

Fishing

Fishing, running out the bay,
Sailing, got her under way,
On the bank and steering straight,
Whipping breeze and tub of bait.

Traps and trawls and finger stalls,
Rubber boots and *killick claws,
Lines, twines, ropes and coils,
Get sore hands and full of boils.

* anchor of a small boat

What a brave young banker's crew,
Foolish things cod-jiggers do,
Catching codfish, pick out dogfish,
Catching big fish, pick out small fish.

Haul up smelt and salmon, too,
Catching more than just a few,
Steady wind and thick'ning fog,
Bound for home to get more grog.

—Tara Wohlberg (b. 1967)
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Program Notes

Stephen Chatman's *Due East* was commissioned in 2006 by the Philharmonic Choir of the Newfoundland Symphony, Douglas Dunsmore, Director, for St. John's Festival 500. This four-song set is similar in general character to Chatman's earlier sets *Due North* (7.0367–7.0371) and *Due West* (7.0397–7.0401). In *Due East*, the lyrics by Tara Wohlberg ring specifically Canadian Maritime themes. The slow, forceful “Nor’easter” and the lively “Minke Whale” and “Fishing” relate to nature and the sea. The lament, “Farewell Nancy,” is an original setting of a traditional Newfoundland text adapted by Tara Wohlberg. It employs simple but exquisite harmonies, culminating in a dramatic improvised “Irish style” solo.

Due East is one in a series of four choral suites that explore the cultural and natural wonders of various regions of North America. Stephen Chatman's choral settings are broad in scope; the tone painting evokes the stunning landscapes and their diverse communities. Both his original texts and those of poet Tara Wohlberg capture the enchanted worlds of North, South, East, and West.

Commissioned by the Philharmonic Choir of the Newfoundland Symphony, Douglas Dunsmore, Director

Due East

4. Fishing

for SSATBB Chorus unaccompanied

Tara Wohlberg

Stephen Chatman

Spirited ♩ = 116-120

p

Alto

pp

Tenor

Fish-ing, run-ning out the bay, Sail-ing, got her un-der-way,

Fish-ing, sail-ing, fish-ing, sail-ing, fish - ing, sail - ing, fish - ing, sail - ing,

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S

mp

A

(p)

T

p

B

p

Fish-ing, run-ning out the bay,

On the bank and steer-ing straight, Whip-ping breeze and tub of bait, Fish - ing, run - ning,

fish - ing, sail - ing, fish - ing, sail - ing, Fish - ing, run - ning,

Fish - ing, run - ning,

for rehearsal only

11 *p* *div. trawls,* *units. mp*

Traps and trawls and fin-ger stalls, Rub - ber boots and *kil-lick claws, Lines, twines, ropes and coils,

p *mp*

Traps and trawls and fin-ger stalls, Rub - ber boots and *kil-lick claws, Lines, twines, ropes and coils,

p *mp*

Traps and trawls and fin-ger stalls, Rub - ber boots and *kil-lick claws, Lines, twines, ropes and coils,

p *mp*

Trap - ping, trawl - ing, trap - ping, trawl - ing, trap - ping, trap - ping, trawl - ing,

* anchor of a small boat

15 *div. twines,* *unis. mf* *div. trawls*

Get sore hands and full of boils, Traps and trawls and fin-ger stalls, Rub - ber boots and

mf

Get sore hands and full of boils, Traps and trawls and fin-ger stalls, Rub - ber boots and

mf

Get sore hands and full of boils, Traps and trawls and fin-ger stalls, Rub - ber boots and

unis. mf

trap - ping, trawl - ing, trap - ping, Traps and trawls and fin-ger stalls, Rub - ber boots and

19 *unis. f* *div. twines,* *ff*

kil-lick claws, Lines, twines, ropes and coils, Get sore hands and full of boils, Traps and trawls and fin-ger stalls,

f *ff*

kil-lick claws, Lines, twines, ropes and coils, Get sore hands and full of boils, Traps and trawls and fin-ger stalls,

f *ff*

kil-lick claws, Lines, twines, ropes and coils, Get sore hands and full of boils, Traps and trawls and fin-ger stalls,

f *ff*

*kil-lick claws, Lines, twines, ropes and coils, Get sore hands and full of boils, Traps and trawls and fin-ger stalls,

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S A

Rub-ber boots and kil-lick claws, Lines, twines, ropes and coils, Rub-ber boots and kil-lick claws,

T B

Rub-ber boots and kil-lick claws, Lines, twines, ropes and coils, Rub-ber boots and kil-lick claws,

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p sub.

Fish-ing, sail-ing, fish-ing, sail-ing, fish-ing, sail-ing, fish-ing, sail-ing, What a brave young bank-er's crew,

cresc. poco a poco

p sub.

