

Choral Music

Introduction

- I am a harpist based in Baltimore, Maryland and perform as a soloist, chamber and ensemble musician
- I particularly enjoy performing choral music
- Teaching is quite important to me, and I teach both in person and online
- I compose and arrange, have many publications available through a variety of places, including the Atlanta and Virginia Harp Centers
- You may know me from my YouTube Channel, where I share all kinds of videos related to the various aspects of my career

General Thoughts about Choral Music

- · You might be performing with a small church choir or a large choral group, could be pedal or lever harp
- As with any ensemble, it is important to be well prepared
- · Listen to recordings to have a sense of the vocal parts
- Be ready for rests and entrances
- · Choral conductors might conduct a bit differently than orchestral conductors
- Be ready to adapt to their phrasing and breathe with the group
- · Size of choir and types of venues can really alter the balance with the harp

Forthcoming Publication, Choral Repertoire: Harp Parts

- I will soon be publishing a book harp parts from choral repertoire
- Most of the repertoire is existing pieces that include prominent harp parts
- The book will also include one of my own transcriptions of a work by Lili Boulanger
- I have re-notated everything for modern notation
- I have added pedal markings, fingerings, lots of cues to make everything harp friendly
- I have also have written a short textual introduction for each piece

Requiem by Gabriel Fauré

- Seven movement work
- The harp plays in three movements, quite prominent
- This is a popular work with many choirs
- I have included two page of this in the hand out for you today
- You can see the notation, cues, pedal markings, etc.

Soleils de Septembre by Lili Boulanger

- This is my own transcription
- I really love the music of Lili Boulanger and transcribed one of her solo piano pieces for solo harp a few years ago
- This work was originally written for choir and piano
- I did not alter the choir parts, but transcribed the piano part for harp
- I changed some of the melody to harmonics, adjusted the register and voicing of the chords
- I have included two pages from the beginning of this harp part
- If you'd like to hear the entire piece (with choir), you can do so on my YouTube Channel:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2uZZI4T C E

Thank you

- Thank you all for attending today!
- Thank you to MJ and Robbin for hosting me
- For more information, you can visit my website: www.jpharp.com or subscribe to my Youtube Channel: https://www.youtube.com/jacquelinepollauf
- I also maintain an informational harp website with lots of resources for harpist and sell my publications through this: www.harpinsideout.com
- I will announce more information about *Choral Repertoire: Harp Parts* on my website news, also through my email subscriber list, on social media, and on YouTube info



V. Agnus Dei - Tacet

VI. Libera Me - Tacet

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VII. In Paradisium



Soleils de Septembre

