

# **AARON, THE ALLERGIC SHEPHERD**

**A CHRISTMAS MUSICAL FOR YOUNG VOICES**

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**Orchestrations by John DeVries**

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**Performance Length: Approx. 17 minutes**

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## **PRODUCTION NOTES**

“Aaron, the Allergic Shepherd” is designed to accommodate any size cast. For small groups (as few as 8 children), the Host parts may be read by fewer than 3 speakers (or only one); the speaker(s) could also be a non-singing adult or youth. For larger groups desiring more speaking parts, divide the Host lines among more speakers. All the speaking parts can be performed by boys or girls.

## **CAST**

(in order of appearance)

Hosts 1, 2, 3:	Energetic and articulate; they’re ready to tell the story.
Aaron:	Eager and good-natured; has a problem with sneezing!
I. B. Lambchop:	Head Shepherd with a heart...but businesslike and official.
Dr. Pepper:	Smooth and professional.
Angel:	Happy to share the Good News!
Sheep:	Has one sneeze. (Add more sheep as desired.)
The Choir:	A “Greek Chorus” of sorts...they comment on the action.

## **SET**

No set is needed. Or, you can make your production as elaborate as you like and resources allow. A backdrop that depicts the shepherd’s field and guiding star, with the lights and buildings of Bethlehem in the distance, would add a nice touch. For “Come As You Are,” a small nativity with Mary and Joseph would also add to the entire production.

## **COSTUMES**

Simple, “Biblical” attire for the characters is appropriate. The choir can wear “dressy casual” regular clothes, matching t-shirts and pants, or Biblical attire since they are very present in the action.

## **AUDIO**

The Accompaniment CD includes an audio clip of ambient sheep and pasture sounds. To utilize these sounds for your performance, transfer track 43 to a separate sound source for playback.

# Aaron, the Allergic Shepherd

## Overture

Music by  
MARK CABANISS and  
RUTH ELAINE SCHRAM

**ACCOMP.** Joyfully (♩ = ca. 112)

*mf*

4

8

12

16

**17**

*poco rit.*

*a tempo*

*f*

**1** This symbol refers to the corresponding track numbers on the Choral Trax Accompaniment CD.  
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