

## A una dama que iba cubierta, by Federico Ibarra Groth

Original text	English translation <sup>96</sup>
El corazón se me fue	My heart left me, in the place
donde vuestro vulto ví	Where I first saw your hidden form,
e luego vos conocí	And later I knew you,
al punto que vos mire.	The moment I gazed upon you.
Que no pudo fazer tanto	Nothing could be done,
por mucho que vos cubriese	Although you tried to hide yourself away
aquel vuestro negro manto	Beneath your black cloak,
que vos no reconociese.	So that I would not recognize you.
Que debajo se mostraba	Underneath, your grace
vuestra gracia y gentil ayre	And gentle airs were displayed,
y el cubrir con buen donaire	And all that you revealed
todo lo manifestava.	Was veiled in charm
Asy que con mis enojos	So it was that in my agitated state
e muy grande turbación	And in great confusion
allá se fueron mis ojos	My eyes also followed to that place
do tenía el corazón.	Where I put my heart.

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 $<sup>^{96}</sup>$  English translation © 2008 Coral Cantigas.

#### César Alejandro Carrillo (b.1957)

César Alejandro Carrillo is a Venezuelan composer, arranger, and choral director who, like many of his predecessors, attended the acclaimed Escuela Superior de Música José Angel Lamas. But perhaps the most important influence he received was from composer Modesta Bor who was his composition teacher while he studied at the Escuela José Lorenzo Llamozas. Carillo is a versatile and creative musician who feels equally comfortable composing sacred music and arranging Venezuelan folk music for choirs; he has received more than 20 awards for both his compositions and arrangements. Carrillo's music has been published in Venezuela and by several American publishing houses.

In 1991 Carrillo founded *Cantarte* with the purpose of promoting and performing sacred choral music from the Renaissance period to the present. Some of his best compositions—Latin motets like the *Salve Regina* included in this anthology—are not particularly Latin American in style, even though they have a sound that is particularly Carrillo's. Besides the *Salve Regina* he also has an *O Magnum Mysterium* and a *Regina Coeli* that are published in the United States and that could be beautifully paired with motets by the Spanish Renaissance composer TomásS Luis de Victoria.

In this entirely original composition, Carrillo pays conscious tribute to two great composers of choral music, Anton Bruckner and Francis Poulenc.<sup>97</sup> The descending suspensions on measures 11 to 15 are almost a literal quote from a Bruckner motet

<sup>97</sup> César Alejandro Carrillo, Salve Regina (Corvallis: earthsongs, 1988).

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Christus factus est, and the close dissonant harmonies from measures 15 to 18 are reminiscent of the opening measures of Poulenc's O Magnum Mysterium.

Salve Regina, by César Alejandro Carrillo

Original text	English translation <sup>98</sup>
Salve Regina, mater misericordiae:	Hail, O Queen, Mother of mercy;
Vita, dulcedo et spes nostra, salve.	Our life, our sweetness, and our hope: hail!
Ad te clamamus, exsules filii Evae.	To thee we cry, poor banished children of
Ad te suspiramos, gementes et flentes,	Eve.
In hac lacrimarum valle.	To thee we send up our sighs,
	groaning and weeping in this valley of
Eja ergo, Advocata nostra,	tears.
illos tuos misericordes oculos	
Ad nos converte.	Hasten therefore, our Advocate,
	your merciful eyes
Et Jesum, benedictum fructum	turn toward us.
Ventris tui,	
Nobis post hoc exilium ostende.	And show us Jesus,
O clemens: o pia	the blessed fruit of your womb,
O dulcis Virgo Maria.	after this exile.
	O merciful, O pious
	O sweet Virgin Mary.

Carillo's motets are becoming very popular among choirs in the United States. They have been recorded by the acclaimed Cuban choir Exaudi.99

Beatriz Corona (b. 1962)

Of all the music by contemporary choral composers, Beatriz Corona's is probably the most performed in Latin America. Corona is a Cuban composer and choral director who

 <sup>&</sup>lt;sup>98</sup> Jeffers, Tranlations and Annotations, 197.
 <sup>99</sup> America Sacra: Ramillete de Motetes para coro a capella de Argentina y otros países de Hispanoamérica en el siglo XX, Coro Exaudi de la Habana directed by Maria Felicia Pérez, Jade 198 479-2, 2001.

has established herself as one of today's best Latin American composers of choral music.

Corona studied at the Amadeo Roldán Conservatory of Havana and at the Escuela Nacional de Arte de la Habana. She started composing as a young woman and has produced an impressive number of choral pieces—more than 200, including eight masses. Corona has also composed for chamber and full orchestra and has received numerous awards for her compositions.

Beatriz Corona is mostly recognized for her mastery in setting to music the poems of the most beloved Latin American writers—among them Mario Benedetti of Uruguay, Pablo Neruda of Chile, José Martí and Nicolás Guillén of Cuba, and César Vallejo of Perú. Her composition *Corazón Coraza*, a setting of a love poem by Mario Benedetti, has become a classic among Latin American and Spanish choirs. Many of Corona's compositions are characterized by the use of 6/8 against 3/4, which creates a sense of movement and dance. She also uses suspended 4ths and 9ths in her harmonies, and she favors the use of homophony over contrapuntal writing in order to give clarity to the text.

Roberto Valera, a Cuban contemporary composer, asked to comment about Corona's work, described it this way:

"They were Mario Benedetti's verses that came to us in a music that would shorten our breath, electric song, verse and music as glove in hand, as body and shadow, as soil and life. What a profound way to translate word into music. What a way to hold us from the first to the last sound. Corazón Coraza. 100

—Roberto Valera

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>100</sup> From a speech given by Roberto Valera for the presentation of Beatriz Corona's music CD in Havana, Cuba. Copy of the speech was kindly provided by Ms. Corona.

## Corazón Coraza, by Beatriz Corona

Original text	English translation <sup>101</sup>
Porque te tengo y no	Because I have you and I don't
porque te pienso	Because I think about you
porque la noche está de ojos abiertos	Because the night is wide awake
porque la noche pasa y sigo amor	Because the night goes by and I'm still here, love
porque has venido a recoger tu imagen.	Because you have come to retrieve your image.
y eres mejor que todas tus imágenes	
porque eres lindo, desde el pie hasta el alma	And you are better than all your images Because you're beautiful from your feet to your soul
porque eres bueno desde el alma a mí.	Because you're good from your soul to me
porque te escondes dulce en el orgullo	Because you hide sweetly in your pride
pequeño y dulce Corazón Coraza.	Tiny and sweet armor heart!
Porque eres mío	Because you're mine
porque no eres mío	Because you're not mine
aunque te miro y muero y peor que muero	Because I look at you and die, and worse than die
si no te miro amor, si no te miro	If I don't look at you, my love, if I don't see you,
porque tu siempre existes donde quiera	Because you always exist everywhere
pero existes mejor donde te quiero	But you exist better where I love you.
porque tu boca es sangre y tienes frío tengo que amarte amor	Because your mouth is blood and you're cold
tengo que amarte	I have to love you, love
aunque esta herida duela como dos	I have to love you
aunque te busque y no te encuentre	Even if this wound hurts as if it were two
y aunque la noche pase	Even if I look for you and can't find you
y yo te tenga	Even if the night goes by and I
y no.	Have you, and don't.

Unfortunately, the adverse relationship between Cuba and the United States has deprived

 $<sup>^{101}</sup>$  Translation © 2001 Coral Cantigas

American choral musicians and audiences of Beatriz Corona's music.

Jorge Córdoba (b. 1953)

Jorge Córdoba is a prolific Mexican composer and conductor who has written for mixed, women's, men's, and children's choirs. He studied at the Conservatorio Nacional de Musica in Mexico and continued his composition and conducting studies in Brazil, United States, Spain, and Hungary. A sought-after conductor and composer in Mexico, Europe, and the United States, Córdoba is at present the music director of the *Coro de madrigalistas* at Mexico's National Institute for the Arts.

He was commissioned to write *The Divine Image*, a choral piece premiered at the Sixth World Symposium of Choral Music held in Minneapolis, Minnesota, in 2002. In 2008 Córdoba was invited to collaborate with Phillip Brunelle, music director of Vocal Essence in Minneapolis, as part of the project Cantaré, a community outreach program that brings Mexican composers to work with students from the Minnesota schools. In 2011 Córdoba will premiere his cantata *Aqui ha nacido* for four mixed choirs and four Mexican marimbas to be performed with Vocal Essence at the Saint Paul Cathedral of Minneapolis.

Córdoba wrote his *Siete Haikus* in 1992 and that year the composition won an honorable mention in the Luis Sandi musical composition contest in Mexico City. The texts are translations of poems by different Japanese poets. When translated to Spanish the haikus lost their strict metrical form, but retained "the brevity and richness of [their] imagery.

