

Last Voyage of Queen Anne's Revenge

Ryan Meeboer

The *Queen Anne's Revenge* was the final ship sailed by Edward Thatch, also known as the pirate, Blackbeard. Recently, there have been some archaeological expeditions to find the remains of the sunken ship, all of which is somewhat reflected by this piece.

To give the "pirate-like" feeling to the music, it has been composed in 6/8 time, as have many pieces about pirates. It opens with a scale pattern to give the listener the feeling of being on the rough seas sailed by pirates. The introduction is to be intense to draw the listener into the music.

The main body of the piece is made up of AABA form, passing the melody between several instruments and growing more intense in dynamics, articulation, and rhythmical figures throughout. Countermelodies are also introduced later in the form to add to the intensity.

The middle of the piece is a slow moving, chorale-like section in 4/4 time, which is used to represent the demise of the ship and its crew. It is to be played as legato as possible by all players to create the somber emotion.

The piece ends by returning to the main section in 6/8 time and the original intensity to reflect the discovery of the ship in Dr. Davy Jones' Locker.

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Ryan Meeboer is a music educator who obtained his degree through the Ontario Institute for Studies in Education at the University of Toronto. As a composer, he has written and arranged many pieces for students in concert and jazz bands, and has also composed and arranged pieces for small university combos. As a performer, he has had experience in several groups, including concert and stage bands, chamber choir, vocal jazz ensemble, pop groups, acoustic duets, and the Hamilton based swing group, The Main Swing Connection.

Ryan Meeboer began studying music at the age of seven through private guitar lessons. During his years in elementary and secondary school, Ryan gained experience in several families of instruments. Focusing on music education and theory (including composition and orchestration), he attended McMaster University to achieve his honours degree in music.

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Saxophone Quartet (AATB)

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With Intensity! $\text{♩} = 108-120$

E♭ Alto Saxophone 1
mp *mf*

E♭ Alto Saxophone 2
mp *mf*

B♭ Tenor Saxophone
mf

E♭ Baritone Saxophone
mp *mf*

7 8 9 10 11 12

f *ff* *f* *ff* *mp*

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15 16 17 18

mf

19 20 21 22 23 24

not lead *mp* *mf* *mf*

lead *mf*

25 26 27 28 29 30

lead
mf
not lead

31 32 33 34 35 36

37 38 39 40 41 42 to Coda

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44 45 46 47 48

mp

49 *mf* 50 51 52 *f* *ff* Solemnly ♩ = 56 53 54

mf *f* *ff* *mp* very legato *fp*

55 *p* very legato 56 57 58 59 60

p very legato

61 62 63 (*p*) 64 65 66

mp

67 68 69 70 71 Tempo I ♩ = 112

mf *mf* *mp* *mf*

D.S. al Coda

Musical score for measures 72-74. The score is in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#). Measure 72 shows a melodic line in the third staff with eighth notes. Measure 73 has a dynamic marking of *mp* and a fermata over the first measure. Measure 74 continues the melodic line. The first and second staves are mostly empty with some rests.

CODA
⊕

Musical score for measures 75-77. Measure 75 starts with a fermata symbol (⊕) and a dynamic marking of *mp*. Measure 76 has an accent (^) over the first note. Measure 77 has a dynamic marking of *mp*. The score features a complex texture with multiple staves, including a grand staff (treble and bass clefs) and a piano part (treble and bass clefs). There are many slurs and accents throughout.

Musical score for measures 78-82. Measure 78 has a dynamic marking of *mp*. Measure 79 has a dynamic marking of *mp*. Measure 81 has a dynamic marking of *mp*. Measure 82 has a dynamic marking of *mp*. The score features a complex texture with multiple staves, including a grand staff (treble and bass clefs) and a piano part (treble and bass clefs). There are many slurs and accents throughout.

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