

I Will Share the World

WORDS AND MUSIC
BY JIM PAPOULIS

Sounds
— OF A —
BETTER
WORLD

BOOSEY & HAWKES



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NOTES FROM THE COMPOSER

So much of my time is spent in a setting with many children...all ages, all backgrounds, all different experiences. I love asking them questions... What do you feel is important? What makes a good person? If you could help the world in some way, what would you do? What inspires me is their answers. They value respect, kindness, and great care for our world and the people in it. These conversations constantly fill me with so much hope; hope that we are building a world of young people who are incredibly thoughtful, passionate, and giving.

Whenever I begin a new piece for a choir, I like to create one that connects somehow with the singers and also with the director's vision. Henry Leck's vision for this piece was a celebration around the importance of young people cherishing our planet. When I began my work on this piece, I happened to be spending an afternoon with some friends. The 8-year-old daughter of one of my friends heard me describing my newest piece, and after listening to me talk about it a bit and muse over how I could capture its essence in a title, she simply said, "how about you call it **"I Will Share the World?"**"

TEXT

Will I learn, will you learn, will we learn?

Will I learn from the ocean as I try to feel the sky?

As I dance like a river will it stand the test of time?

What can one small voice do?

I will stand for the future,

I will sing for the joy of the sun,

As we learn from the beauty I will share the world with you,

Take my hand,

How many times will we have to learn

The heart of the world is in our hands,

If we would all care for beauty

Then we would learn to take a stand.

For the children I will lift my heart to the ocean,

I will send my love to the sky,

I will learn to fly like an eagle,

Let's join our hands for the world.

We can learn our love can heal the world.

As we learn from the beauty I will share the world with you.

DURATION

Ca. 3 minutes 30 seconds

ABOUT THE COMPOSER

Jim Papoulis has a distinctive musical style that combines contemporary sounds with musical traditions from around the globe. Traveling worldwide, Papoulis works with international artists and ensembles in order to explore and create a sound for a global community. This multi-cultural sound has become the cornerstone of his works for choirs, orchestras, and ensembles.

Everywhere Papoulis travels, he actively immerses himself in the local music, instruments, and culture, gaining the ability to incorporate these diverse elements gracefully into his work. His choral compositions often seem to reflect the personal, inner perspectives of those who sing them, enabling his music to create a bridge of honest feeling and inspiration between singer and listener.

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Mp3's of individual parts can be found at:

www.jimpapoulis.com

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Henry Leck, Director

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SSA with Piano, Djembe and Shaker*

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Rubato

Soprano I

Soprano II

Alto

Piano

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Will you

Will I learn?

Rubato

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8th

learn?

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Will we learn?

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* Part for Djembe and Shaker is available as a digital download from the publisher at halleonard.com (#48024861)

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ooh _____

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