Córdoba used a very refined harmonic vocabulary that has impressionistic echoes, and a number of subtle effects (glissandi with the mouth closed, whispering, etc.) that create atmospheres of a highly evocative character."<sup>102</sup>

#### Siete Haikus, by Jorge Córdoba

Original text	English translation
I - Voy a caballo mi sombra va temblando	I - I'm riding on horseback and my shadow
allá en el fondo.	trembles in the background.
II - Sobre el arrozal caen flores del cerezo cielo estrellado.	II - The cherry blossom petals fall over the rice fields under the starlit sky
III - Pongo a la luna entre ramas de pinos según me mueva.	III - The pine branches move under the moon as I move.
IV - Un murciélago que vuela entre la noche es ruido oscuro.	IV - A bat that flies in the night is like a dark sound.
V - Veloz la rana al viejo estanque cae chasquido de agua.	V - The frog jumps into the pool of water and splashes water.
VI - Niebla del alba, como un sueño borroso, la gente pasa.	VI - The fog in the early dawn, like a foggy dream, people pass by.
VII - ¿Vuelan hermosas las flores derribadas? ¡Son mariposas!	VII - Do flowers that fall fly beautifully? They are butterflies!

This cycle of short works captures the imagery of the poems through word painting—aural illustrations of the text. For example, the first one, *Voy a caballo*, is written in 6/8 meter, with a moving rhythm that sounds like a horse galloping. The fifth song, with

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>102</sup> CD liner notes by Sergio Ortiz in *La noche: Modern Mexican Choral Masterpieces* performed by The Gregg Smigh Singers (Newport Classic NCD 85639), 2001.

rapid rhythms interrupted by eighth note rests, illustrates the movements of a frog in a pond. The piece was premiered in 1993 by his *Coro de madrigalistas* and was recorded by The Gregg Smith Singers in 2001.

#### **Latin American Folklore: Source of Inspiration**

The final compositions in the anthology represent a group of works inspired by folkloric rhythms and styles from Latin America. They are not compositions from the nationalist movement of the early 20<sup>th</sup> century; rather, they are works by renowned contemporary composers whose musical styles range from romantic *lieder* to symphonic works to avant-garde, and who chose folkloric forms as the base for some compositions. These works illustrate the diversity of folk musical styles and genres present to this day in Latin America.

For nearly three centuries, Latin American folklore has been a source of inspiration for artists, musicians, and writers around the world. Latin America's unique blend of Native American, European, and African cultures gave birth to some of the most beautiful musical forms in the world. Every Latin American country has developed its own dances and musical styles by transforming the different elements received from the different cultures into original musical styles and genres, each with its own characteristics and peculiarities. Latin American music folklore, with its infinite richness and diversity, continues to provide material for creation and innovation.

#### The Mountains of Argentina

Antonio Russo is a composer, choral and orchestra conductor, and music professor. Born in Italy in 1934, he became a citizen of Argentina in 1960. Russo has conducted some of the best choirs in Argentina: the Wagner Association Chorus (1966-1990), the Bach Choir of Buenos Aires (1965-1985), and the Coro Estable del Teatro Colón de Buenos Aires (1989-1992). Among his compositions are works for voice and piano, chamber ensemble, orchestra, and chorus, including a secular cantata, *Eros-Selene-Eros*, and a Mass for orchestra, chorus, and four soloists, *Missa Corpus Christi*. He has received several awards for his orchestral conducting and in 1999 was recognized by Argentina's Secretary of Culture as "Personalidad emérita de la Cultura Argentina."

El gato de mi casa is one of Russo's many choral compositions for a cappella chorus. The text is a traditional Argentinean text about a cat, and Russo used the rhythmic patterns of the gato, a traditional dance for couples from the mountainous area of central-west Argentina, very similar to the well known dance chacarera. This dance can be either sung or instrumental, but it is always accompanied by the bombo<sup>103</sup> and the guitar, the most important instrument in the music of this region. The rhythmic pattern is in 6/8 alternating with 3/4 meter—a very common pattern in some South American folk dances that originated from the fandango, a Spanish dance introduced to the Americas during the 18<sup>th</sup> century.<sup>104</sup>

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>103</sup> Bombo – a drum used mostly in the Andes region made from the trunk of a tree with goat or llama skin. The origin could be the Spanish military drum.

Ana María Job de Brusa. "Ambitos Central y Cuyo," in *Música Tradicional Argentina* (Buenos Aires: Magisterio del Río De La Plata, 2000), 68-74.

## El gato de mi casa, by Antonio Russo

Original text	English translation <sup>105</sup>
El gato de mi casa	My family's cat
Es muy ligero,	Is very fast,
Corriendo a los conejos	Running after the rabbits
Cazó unos teros.	He hunted some teros. <sup>106</sup>
El gato de mi casa Es muy ligero, Corriendo a los ratones Cazó agujeros.	My family's cat Is very fast, Running after mice He hunted holes.
El gato de mi casa	My family's cat
Es diferente,	Is different
Se esconde en la cocina	He hides in the kitchen
Si viene gente.	When visitors arrive.
Es éste el gato hermoso Que a todos gusta, Pues los maullidos suyos A nadie asustan.	This is the beautiful cat That everyone likes, Who doesn't scare anyone With his meows.

English translation by Diana V. Sáez
 Tero – a bird from Argentina that derives its onomatopoeic name from its song: *teru*, *teru*, *teru*.

Example 2: Russo's El gato de mi casa, ms. 33-45.



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### Contrasting Rhythms from Peru

Peru has one of the most diverse and richest folk music traditions in Latin America. The music from the Andean region, with its Inca culture, has a strong Native American imprint, whereas the music that originated in the Pacific coast areas—which had a larger Black population—has a stronger African influence.

Some Native American musical forms survived colonization and were incorporated into the new society: *yaravi* or *triste* is one of them. The *yaravi* is a sad and melancholic song from the pre-Colombian period. During the 19<sup>th</sup> century it became known as *triste*, which in Spanish means sad. Accompanied by the *quena*—the bamboo flute played by the Incas—tristes were originally songs of elegy or funeral songs. After colonization, the natives incorporated the guitar. During the 19<sup>th</sup> century the tristes became love songs about unrequited love and nostalgia.

Roberto Carpio composed *Triste* with his own text about the sadness the author feels when he has to leave his beloved behind. The piece establishes the rhythmic pattern of the *triste* in the first four measures of the introduction.

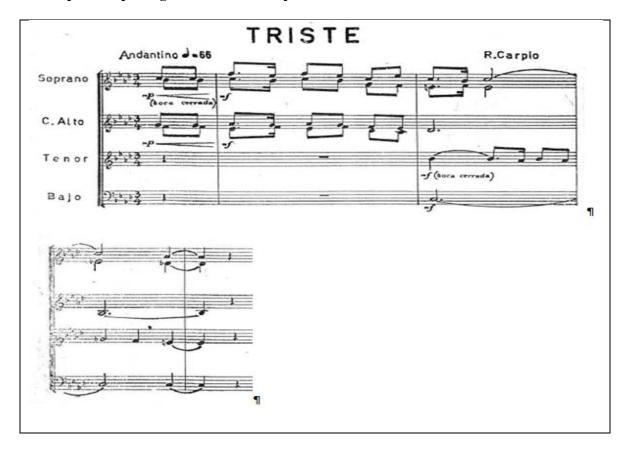
**Triste by Roberto Carpio** 

Original text	English translation <sup>107</sup>
Ya me voy a una tierra lejana	I'm leaving to faraway lands
A un país donde nadie me espera	To a country where no one is waiting for
Donde nadie sepa que yo muera	me
Donde nadie por mí llorará.	Where no one will know if I'm dying
	Where no one will cry for me.
Ay que lejos me lleva el destino	
Como a hoja que el viento arrebata	Oh, how far is destiny taking me
Ay de mí tú no sabes ingrata	Like a leaf snatched by the wind
Lo que sufre este fiel corazón.	Oh, ungrateful one, you don't know
	How much this faithful heart suffers.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>107</sup> English translation Diana V. Sáez.

Example 3: Opening measures of Carpio's Triste.



Just as the *triste* is the result of the mixture of Native American and Spanish elements, the *festejo* illustrates a musical outcome from the mixture of African and Spanish ones. *Festejo* is an Afro-Peruvian dance developed during colonial times around the port cities of Peru where there were larger population of Blacks. *Festejo de Navidad* is a Christmas song composed by Herbert Bittrich, a Peruvian cardiologist and musician. The author of the text, Alfredo Ostoja, was a lawyer from Lima. The poem is rich in regional vocabulary and describes the Christmas traditions of Peruvians of African descent. This choral composition won a contest for Peruvian Christmas music in the 1960s in the category of music from the coast.

Even though Festejo de Navidad is not written in festejo rhythm, both the poet and

composer wanted to celebrate the African heritage in Peru. The onomatopoeic effects in the chorus are in imitation of the sounds of the Afro-Peruvian musical instruments used to accompany the *festejo*: the *cajón* and the *quijada*. The *cajón* is a rectangular wooden box on which the player sits to strike the front and sides. The quijada is a donkey jaw that is played by striking the wide part of the jaw with the fist to obtain a rattling sound. Every time the choir exclaims *Ha!*, it resembles the sound of the *quijada*.

