## Hold On

For SATB

Words and Music by Rik Emmett

arr. Mishaal Surti









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Music and Lyrics by Rik Emmett | Arranged by Mishaal Surti for Music Monday 2025

## Lyrics:

Music holds the secret to know it can make you whole It's not just a game of notes, it's the sounds inside your soul The magic of the melody runs through you like a stream The notes that play flow through your head like a dream.

I sing this song for the common man, for the people in despair I bring my song into the world, and I'll sing it everywhere The simple truth lies waiting here for everyone to share So hold on, and I will take you there Hold on, and I will take you there.

The daily routine takes your soul, lost without a trace It holds you down and turns you round and puts you in your place

Another day, another dollar, another pretty face

Another chance to lose yourself in the endless race

Hold on, hold on to your dreams.

Hold on, even though it seems

Everyone around you has the clittle schemes

You listen to your heart and had on to your dreams.

Caught up in rowine you not to break it Time won't wait for us, we not to make it Fate git 2s you t' chance you got to take it.

Can you tend the ragic – feel it everywhere?

Yan't you hear the music – there's something in the air
in ere's a combration deep within this song

Cen brate the feeling – you know it can't be wrong

Hold on, hold on to your dreams.

Hold on, even though it seems

Everyone around you has their little schemes

You listen to your heart, and hold on to your dreams.



**Triumph** (a sumply disic.com) was a Canadian Hard Rock Band formed in 1975, known for their electrifying live performances and huge success in the 1980s. Hailing from Mississauga, Ontario, the band was made up of Rik Emmetry uitar, vocals), Mike Levine (bass, keyboards), and Gil Moore (drums, vocals). With 16 albums, 18 gold and 9 platinum awards, they became one of Canada's most celebrated rock acts. They were nominated for the Juno award "Group of the Year" multiple times in the 1980s and left a lasting impact on rock music with hits that still rock today! Triumph were inducted into the Canadian Music Industry Hall of Fame in 2007, into the Canadian Music Hall of Fame in 2008, and into Canada's Walk of Fame in 2019.

**Mishaal Surti** is a graduate of the University of Western Ontario and its Faculty of Education where he was awarded the Don Wright Scholarship in Vocal Music, and the University of Ontario Institute of Technology where he completed a Masters of Education in Educational Leadership and Learning Technology.

As an educator, choral conductor, singer, and performer based in Toronto, Ontario, Mishaal has conducted performances and facilitated workshops on music education and the male changing voice for Choral Canada/The Association of Canadian Choral Communities, the Ontario Music Educators' Association, the University of Western Ontario, the University of Toronto, the Educational Computing Organization of Ontario, and school boards across Ontario. Mishaal has also been published in the national and provincial journals of the Canadian Music Educators' Association and Ontario Music Educators' Association.



As a choral composer, Mishaal is published by Cypress Choral Music and Graphite Publishing and has had his compositions and arrangements performed throughout the world, including in Canada, Austria, Belgium, China, Germany, Hong Kong and the United States of America. Beginning as a choral singer with the Amabile Choirs of London, Ontario, Mishaal has performed throughout Canada, Austria, Czech Republic, Germany, and the United States of America, and continues to perform throughout Canada with local choral ensembles and as a freelance musician.

"Just sing your song!" - Ken Fleet