

Sussex Carol – On Christmas Night

Music: Sung by Kings College Cambridge
Choreo: Bridget Casey
Intro: very short! Less than 2 bars of 6/8 time
Begin on the second word – ‘Christmas’ which comes on a main beat, the first beat of bar 3.

Part 1 twice Arms V hold

Rock forward R, with a slight lift of the left, rock back on the Left, arms coming naturally forward and back,

Side R close L, side R (in a long, short long rhythm)

Mirror to the left, so rock forward L, rock back on the Right,

Side L close R side L (in a long, short long rhythm)

Part 2 unjoined

Turn R in 6 even steps, (what Brenda Kelly calls a bollard turn, as if there’s a bollard just behind you!) holding both hands out in front as if bearing a gift, walking tall as if you are in a procession.)

Walk into the centre with three even steps R, L, R raising both hands and arms up high

Sway L and R keeping arms high *

Walk back for 3 even steps L, R, L and R, (dum di dum)

The sequence is x 4, and on the 4th time, finishing after the sway L sway R with a little bend of the knees and a flourish, both hands, bend at the elbows when you bend your knees, then throw both arms up high and wide, on the “Amen!” If possible, hold that position until your leader lowers her arms.