Bittrich uses notes from the pentatonic scale for the middle section, where the text talks about the three Wise Men—Caspar, Melchior, and Balthazar. Even though he does not reproduce the rhythmic pattern of the *festejo*, he consistently uses a syncopated rhythmic pattern that is found in Afro-Latin American music throughout the Americas.

Festejo de Navidad, by Herbert Bittrich

Original text	English translation <sup>108</sup>
Señor Don José, Señora María Ha nacido en Lima, el niño Manuel. Los negros del Rimac traen para El Tondero y festejo, buñuelos con miel.	Mr. Joseph, Mrs. Mary, The baby Emmanuel was born in Lima. The Black people from Rimac <sup>109</sup> Bring tondero and festejo, <sup>110</sup> and buns with honey.
La comadre Juana será mi madrina Y p'hacerle caldo, mató a su gallina. Será su padrino el compai' Quiñones Pa' su ahijao' divino, ricos picarones.	Juana will be His godmother, She killed her chicken to prepare broth for Him. Friend Quiñones will be His godfather And will bring delicious picarones.  111

 $<sup>^{108}</sup>$  English Translation, © 1998 Coral Cantigas.  $^{109}$  Rimac – a district in Lima, Peru.

<sup>110</sup> Tondero and festejo – Afro-Peruvian dances.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>111</sup> Picarones – sweet, ring-shaped fritters made with squash and honey.

El negro Gaspar desde Casa Grande Trae pa'l niñito caña pa' chupar.

Un fino alfajor, su tío Melchor Que pa' si zambito quiere lo major.

El buen Baltazar, agüita de aza'r Pa' que Manuelito, no vuelva a llorar.

Jesusito 'e mi alma, no llores así, Que todos los negros se mueren por ti. Del Paseo de Aguas vienen hasta aquí Con arroz con leche, flor de capulí.

Los de Malambito traen para ti Humitas don dulce, pan de ajonjolí. Jesusito 'e mi alma, no llores así Que todos los negros ya estamos aquí. Caspar comes from Casa Grande<sup>112</sup>
And brings the baby sugar cane to suck on.

Uncle Melchior, who wants the best for his little sambo, brings a delicious alfajor. 113

The good Balthasar brings orange blossom water,

So little Emmanuel will not cry.

Jesus of my soul, don't cry like that Because all Black people would die for you.

From Paseo de Aguas they come all the way here

Bringing rice pudding and gooseberry flower.

Those from Malambito bring Sweet tamales and sesame bread. Jesus of my soul, don't cry like that Because all of us Blacks are now here.

Example 4: Syncopated rhythmic pattern on bass line on Bittrich's Festejo de Navidad

Burum, burum, bum, bum, j Ha! Burum, burum, bum, j Ha! Burum, b



#### The Cuban Son

*Iré a Santiago* is a choral composition by Roberto Valera (b. 1938), a contemporary Cuban composer and conductor who set a beautiful poem by Federico García Lorca to one of the most influential and widespread Cuban musical forms: the *son*. The son was

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>112</sup> Casa Grande – Peruvian town.

<sup>113</sup> Alfajor – an almond pastry filled with a sweet filling (usually with 'dulce de leche')

born in the Eastern provinces of Cuba where it adopted the "clave rhythm" from the Cuban rumba<sup>114</sup>. Basically a song accompanied with percussion, the son combines Spanish song elements with African rhythms, and it has become one of the most popular and influential musical forms in Latin America. During the 1920s it became popular in the dance clubs of Havana, Cuba's capital city. Until then the Afro-Cuban percussion instruments had not been well accepted in the dance orchestras of Havana because they were considered to be from the lower social classes. According to the Cuban musicologist and author Alejandro Carpentier, the son allowed the Cuban percussion, which had been confined to the poorest neighborhoods and slums of Cuba, to "reveal its marvelous expressive resources, achieving universal status." The son is accompanied by the tres, 116 maracas, the güiro, 117 and the bongos. 118

The basic rhythmic pattern of the son is similar to that of the tango and habanera. As Carpentier describes it, the rhythm of the son is "a simple dilation of the eternal tango rhythm, altering the notes displacing the beats. The anticipated bass line suppresses the initial string beat, but, as in the tango, the second note of each bar is inevitably the briefest, in contrast with the note before, which is always the longest."

Federico García Lorca (1898-1936), one of the most beloved Spanish poets of all times, was also an accomplished musician who found inspiration in the rich and diverse folklore

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>114</sup> Rumba is an Afro-Cuban dance.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>115</sup> Alejandro Carpentier, Music in Cuba (Minneapolis: University of Minnesota Press, 2001), 228.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>116</sup> Tres - a Cuban stringed instrument derived from the Spanish guitar, consisting of three double strings played with a pick. The tres is the signature instrument of the Cuban son. Güiro- a serrated gourd or calabash, scraped with a stick.

Bongos -- two small drums attached by a thick piece of wood, played while held between the knees.

of Andalucía. In March 1930, a group of Cuban intellectuals invited Lorca to present several conferences, and he arrived in Cuba for a three-month stay. There he was introduced to Cuba's "mulato" culture, the best manifestation of the mix of Spanish and African cultures. At that time Cuban composers like Amadeo Roldán and poets like Nicolás Guillén were exploring the rich African heritage in their works, and the *son* was in its heyday all over Cuba. Lorca immersed himself in the experience. While in Cuba Lorca wrote his poem *Son de negros en Cuba* as a homage to the city of Santiago, on the eastern side of the island where the *son* had been created.

Iré a Santiago, by Roberto Valera

Original text	English translation <sup>120</sup>
Cuando llegue la luna llena	When the moon has risen full
iré a Santiago de Cuba,	I'm off to Santiago, Cuba,
iré a Santiago,	off to Santiago
en un coche de agua negra.	in a wagon of black water.
Iré a Santiago.	Off to Santiago.
Cantarán los techos de palmera.	Singing palms above the roof-tops.
Iré a Santiago.	Off to Santiago.
Cuando la palma quiere ser cigüeña,	When the palm-tree wants to be a stork,
iré a Santiago.	off to Santiago.
Y cuando quiere ser medusa el plátano,	And the banana-tree a jellyfish,
Iré a Santiago	I'm off to Santiago.
con la rubia cabeza de Fonseca.	with the blond head of Fonseca.
Iré a Santiago.	Off to Santiago.
Y con la rosa de Romeo y Julieta	With the rose, Juliet's and Romeo's,
iré a Santiago.	off to Santiago.
Mar de papel y plata de monedas	Sea of paper, coins of silver,
Iré a Santiago.	off to Santiago.

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 Internet, accessed on 3/25/2011.

¡Oh Cuba! ¡Oh ritmo de semillas secas! Iré a Santiago.

¡Oh cintura caliente y gota de madera! Iré a Santiago.

¡Arpa de troncos vivos, caimán, flor de tabaco!

Iré a Santiago.

Siempre dije que yo iría a Santiago en un coche de agua negra.

Iré a Santiago.

Brisa y alcohol en las ruedas,

iré a Santiago.

Mi coral en la tiniebla,

iré a Santiago.

El mar ahogado en la arena,

iré a Santiago,

calor blanco, fruta muerta,

iré a Santiago.

¡Oh bovino frescor de cañavera!

¡Oh Cuba! ¡Oh curva de suspiro y barro!

Iré a Santiago.

Oh, Cuba! Oh, rhythm of dried seeds!

Off to Santiago.

Oh, belt of fire, drop of wood!

Off to Santiago.

Harp of living tree-trunks, caiman, tobacco

flower!

Off to Santiago.

I always said I'd be off, off to Santiago,

in a wagon of black water.

Off to Santiago.

Air and alcohol on the wheels,

I'm going to Santiago.

My coral in the twilight,

off to Santiago.

The ocean drowned in the sand,

off to Santiago.

Heat whitening, fruit rotting,

off to Santiago.

Oh, the sugar-cane's dumb coolness!

Oh, Cuba, curve of sigh and clay!

I'm off to Santiago.

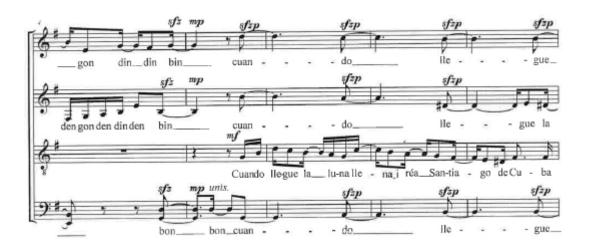
This is the poem that Valera chose for his composition *Iré a Santiago*. Roberto Valera studied at the Amadeo Roldán Conservatory of Cuba with such internationally recognized composers as José Ardévol and Leo Brouwer. He continued his studies at the Frederic Chopin School in Warsaw, where he earned the degree of Doctor in Pedagogy. Valera is a member of the Cuban Writers and Artists Association and has received numerous awards from Cuban, Polish, and Mexican institutions. His catalogue includes pieces for soprano and orchestra, mixed choir, chamber ensemble, and orchestra; electroacoustic music; and music for ballet, dance, and film.

