

Foreword

The weeks leading up to Christmas prepare our hearts for the coming of Christ. These are the days that are forever filled with so many joys, memories, smells, tastes, and sounds that we would never want to be without during the Advent season. Christmas carols, for me, cannot be separated from this time of year. The first one that you hear early on in the season will flood you with all sorts of emotions and reminiscences in preparing for that special day.

For the pianist, this collection offers new twists on old favorites by way of meditative and uplifting settings. Use the suggested tempos as a benchmark to mingle with your own expressiveness and presentation needs.

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