

Benjamin Britten

*The Building of the House*

*(Das neue Haus)*

Op. 79

Overture

(with or without chorus)

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at the 20th Aldeburgh Festival  
This was on Friday June 2nd 1967  
and the performers were the English Chamber Orchestra  
and a Chorus of East Anglian choirs  
conducted by the composer

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**Very fast** (♩ or ♪ = 172)

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2 Flutes

2 Oboes

2 Clarinets in Bb

2 Bassoons

2 Horns in F

2 Trumpets in C

Tuba

3rd Trumpet in C

Alto\*  
Tenor

3 Trombones  
Bass

ad libitum

Timpani

Percussion (one player)

Bells (hard stick)

Sopranos  
Altos  
Chorus (ad libitum)  
Tenors  
Basses

1st Violins

2nd Violins

Violas

Cellos

Doublebasses

Organ (ad libitum)

*ff* *f stacc.* *a 2* *f stacc.* *dim.* *mf*

*f détaché* *f* *détaché* *pizz.* *arco f*

\*The 1st Trombone part can be played on a tenor trombone.

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