In *Iré a Santiago* Valera uses onomatopoeic sounds in the voices to imitate the harmonic accompaniment patterns played in the tres—for example, the lines sung by the altos and

sopranos right at the opening of the piece. Throughout the piece we can also hear the rhythmic pattern of the bass in the son sung by the basses:

Example 5: Excerpt from Valera's *Iré a Santiago* 





#### CONCLUSION

"I believe that all the music of Europe and the Americas that partakes of the Western tradition should be integrated into a single narrative, both in books and in courses". 121

—J. Peter Burkholder

J. Peter Burkholder, author of the recent edition of A History of Western Music and of Norton Anthology of Western Music tells us that the music of the American continents should be an integral part of the curriculum of Western music. I intend that this anthology will contribute to and facilitate the inclusion of Latin American choral music in music history curriculums. Choral educators and conductors in the United States should begin a further exploration of Latin American music—its history, its composers, its repertoire—in order to enrich and diversify their own choral repertoires.

Knowledge about Latin American music has never been more relevant than today, when Latinos have become the largest minority population in the United States. 122 It is our responsibility as music educators to provide our students and singers a well-rounded education that includes music from places other than those that represent only the Western European tradition. It is our duty to expose them to a diverse repertoire that will

J. Peter Burkholder, "Music of the Americas," *American Music* 27, No. 4 (Winter 2009): 403.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>122</sup> Louise Fenner, "Hispanics, the Largest U.S. Minority, Enrich the American Mosaic." America

<sup>-</sup> Engaging the World - America.gov. 15 Sept. 2010. Web. 10 Apr. 2011.

<sup>&</sup>lt;a href="http://www.america.gov/st/peopleplace-">http://www.america.gov/st/peopleplace-</a>

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expand their musical knowledge and skills—rhythmic patterns that are new and challenging, and poetry of the best writers in many languages and countries.

Exposure to the works in this anthology should help choral musicians understand several important lessons:

- In spite of the harsh conditions of colonial times, composers found a safe space in the church to learn, compose, and perform some of the most striking music written in Latin America.
- After the American republics were established, a sense of national pride served as
  inspiration for the creation of numerous a cappella works that are considered
  standards in the Latin American choral repertoire to this day.
- There is a promising future for the creation and performance of choral music in
  Latin America thanks to the popularity of choral ensembles in countries such as
  Argentina, Venezuela, and Cuba, and thanks to a new generation of composers
  who are committed to the development and dissemination of choral music.
- Latin American folk music, with its rich diversity and significance, is likely to be
   a source of inspiration to composers for many years to come.
- Music is an excellent way to discover and explore connections: cultural,
   historical, and even emotional. In a world where differences are constantly used to
   divide us from one another, music can help us as we celebrate those differences.

# **APPENDICES**

# APPENDIX A – MUSIC SCORES

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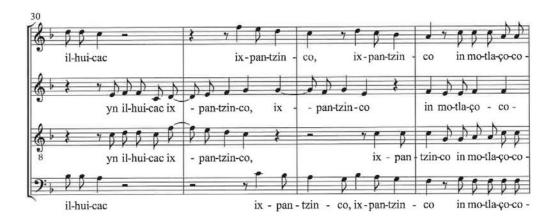


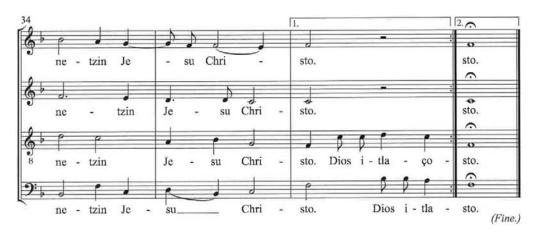
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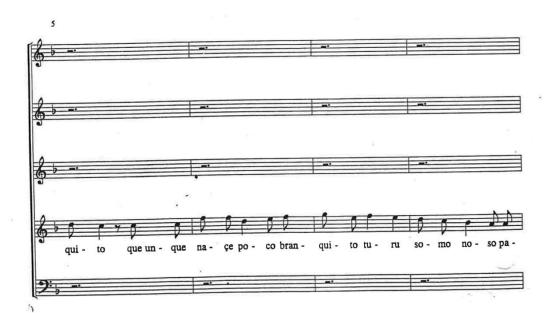




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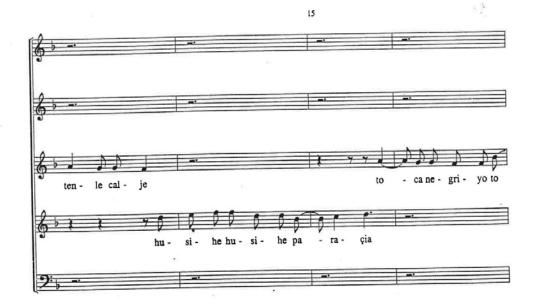
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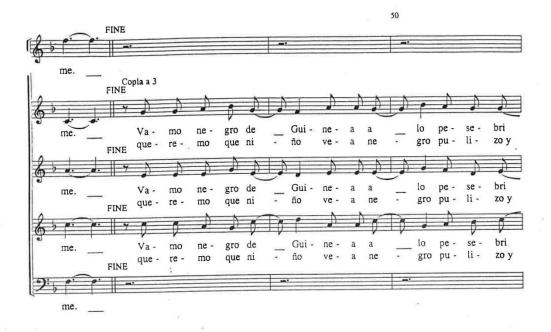


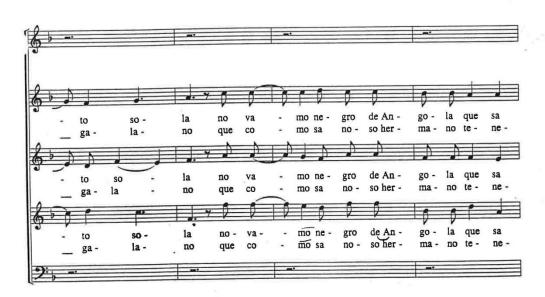


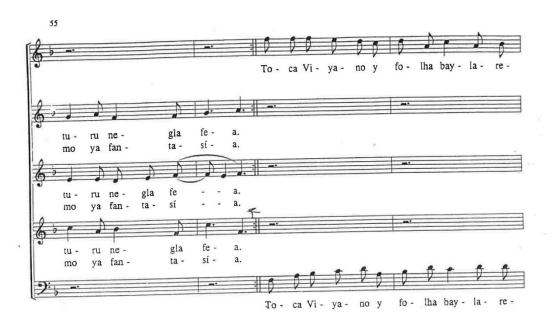




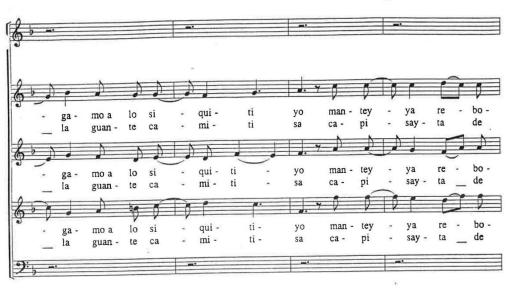
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## Domenico Zipoli

(1688 - 1726)

Deus in adjutorium. Domine ad adjuvandum.

Versiculus et Responsorium

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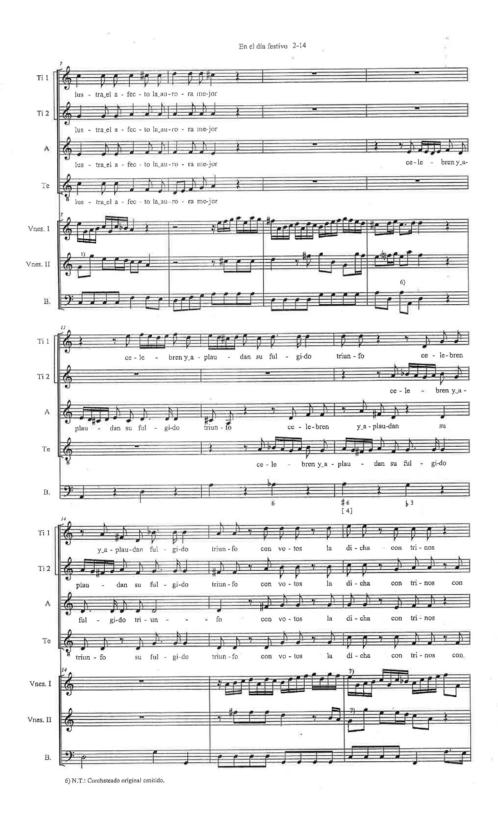


- 1) "Sol" en el MS; comparar con los compases 19 y 67.
  2) "Do" en el MS.
  3) "Si", "Do", "La", "Si" en el MS.
  4) Silencio de corchea en el MS.
  5) "Do" y "Re" en el MS.
  6) Cuatro corcheas de "Do" en el MS.

