# THE ORGAN MUSIC OF NED ROREM (b. 1923): A GRADED TEACHING SEQUENCE

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# Abbreviations:

OB = Organbook(1, 2, 3)

QR = A Quaker Reader

SP = Six Pieces for Organ

VH = Views From the Oldest House

#### I. EASIEST

QR: "There Is a Spirit That Delights to Do No Evil..."; "...No darkness at all..."

VH: Elms

OB I: Episode; Song; Serenade OB II: Pie Jesu; Stabat Mater

SP: Entreat Me Not

## II. MORE CHALLENGING, BUT NOT DIFFCULT

Pastorale for Organ

QR: First-Day Thoughts; "Bewitching attire of the most charming simplicity..."; A

Secret Power; Return Home to Within

VH: The Nest in Old North Church

OB II: Rex Tremendae; In Nomine Domini

OB III: Impromptu

SP: Why and Because; The Flight into Egypt

#### III. MODERATELY DIFFICULT / DIFFICULT

Fantasy and Toccata

QR: The World of Silence; One Sigh Rightly Begotten; Ocean of Light

VH: Sunrise on Sunset Hill; Rain Over the Quaker Graveyard

OB I: Fantasy; Reveille

OB II: Magnificat; "Eli, Eli, Lama Sabachthani?"

OB III: Rondo; Passacaglia; Fanfare; Fugue

SP: To Tallis; Cortège

### **IV. MOST DIFFICULT**

QR: Mary Dyer did hang as a flag...; Evidence of Things Not Seen

VH: Spires; Sunday Night

SP: Touch and Go