

## TRANSCEND

### CHOIR and LEVEL

Children, Youth, Adult

*Skilled/Advanced*

*Transcend (Rhapsody on Whistling)* is a unique and original new choral work. Transcendental whistling was an ancient Chinese technique of long-drawn resounding whistling. A skillful whistler could summon animals, communicate with supernatural beings, and control weather phenomena...a peaceful world. The most famous transcendental whistlers lived during the third century Daoism period. Daoism refers to a set of Chinese traditions and religions which emphasized living in harmony. *Rhapsody on Whistling*, a story written by Chenggong Sui (231-273) follows the journey of a disgruntled man. The piece partners choir with sustained whistling.

**Traditional Choral style with Pitched Whistling.**