## En el día festivo



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9) N.T.: Pasaje reconstruido por los transcriptores por estar la copia del manuscrito dafiada,



1) N.T.: En el Ms esta indicación sólo la tiene Tiple, I., Violín I y 2, y el Bajo,

10) N.T.: Indicación que figura en: Tiple | y Bajo. En el Violín I y en el 2 su indica "Recit, tacet", mientras que Tiple ", Alto, y Tenor figura "Recit y Aria tacet".

11) N.T.: Copia del manuscrito dañada, Reconstrucción de los transcriptores.



- 12) N.T.: Copia del manuscrito dañada. Reconstrucción de los transcriptores.
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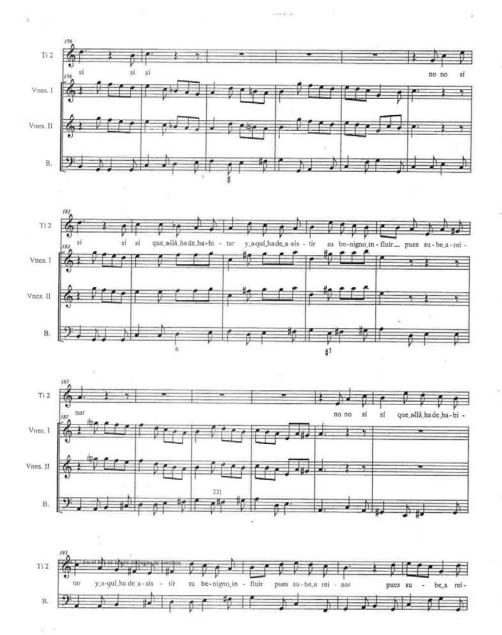






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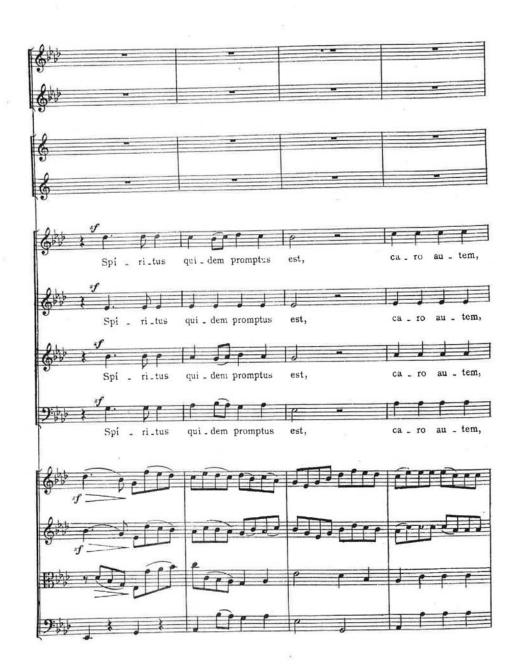
























## A Margarita, Blanca y Gabriel Valdés VILLANCICO I





## A Margarita, Blanca y Gabriel Valdés VILLANCICO II (Para voces mixtas)







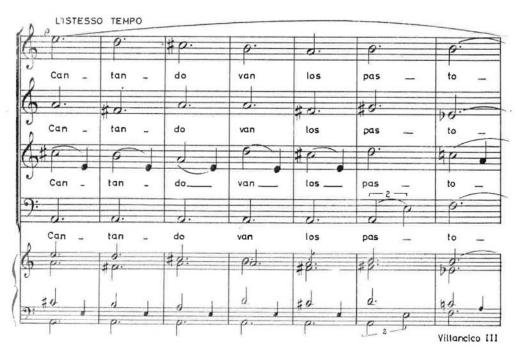




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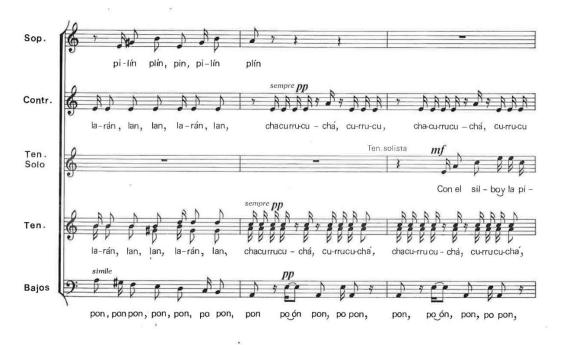
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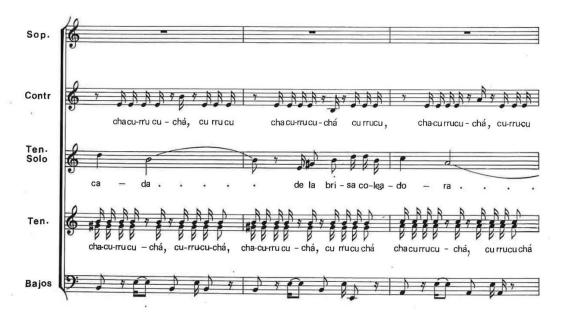
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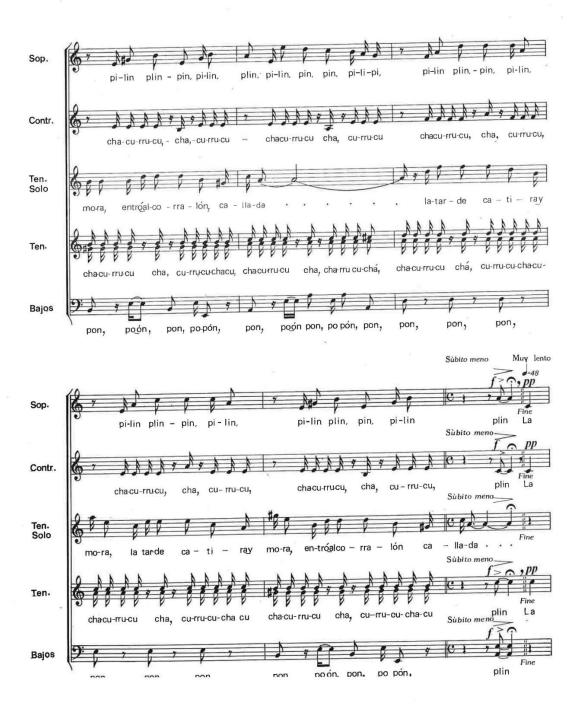
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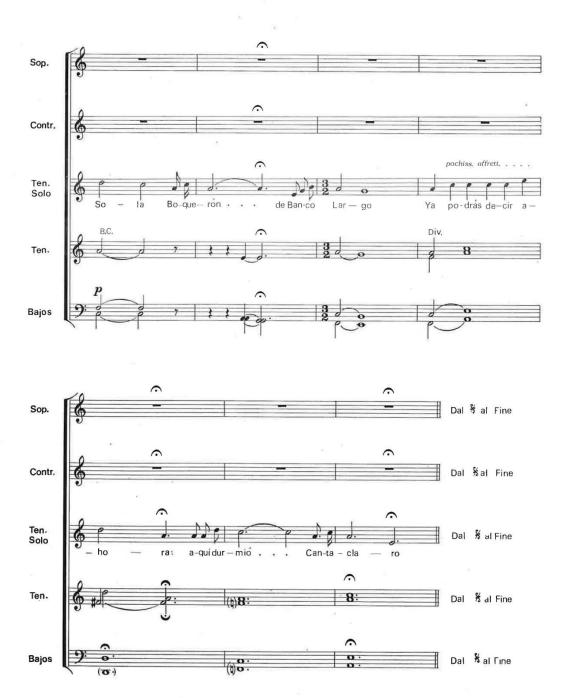








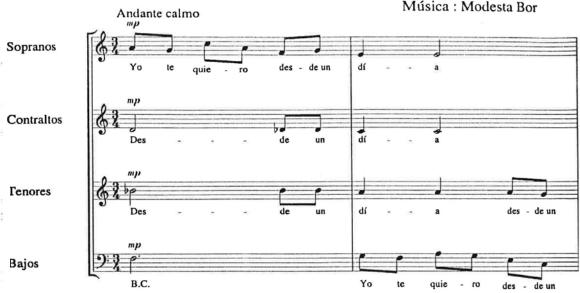


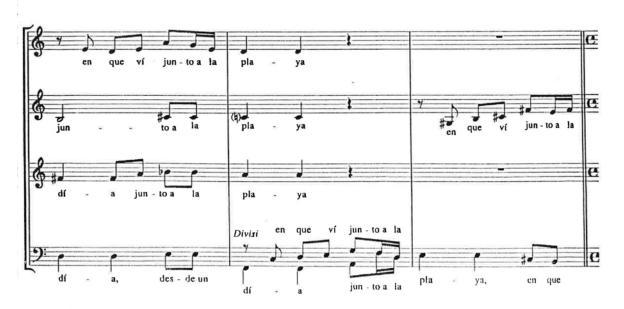


## PESCADOR DE ANCLAS

Al Maestro Vicente Emilio Sojo

Poesía : Andrés Eloy Blanco Música : Modesta Bor





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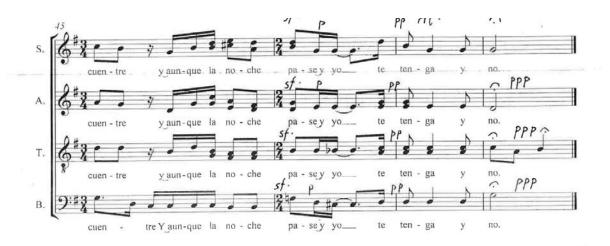