Fish-ing, sail-ing, fish-ing, sail-ing, fish-ing, sail-ing, fish-ing, sail-ing, What a brave young bank-er's crew,

cresc. poco a poco

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(mp cresc.)

(mf cresc.)

(f cresc.)

Fool-ish things cod - jig-gers do, What a brave young bank-er's crew, Fool-ish things cod - jig-gers do,

(mp cresc.)

(mf cresc.)

(f cresc.)

Fool-ish things cod - jig-gers do, What a brave young bank-er's crew, Fool-ish things cod - jig-gers do,

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ff sempre

S What a brave crew, Catch - ing cod - fish, Catch - ing

ff sempre

A What a brave young bank-er's crew, Fool-ish things cod - jig-gers do, What a brave young

ff sempre

T What a brave crew, Catch - ing cod - fish, Catch - ing

ff sempre div.

B What a brave young bank-er's crew, Fool-ish things cod - jig-gers do, What a brave young

* Mm. 38-45: Some tenors may sing the baritone part.

44 big fish, Catch - ing cod - fish, *unis. intense*

bank - er's crew, Fool - ish things cod - jig - gers do, Catch - ing cod - fish, pick out dog - fish,

bank - er's crew, Fool - ish things cod - jig - gers do, *intense* Catch - ing cod - fish, *unis.* pick out dog - fish,

big fish, Catch - ing cod - fish *intense* Catch - ing cod - fish, pick out dog - fish,

bank - er's crew, Fool - ish things cod - jig - gers do, *unis. intense* Catch - ing cod - fish, pick out dog - fish,

bank - er's crew, Fool - ish things cod - jig - gers do, Catch - ing cod - fish, pick out dog - fish,

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Catch - ing big fish, pick out small fish,

Catch - ing big fish, pick out small fish,

p sub. *pp*

Catch - ing big fish, pick out small fish, Catch - ing cod - fish, pick out dog - fish, Catch - ing cod - fish,

p sub.

Catch - ing big fish, pick out small fish, Catch - ing cod - fish, pick out dog - fish,

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p

Haul up smelt and sal-mon, too, Catch-ing more than just a few,

p

Haul up smelt and sal-mon, too, Catch-ing more than just a few,

8 pick out dog - fish, Catch - ing cod - fish, Catch - ing cod - fish,

57

Stead - y wind, ———

mp *unis. mf*

Stead-y wind and thick'n-ing fog, Bound for home to get more grog, Haul up smelt and sal-mon, too,

mp *mf*

Stead-y wind and thick'n-ing fog, Bound for home to get more grog, Haul up smelt and sal-mon, too,

p *mf*

8 Catch - ing cod fish, Catch - ing cod - fish, Haul up smelt and sal-mon, too,

mp *mf*

Stead-y wind and thick'n-ing fog, Bound for home to get more grog, Haul up smelt and sal-mon, too,

60 haul, _____ fog, _____

unis. f

Catch - ing more than just a few, Stead - y wind and thick'n - ing fog, Bound for home to

f

Catch - ing more than just a few, Stead - y wind and thick'n - ing fog, Bound for home to

f

Catch - ing more than just a few, Stead - y wind and thick'n - ing fog, Bound for home to

f

Catch - ing more than just a few, Stead - y wind and thick'n - ing fog, Bound for home to

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p cresc. poco a poco

Stead - y wind, Bound for home,

get more grog, Stead - y wind and thick'n - ing fog, Bound for home to get more grog,

p cresc. poco a poco

get more grog, Stead - y wind and thick'n - ing fog, Bound for home to get more grog,

p cresc. poco a poco

get more grog, Stead - y wind, Bound for home,

p cresc. poco a poco

get more grog, Stead - y wind and thick'n - ing fog, Bound for home to get more grog,

* Mm. 64-69: Some tenors may sing the baritone part.

(cresc. poco a poco)

67 Stead - y wind, Home to get more

Stead - y wind and thick'n - ing fog, Stead - y wind, thick'n - ing fog, Bound for home, get — more

(cresc. poco a poco)

Stead - y wind and thick'n - ing fog, Stead - y wind, thick'n - ing fog, Bound for home, get — more

(cresc. poco a poco)

Stead - y wind, Home to get more

(cresc. poco a poco)

Stead - y wind and thick'n - ing fog, Stead - y wind, thick'n - ing fog, Bound for home, get — more

70 *unis. ff*

grog. Stead - y wind, thick'n - ing fog, Bound — for home.

ff

grog, Stead - y wind, thick'n - ing fog, Bound — for home.

ff

grog, Stead - y wind, thick'n - ing fog, Bound — for home.

unis. ff stagger breathing

unis.

grog, — Bound — for home.

ritard.