

Grade

1/2

Music for String Orchestra

# Open String Swing

Jordan K. Hawkins

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**INSTRUMENTATION**

Violin I.....	8
Violin II.....	8
Viola.....	5
Cello.....	5
Bass.....	5
Piano.....	1

## Notes

*Open String Swing* is a great opportunity for beginning students to perform jazz. Every part is played only on open strings throughout the entire piece and rhythms are homophonic throughout as well. The strings are scored in three parts: Violin I, Violin II/Viola, and Cello/Bass. This provides consistency between parts and strength in numbers. The piano is crucial as it supplies harmony not found in the string parts as well as keeping the tempo/rhythm driving forward. This introduction to jazz will expose students to a new genre of music and put a little swing in their bow.

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## About the Composer

Jordan K. Hawkins (b.1989) is a lifelong native of Spartanburg, SC. Music was an influential part of his life at an early age. As a lover of cinema, he was exposed to many of the great works by John Williams which became his inspiration to pursue music as a career. He joined orchestra in 5th grade, but switched to band in 6th grade where he remained throughout middle and high school as well as college. Hawkins graduated from Limestone University in 2014 with a B.A. in Music Education – Instrumental. Hawkins plays clarinet and saxophone professionally in various ensembles and currently works in the same school district that he graduated from in 2008. While he has been composing for many years, it wasn't until after university that publication became a real objective. Hawkins composes and arranges for string orchestra, wind ensemble, as well as various small ensembles.

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JORDAN K. HAWKINS

Confidently ♩ = 100

Violin I

Violin II

Viola

Cello

Bass

Piano

*f*

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Cello

Bass

Pno.

5

6

7

8

9

Vln. I *p* *f*

Vln. II *p* *f*

Vla. *p* *f*

Cello *p* *f*

Bass *p* *f*

Pno. *p* *f*

9

10

11

12

13

Vln. I *p* *f*

Vln. II *p* *f*

Vla. *p* *f*

Cello *p* *f*

Bass *p* *f*

Pno. *p* *f*

13

14

15

16

17

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Cello

Bass

Pno.

17

18

19

20

21

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Cello

Bass

Pno.

21

22

23

24

25

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Cello

Bass

Pno.

25 26 27 28

29

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Cello

Bass

Pno.

29 30 31 32

33

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Cello

Bass

Pno.

*p* *f* *p* *f* *p* *f* *p* *f*

33 34 35 36

37

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Cello

Bass

Pno.

*p* *f* *p* *f* *p* *f* *p* *f*

37 38 39 40

# December Winds

BROCK SNOW

Moderato ♩ = 100

Violin I  
Violin II  
Viola  
Cello  
Bass  
Sleigh Bell (optional)  
Piano (optional)

1 2 3

Violin I  
Violin II  
Viola  
Cello  
Bass  
Sl. Bells  
Pno.

4 5 6 7

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Vln. I  
Vln. II  
Vla.  
Cello  
Bass  
Sl. Bells  
Pno.

8 9 10

Vln. I  
Vln. II  
Vla.  
Cello  
Bass  
Sl. Bells  
Pno.

11 12 13

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