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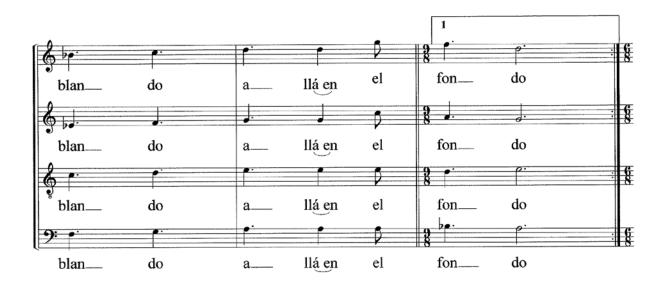
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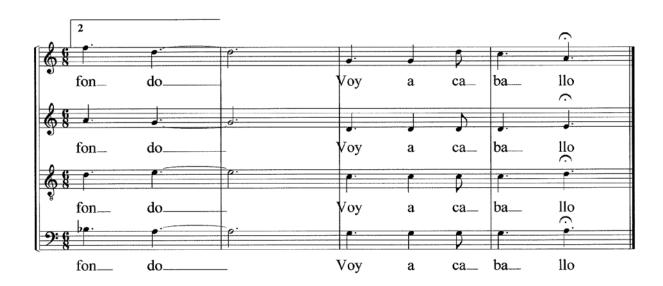
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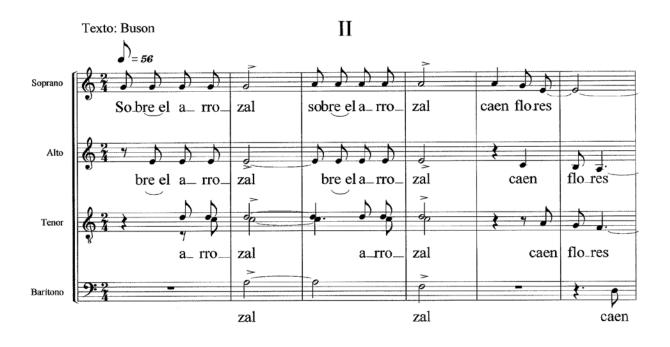


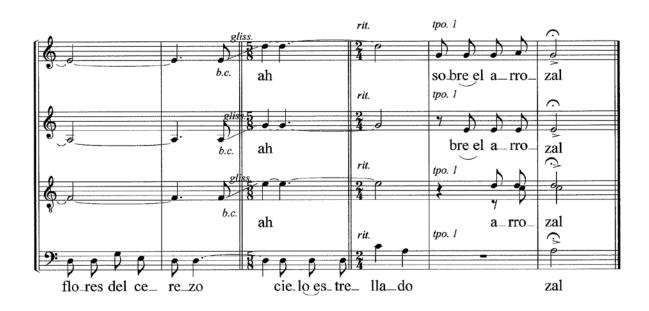


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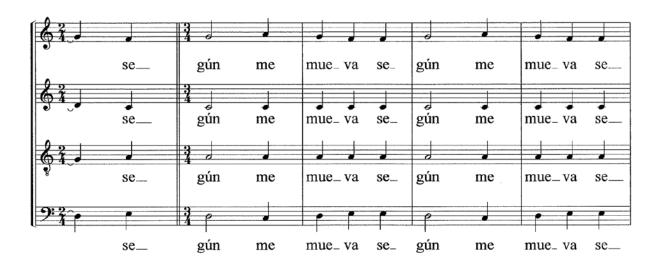


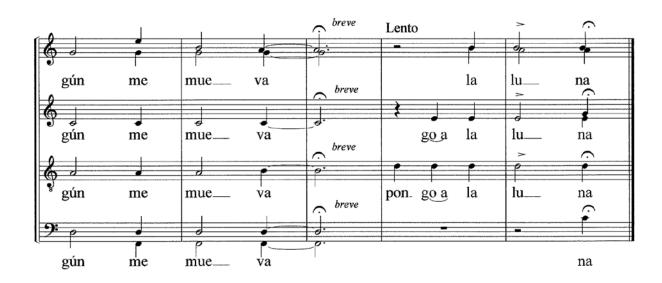


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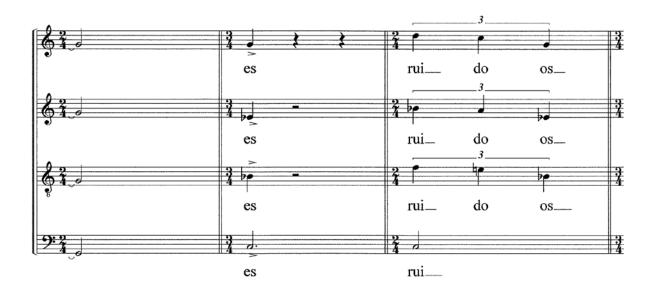


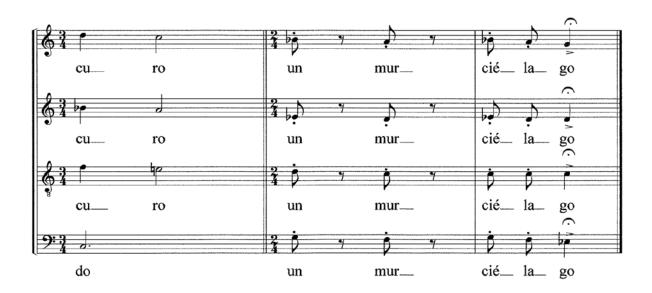




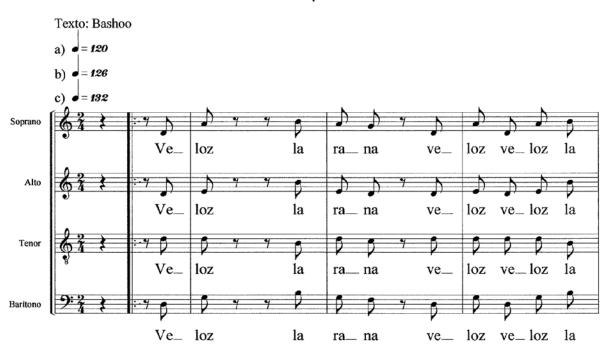
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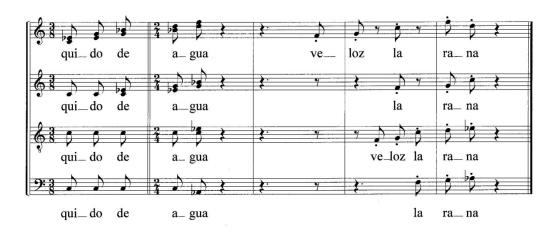




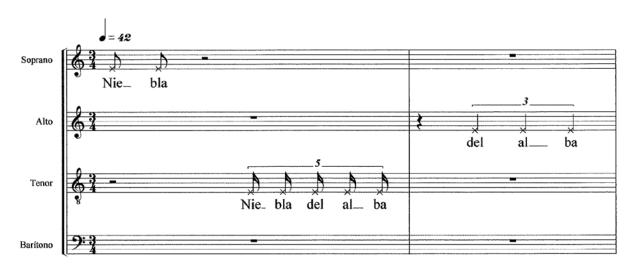




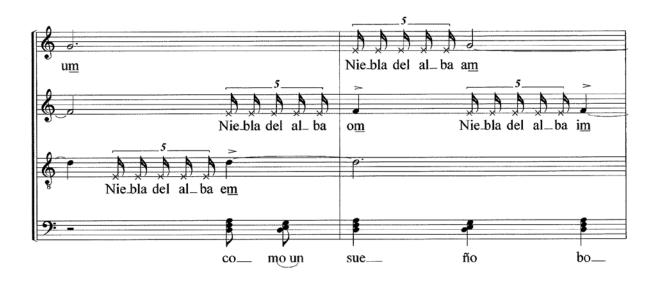


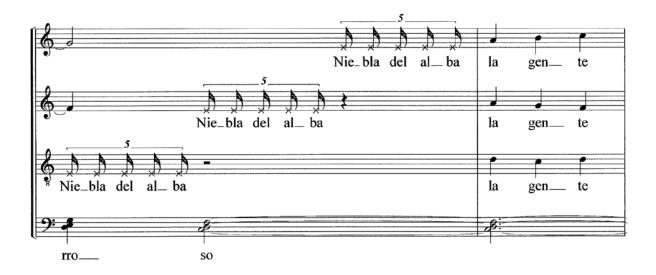


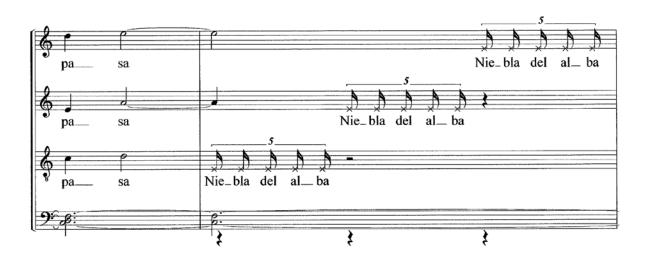
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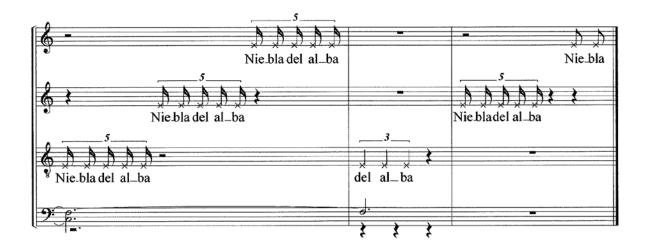




