

Ten Classic, Modern, and New Christmas Songs for Solo Piano

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NOTES ABOUT THE COLLECTION:

Before the publication of this folio collection, I had composed and arranged 80 piano solos within 8 different collections. These were mostly sacred hymns, African-American spirituals, American folk songs, even original compositions of mine. Each book contains arranged works of music found in the public domain. Public domain is a great resource to find free material and utilize it for artistic expressions - the downside is that there are numerous possibilities to choose from. I love programming and doing the research to finalize a unique order of songs that correspond to a certain idea or theme. Combing through so much sheet music to choose from is pure joy.

I wanted this piano solo collection to be different in many ways. For instance, I had never arranged songs for solo piano that were (as of December 2022) still under copyright protection. I also wanted to arrange songs that my audience would know from the radio, movies, television, and the multitude of music-streaming platforms out there in the world. The Christmas season was coming up, and I realized this was the perfect time to give life to this collection. So with this venture it would neccessitate me to use a new approach.

It started when I posted on my Facebook profile in October 2022 asking for song suggestions from my family, friends and fans. There were many great ideas given, even some songs that I have never heard before. After collecting the ideas and incorporating a few of my own, I have put together an eclectic variety of ten Christmas standards (all spanning about a century apart) that will be enjoyed by every listener. Each of these songs, I believe, is already or will inevitably become a standard in the Christmas song repertoire. Artists like Pentatonix, Bing Crosby, even the Muppets are featured in this collection. I know I have missed on other famous artists and their Christmas favorites - maybe in the future I might do a second volume, so we'll see.

I want to thank every person who contributed suggestions for this collection. Their names are printed on the first page of their song. Without you, this book would not have been possible.

To you who have purchased this collection, I hope you and your loved ones enjoy my piano solo arrangements. And lastly, have a Merry Christmas!

— Christopher Alexander

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All I Want for Christmas is You

Suggested by Shaun Agnew and Lizzie Daggett Music by MARIAH CAREY and WALTER AFANASIEFF Arranged by CHRISTOPHER ALEXANDER



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Christmas Isn't Canceled (Just You)

Music by KELLY CLARKSON, JASON HALBERT and JESSI COLLINS Arranged by CHRISTOPHER ALEXANDER

Upbeat 60's Rock, straight eighths ($\sqrt{}$ = 140)





Have Yourself a Merry Little Christmas

Suggested by Erika Strasser Albin Music by HUGH MARTIN and RALPH BLANE Arranged by CHRISTOPHER ALEXANDER





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I'll Be Home for Christmas

Suggested by Henry Lange with Largo from 'New World Symphony'

Music by KIM GANNON and WALTER KENT Additional Music by ANTONIN DVORAK Arranged by CHRISTOPHER ALEXANDER





Let It Be Christmas

Suggested by Janis Evans Pargas Music by ALAN JACKSON Arranged by CHRISTOPHER ALEXANDER





Mary, Did You Know?

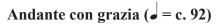
Suggested by Brian Schiermeyer Music by MARK LOWRY and BUDDY GREENE Arranged by CHRISTOPHER ALEXANDER





One More Sleep 'Til Christmas

Music by PAUL WILLIAMS Arranged by CHRISTOPHER ALEXANDER







Silver and Sold

Suggested by Gretchen Whitman Willson Music by JOHNNY MARKS Arranged by CHRISTOPHER ALEXANDER





That's Christmas to Me

Music by SCOTT HOYING and KEVIN OLUSOLA Arranged by CHRISTOPHER ALEXANDER









White Christmas

Suggested by Donna Moseman Music by IRVING BERLIN Arranged by CHRISTOPHER ALEXANDER









Christmas with You!

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