Title of Piece- Dance for Love

Name of Composer - Z Randall Stroope

Composer Nationality- American

Approximate date composed-2016

Event for which composed- setting of Civil War Poem, commissioned by Choirs of America

Salient characteristics:

   Melody- initial skips of major third followed by scale-wise ascending passage, soprano line above staff at times,

   Harmony – traditional triadic harmony

   Rhythm – gently flowing

   Form – ABA, fairly undeveloped B section

   Timbre- Warm, rich, round

   Voicing or instrumentation SATB, divisi in treble voices

   Text- English- Civil War poem by William Straub

   Language- English

   Other interesting compositional devices thick divisi in treble voices, some imitation between treble and t/b voices,

Vocal Challenges- shaping phrases throughout, keeping good tone in extremes of range (adjust in passagio), maintaining energy while balancing warmth of tone, balancing chords when thick texture, vowel unification

See Dr. B’s score for breath and phrasing and for releases