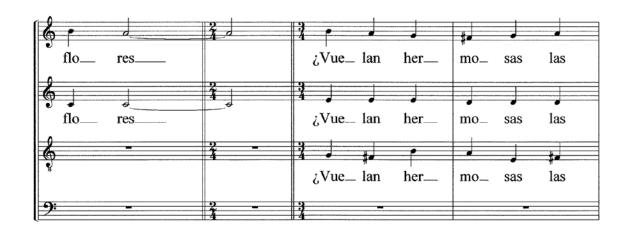


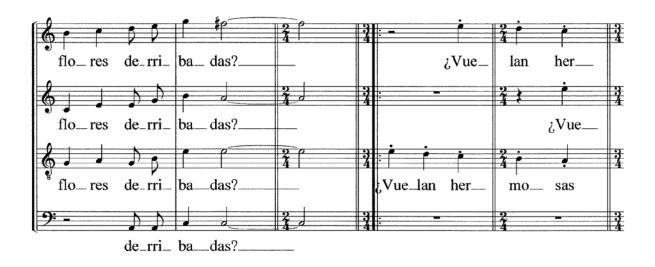


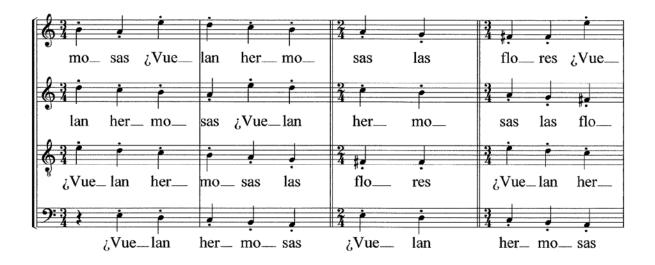




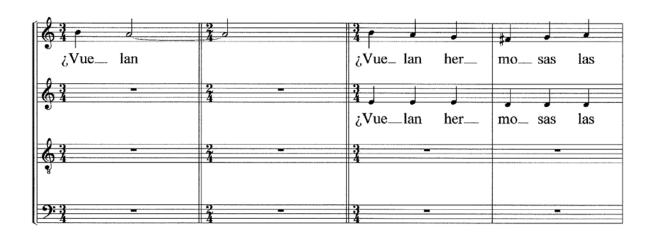


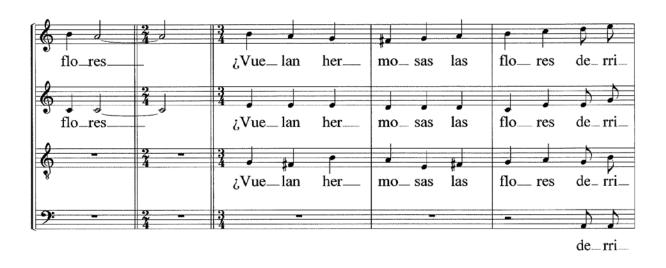


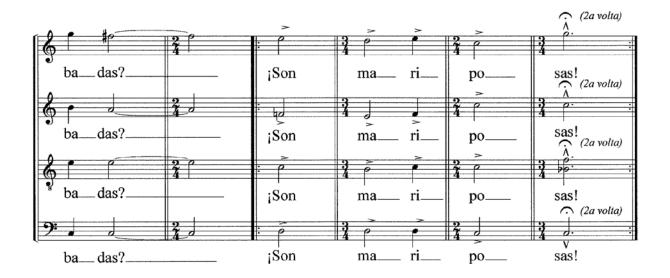














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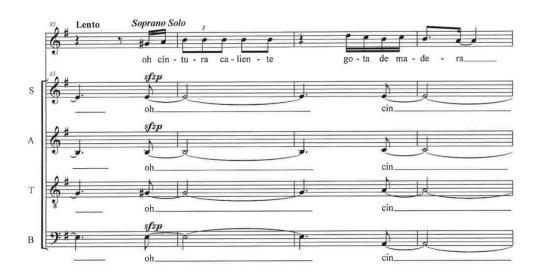


