

## Bell Trees – An Overview

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This class begins with a 20-minute video presentation of the overview of bell trees as they have been performed in a multitude of ways. It will be followed by looking at music and listening to recordings (and videos) of the future direction of bell trees.

### Bell-Tree-With-Bell-Choir Music reviewed in this class:

**Gladness and Grace** by Michael Mazzatenta - NMHB672 -

Level 2+, requiring only one set of bells and some chimes. Single string bell tree.

**Air and Hornpipe** by Sondra Tucker NMHB673

Level 3, requiring only one set of bells and some chimes. Single string bell tree.

**Tis a Gift** by Anna Laura Page - AP17556

Level 2, full bell choir score, 3-5 octaves. Stand-alone and also compatible with TO107 score to play with bell trees. Multiple strings on bell tree.

**Tis a Gift**, arr. B. Brocker - TO107

Bell tree solo with piano; compatible with AP17556 score to play along with full bell choir. Multiple strings on bell tree

**Ostinato Fantasia** by Louise Frier - AG35204

Level 2+, requiring only one set of bells and some chimes. One or two bell trees; single string each.

### Resources:

**A Bell Tree Journey** video credits (attached as class notes to this class)

**Bell Tree Repository** -

<https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1XTaeYY-Ag53NvK-3tN4WrVYsnULd-vdE?usp=sharing>

Many bell tree resources here, including equipment, training videos, music, class notes from bell tree instructors, etc. In the repository you will find:

**300+ Bell Tree Videos** –

[https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1hrbdIGyONRVXt\\_aZINi19iCUZw72mn7](https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1hrbdIGyONRVXt_aZINi19iCUZw72mn7) Click on “300+ Bell Tree Videos. This is 44 pages long! Suggest copying the link for future reference. I have found it invaluable at times to see how someone else plays a song that I am trying to learn.

**Bell Tree and Bell Choir List** –

[https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1-kdXbv24awuA1Y3-](https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1-kdXbv24awuA1Y3-BPw2jiDHEoKLRXyr/edit#gid=621468651)

[BPw2jiDHEoKLRXyr/edit#gid=621468651](https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1-kdXbv24awuA1Y3-BPw2jiDHEoKLRXyr/edit#gid=621468651) A partial list of available bell-tree-with-bell-choir-music.

**Bell Tree and Bell Choir Class** – [https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1XTaeYY-Ag53NvK-](https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1XTaeYY-Ag53NvK-3tN4WrVYsnULd-vdE?usp=sharing)

[3tN4WrVYsnULd-vdE?usp=sharing](https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1XTaeYY-Ag53NvK-3tN4WrVYsnULd-vdE?usp=sharing) Click on Class Notes, the Bell Trees and Choir – KVV, then BT & Choir.pptx for the powerpoint presentation. Taught by Karen Van Wert. Includes many scores with both bell tree and bell choir together.