

Christmas PPM01726 \$2.90

Patapan

Alan Smith

SA and piano

Alan Smith

Alan Smith was born in London in 1962 and was spent his childhood in Croydon. He attended Trinity School and was involved in many of the activities of its prestigious Music Department. He was also immersed in church music from an early age. He joined his local church choir at the age of seven and also sang with the Royal School of Music's Headquarters Choir, based at nearby Addington Palace. It was here that he had began organ lessons with Michael Fleming when he was ten. Alan's first appointment was as Organist and Choirmaster of a local church at the age of 16. Thrown in at the deep end, he managed somehow to swim rather than sink and eventually became Organ Scholar at Kings' College, London, where he studied from 1981 to 1984. As part of his music degree, he specialized in composition, studying with Nicola LeFanu, David Lumsdaine and George Nicholson.

Following postgraduate training at the London Institute of Education, Alan began his teaching career at Whitgift School, Croydon. After working in various schools, he became Head of Music at Hazelwick School, Crawley in 1990, a post which he held for 22 years. In the same year, he came to some prominence by winning the RSCM's annual composing competition. His successful entry, *Let the Peoples Praise You*, became his first published piece and continues to be widely performed. Since then, Alan's choral and organ compositions have won numerous awards and prizes and his works have recently featured in the London A Cappella Festival, the London Festival of Contemporary Church Music and the Annual Festival of New Organ Music. One of his recent successes was in the 2012 AGO-ECS Publishing Award for Choral Composition, making him the first British composer to win this prestigious American prize. Alan's output is predominantly choral and vocal music; his work is widely performed throughout Europe and America, and has been broadcast on both BBC Radio 3 and Classic FM.

Many of Alan's compositions are written for specific choirs or occasions and recent commissions have included work for the Burgess Hill Choral Society (Sussex, UK), St James the Greater (Charlestown, WV), the 2011 Hurst Festival (Sussex, UK), Millfield School (Somerset, UK) and a chamber organ piece for Paul Ayres (London, UK). His catalogue runs to almost 300 pieces, most of which have been published. Since 1988, Alan has been Director of Music at St Andrew's church in Burgess Hill, West Sussex. He lives in the nearby village of Newick with his wife and three children. He has recently given up full-time teaching to develop a freelance career focusing on composing, examining, training and lecturing.

PUBLISHER'S NOTE: In late April, 2017, Mr. Smith lost his battle with cancer. We received this news on the day he received his proofs for his work "*Patapan*." We would like to express both our condolences to his wife and family and gratitude for the opportunity to publish this work.—*Paraclete Press Sheet Music Editorial Team*

Patapan

SA and piano

Original French text by Bernard de la Monnoye Translated by Percy Dearmer (1867-1936)

Alan Smith



Copyright © 2017 by Paraclete Press, Orleans, MA 02653 All rights reserved.





















Selected Works Published by Paraclete Press

Barton, David Be Thou My Vision—PPM01703

SATB and piano

We Pray for Peace-PPM01704

Two vocal parts and piano with opt. instrumental parts

Diorio, Michael J. Christmas 1945—PPM01705

SATB a cappella

Hill, Jackson St. Chad Magnificat and Nunc

Dimittis-PPM01707

SATB and organ

Nixon, June arr. Stille Nacht—PPM01709

SATB with some divisi a cappella

Phillips, Craig The Lord is Risen Indeed!—PPM01710

SATB and organ with brass quintet and timpani

Russell, Carlton A Trilogy of Prayer—PPM01712

SATB with some divisi a cappella

Tipton, Noel arr. This Place, Our Anchorage—PPM01713

SATB, piano or organ

White, David Ashley Christ has Opened Paradise—PPM01715

SATB and organ (opt. brass quartet)

FROM OUR HYMNS OF PRAISE SERIES:

Nixon, June arr. O Praise Ye the Lord—PPM01656

SATB with organ, trumpet and congregation

A BEST SELLER!

Barton, David Carol of the Light–PPM01654

Unison voices and keyboard

FOR LENT:

Casurella, Stephan arr. There is a Balm-PPM01617

Two-part treble choir and organ

FOR ORGAN:

Powell, Robert J. Twenty-five Organ Accompaniments for

Unison Hymn Singing-PPM01711



PARACLETE PRESS

P.O. Box 1568, Orleans, MA 02653 1-800-451-5006 www.paracletesheetmusic.com