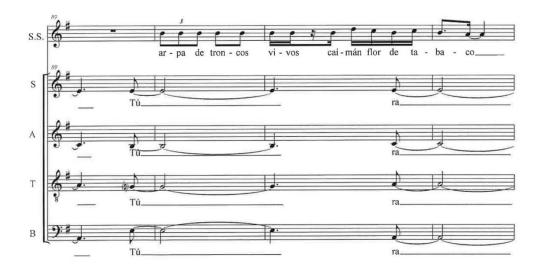


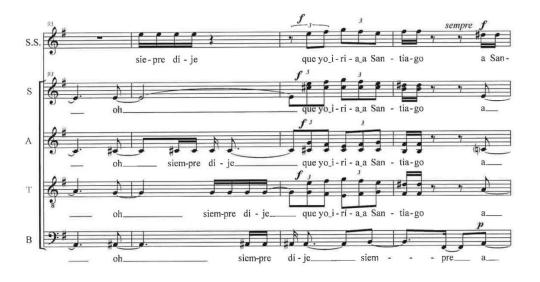


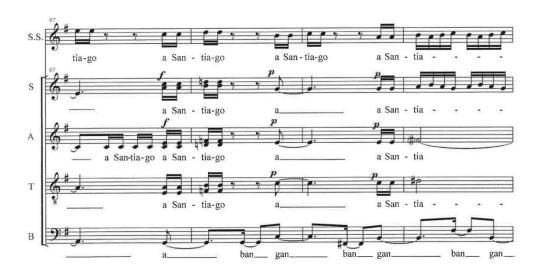


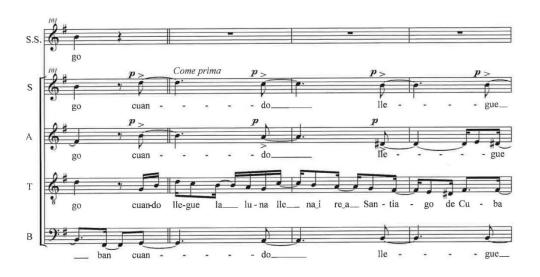


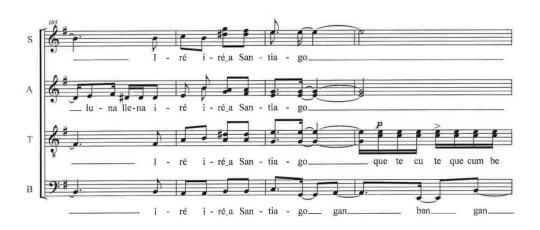


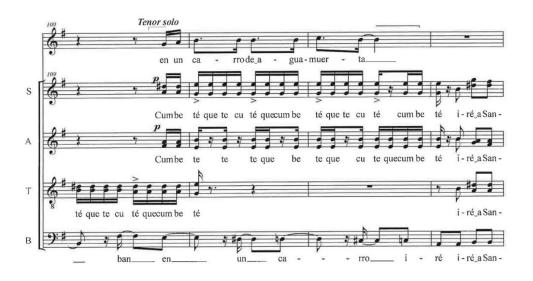


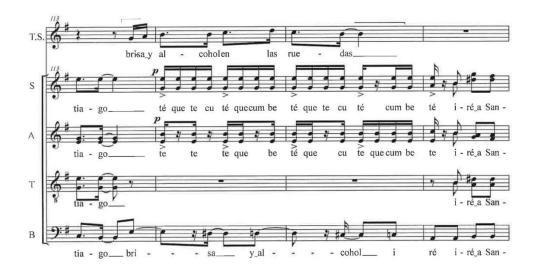


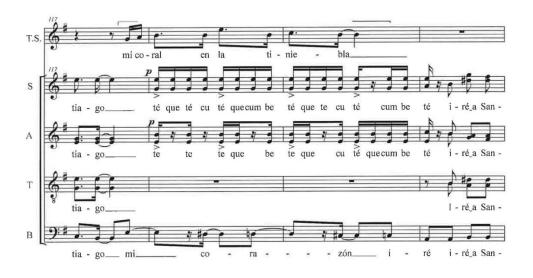


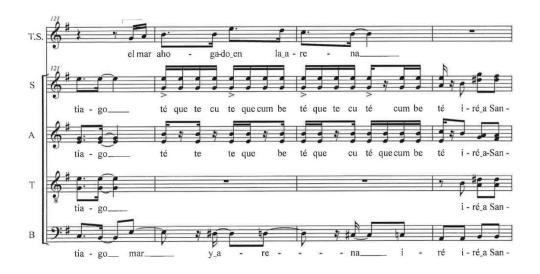


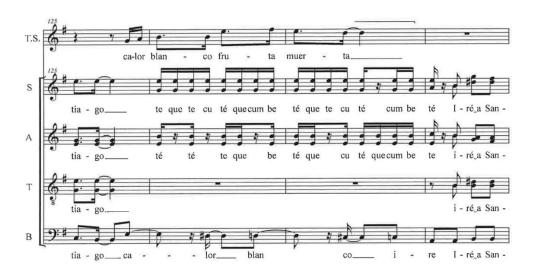


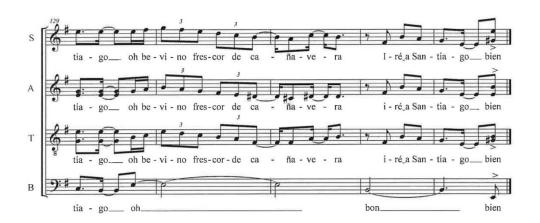












# APPENDIX B – SAMPLES OF CORAL CANTIGAS CONCERT PROGRAMS

### **PROGRAM**

ESA NOCHE YO BAILÁAnonymous (17th century Bolivia)  Marvin Quintero - bass
ELEGIT EUM DOMINUSGaspar Fernandes (Portugal, 1578-Spain, 1644)
MARISÁPALOSAnonymous (17th century Mexico)  Tina Chancey - viola da gamba
Mañanitas a la Virgen de Guadalupetraditional Mexico; arr. by Christopher Moroney Fernando Delgado and Marlon Grande - tenors
TLEYCANTIMO CHOQUILIYAGaspar Fernández Chris Herman - alto; Guillermo Almada - tenor
DIOS ES YA NACIDOTomás Pascual (Guatemala, c. 1595-1635)  Cecilia Esquivel – alto
SI TANTA GLORIA
Ay andar, andarJuan de Araujo (Extremadura, 1646 – Mexico 1712) Mariana Sobral de Elía - soprano; Chris Herman - alto Aref Dajani - tenor; Guillermo Almada - tenor
Intermission
LA BELLA Y GRACIOSA MOZA
SERENÍSIMA UNA NOCHEGerónimo González (Spain c. 1633)
LOS COFLADES DE LA ESTLEYAJuan de Araujo Martha Tornich and Natasha Baruk, sopranos
HANACPACHAP CUSSICUININJuan Pérez Bocanegra (fl.1590-1631)
CHUNCHU MUSICtraditional Peru Scott Reiss - recorder
VASIJA DE BARROOscar Vargas (Ecuador); arr. Luis Craff
SAUCECITO PALO VERDEtraditional Peru; arr. Christian Mantille Mayer
ESE RIGOR DE REPENTEGaspar Fernández Chris Herman alto; Aref Dajani -tenor
CONVIDANDO ESTA LA NOCHEJuan García de Zéspedes (Mexico, c. 1570-1629) Wendy Butler – soprano; Fernando Delgado - tenor

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# **Program**

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### WELCOMING REMARKS

Beatriz Haspo, Board President

• **
O Magnum MysteriumTomás Luis de Victoria (Spain: 1548-1611)
O Magnum MysteriumCésar Alejandro Carrillo (Venezuela: b.1957
Folia17 <sup>th</sup> century Spain
Prado verde y floridoPoem: Juan Boscán (Spain: c.1490-1542);
Music: Francisco Guerrero (Spain: c. 1528-1599)
A una dama que iba cubiertaPoem: Gómez Manrique (Spain: c.1412-1490);
Music: Federico Ibarra Groth (Mexico: b. 1948)
Dance SuiteAlonso Mudarra (Spain: c. 1510-1580)
Hanacpachap cussicuininJuan Perez Bocanegra (Spain: c.1590-Peru: 1631)
Salve ReginaAnonymous (The Chiquitos Missions of Bolivia: 1691-1767)
Vamos a BelénAnonymous (Bolivia: XVIII century)
Priscilla Soto – soprano; Robbie Kirkendall, soprano
INTERMISSION
Xicochi, xicochi conetzintleGaspar Fernandes (Portugal: 1566 – Mexico: 1629)
Marisapolos17th century Spain
Tleycantimo choquiliya
Adrienne Beaudoin – alto; David Travis - tenor
jOh Señora!Hernando Franco (Mexico: c.1522-1580)
Magalie Salas - soprano
Caballeros17th century Spain
Mañanitas a la Virgen de Guadalupetraditional Mexican;
Arr. Christopher Moroney
Variations over the Passamezzo Moderno17th century Spain
Así andandoTomás Pascual (Guatemala: c.1595-1635)
Fllory Correa-Dock - soprano
Ay andar, andarJuan de Araujo (Spain: 1646-Bolivia: 1712)
Christine Taylor-Castillo – soprano; Magalie Salas – soprano
Chris Herman – alto; Aref Dajani – baritone; Guillermo Almada - tenor
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Coral Cantigas	
Tleycantimo Choquiliya	
Lourdes Berthin, alto	
Aref Dajani, tenor	
Allá Vá un EncobijadoAntonio Lauro	
Arroz con Leche	
La Flor de la Canela	
Guedé NibóTrad. Haiti, arr. Miguel Garcia	
FI Guano Angel Guanipa	
Ramón González, Venezuelan cuatro	
Coral Cantigus and VOCE	
Sing Me to HeavenDaniel E. Gawthrop	
Sure On this Shining NightSamuel Barber	
ChesterWilliam Billings	
Alleluia	
Ezequiel Saw de Wheel Trad. Spiritual, arr. William L. Dawson	
Aref Dajani, tenor	
Intermission	
VACE	
Trad American arr Jackson Berkey (h. 1942)	
Amazing Grace Trad. American, arr. Jackson Berkey (b. 1942)	
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#### Program

# from spain to the colonies

Christmas Concerto, Op. 6 No. 8	Archangelo Corelli (1653-1713)
	Padre Antonio Soler (1729-1783)
Emilia Acón, sopro Pablo Heinrich, ter	ano nor
Trio in C Minor, Op. 14 No. 2	Luigi Boccherini (1743-1805)
Toquen presto a fuego	Esteban Salas (1725-1803)

Julianna Chitwood, violin Chiara Kingsley-Dieguez, violin and viola Douglas Wolters, cello Vera Kochanowsky, harpsichord

## intermission

> Jaquetta Bustion, soprano Karen Longacher, soprano Julee Allen, alto Jeannettee Warren, alto Philip Kafalas, tenor Jack Rasmussen, tenor

# villancicos y parrandas

oel Estrada (Puerto Rico); Arr. Angel Mattos
Traditional (Spain); Arr. Abel Di Marco
Traditional (Spain); Arr. Gregg Smith
Vicente Bianchi (Chile)
Traditional (Spain)

Cecilia Esquivel, guitar Ana Astrid Molina, Venezuelan cuatro Magdalena Saavedra, tambourine

## **PROGRAM**

## **Coral Cantigas**

with guests Conjunto Mérida & Emily Riggs

#### WELCOMING REMARKS

Beatriz Haspo, Board President

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En primavera	Edmundo Disdier (Puerto Rico: b.1927); arr. Ruben Colón Tarrats
Dos corazones	
Me gustas cuando ca	llas Blas Galindo; poem: Pablo Neruda (Chile: 1904-1973)
Se equivoc61a palon	na
	poem: Rafael Alberti (Spain: 1902-1999)
Sonata para viola	
	Second movement - Madrigal Cassie Stephenson, viola; David Ballena, piano
En tanto que de rosa	Francisco Guerrero (Spain: ca.1528-1599);
	poem: Garcilaso de la Vega (Spain: ca. 1501-1536)
El limonar florido	
I. Tal vez la mai	no, en sueño II. Tarde tranquila III. Desgarrada la nube; el arcoíris IV. Luz del alma
	Dana Weiderhold, violin; Jorge Espinoza, cello
	INTERMISSION
La Marinera	
Amor, mi buen amor	Inocente Carreño (Venezuela: b.1919)
Pampamapa	
	Emily Riggs, soprano; David Ballena, piano
Quien fuera como el	jardín
Soneto de la noche	
Pregúntale a ese mar	
	poem: Juan Beroes (Venezuela: 1914-1975)
Solo de guitarra	Beatriz Corona (Cuba: b.1962);
	poem: Nicolás Guillén (Cuba: 1902-1989)
Lil	pertango - Astor Piazzolla (Argentina: 1921-1992)
	Dana Weiderhold, violin; Cassie Stephenson, viola; Jorge Espinoza, cello
Primavera Porteña	<u>Astor</u> Piazzolla
	Patrons are requested to silence pagers, cellular phones,
	and signal watches during performance.  No photographs or recordings without the permission of Coral Cantigas.

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