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## **PROGRAM NOTES**

Hanukkah Memories utilizes some well-known melodies as well as others that do not usually appear in most other arrangements of Hanukkah music. The first tune, Maoz Tzur, is not the one most familiar, but the one harmonized by Benedetto Marcello in his Parafrasi Sopra li Salmi (Venice, 1724), where it is quoted as a melody of German Jews. This is followed by Mi Y'maleil (Who Can Retell) a well-known Hanukkah song. The third melody, one not often seen in most arrangements, is Nérot Dolkim (Burning Candles). The next tune, Nér Li (My Candle), is a gentle, traditional Hanukkah song played primarily by the wind sections of the orchestra accompanied by lilting rhythmic figures in the strings. While the final tune, S'vivon (Dreidel), is a traditional dreidel song, it is again not the usual one most often sung during the Hanukkah festival.

Using the colors of the full orchestra plus Harp (for its expressive qualities), *Hanukkah Memories* begins with a moving violoncello solo, and ends with the last iteration of *S'vivon* in augmentation, while instruments are added to bring the piece to an exciting conclusion.

—Pasquale Tassone

## INSTRUMENTATION

- 2 Flutes (1 doubles on Piccolo)
- 2 Oboes
- 2 Bb Clarinets
- 2 Bassoons
- 4 F Horns
- 2 Bb Trumpets
- 2 Trombones
- Bass Trombone

Tuba

Timpani

Percussion I

(Snare Drum

Bass Drum)

Percussion 2

(Orchestral Bells Suspended Cymbal

Tambourine

Xylophone)

Harp Strings

**Duration: 7:30** 

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