# Sailor Songs

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Leave Her, Johnny, Leave Her • Her Bright Smile • Bangidero

By Vijay Singh





## PERFORMANCE NOTES

These pieces should be sung with virile energy while conveying the three different emotional tones of each individual work.

"Leave Her, Johnny, Leave Her" is a playful arrangement in which the ensemble encourages one of its own (Johnny) to bid farewell to his female shore leave companion. Encourage the singers to imagine they are loading the ship for departure and watching with amusement as young Johnny tries to bid his lady farewell.

"Her Bright Smile", based on the plaintive words of an anonymous sailor poem, details the sailor's loneliness and longing for his ladylove. The imagery and simple honesty of the text suggest that not all sailors were carousing louts who wished only for the open sea. This piece should start and end hauntingly, with great dynamic and textural variation in the middle.

"Bangidero" is derived from a traditional sea chantey in which a crew sings of admiration for its captain and his tales of shore leave opportunities in South America. This piece should not be performed too quickly; rather, an easy lilting tempo will allow the audience to enjoy the humorous text.

### For Male Ensemble Northwest

(A Three-Piece Set for Male Voices)

## 1. Leave Her, Johnny, Leave Her

For TBB a cappella

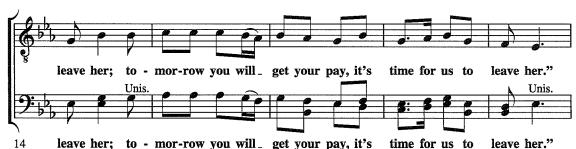
Performance Time: Approx. 1:25

**Traditional Chantey** Arranged by VIJAY SINGH (ASCAP)









leave her; to - mor-row you will get your pay, it's time for us to leave her."







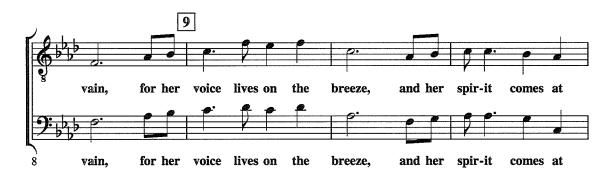
# 2. Her Bright Smile

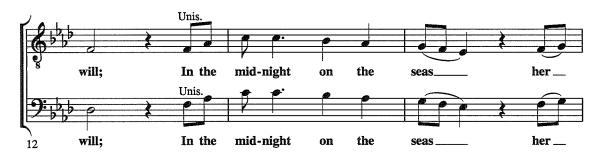
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> Traditional Text Music by VIJAY SINGH (ASCAP)

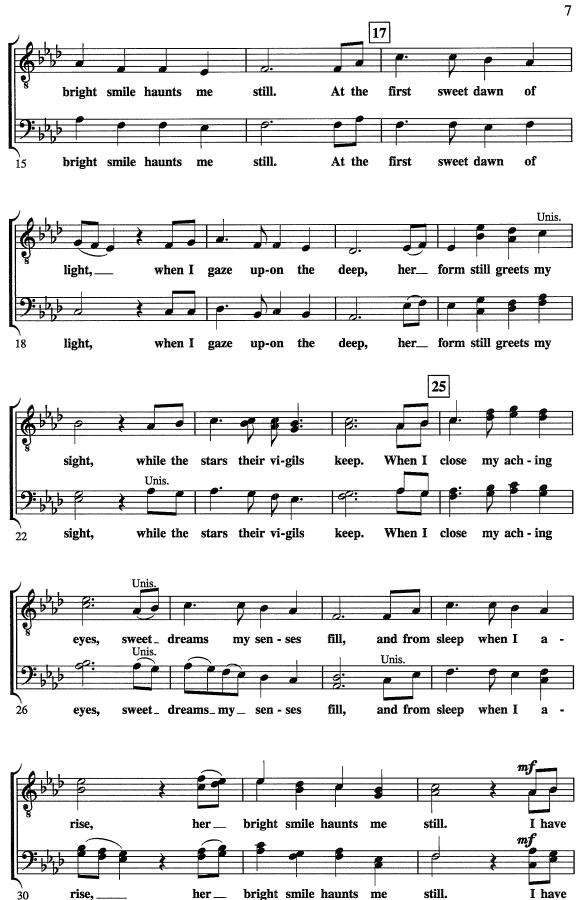








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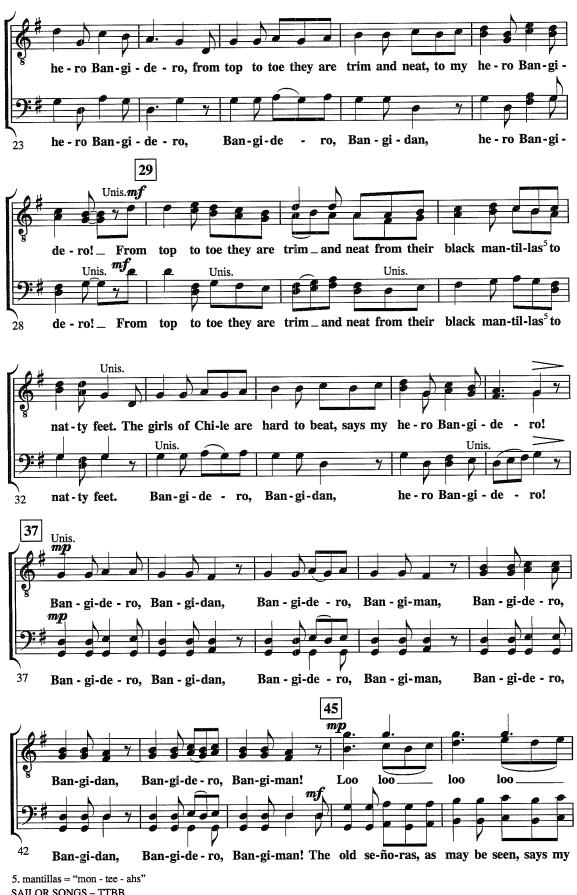
## 3. Bangidero

For TTBB a cappella Performance Time: Approx. 3:00

**Traditional Text** 



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