

WELCOME

For Flute, Clarinet, Violin, Cello, and Piano
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Performance Notes

m.s.p. – molto sul ponticello, very very close to the bridge. The result should be a very vibrant electric timbre

All grace notes are to be performed *before* the beat

Program Note

One of my fondest college memories was the experience of arriving at a dining hall right as it opened and sitting with my meal by the entrance, slowly watching it fill up with people. The fun in doing this was the slow evolution from one or two voices into a mass of conversational sound. Considering that every dining hall at my alma mater has been closed and out of operation for nearly a year from the time I write this, I am haunted by these memories. The ability to congregate with hundreds of other people has gone from commonplace and taken for granted to some unreachable ideal which the entire world is striving towards. With this in mind, I wrote this work as an abstract reflection of the experiences I had in college and the existential and dystopian state of the world which I found myself living in immediately after I left.

This work is dedicated to Jack Szulc-Donnell, who would always greet me with “welcome” every time I sat down to eat with him.

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for the Ónix Ensemble

Serene ♩ = 50

FLUTE

CLARINET IN Bb

VIOLIN

CELLO

PIANO

PNO

PNO

3

mp

p

mf

f

subito p

sfz

6

mp

f

FL 20 *poco accel.*

B♭ CL *sfz* *mp* *fp* *mf* *mp* *f* *f*

PNO 20 *p* *mf* *p* *mp* *f* *piu f*



FL 22 *mf* *mf* *poco* *f* *molto*

B♭ CL *mf* *3* *3*

PNO 22 *mp* *p* *5* *6* *6* *7* *7*

Red. sim. p cresc.

FL 24

B♭ CL

PNO

ff

fp *mf*

f



FL 25

B♭ CL

PNO

ff *mp*

ff *mp*

ff

♩ = c. 76 - 78

6 7 3

FL 26 *p* *mp* *p* *mp* *p* *p* *mp* *p* *mp*

B $\flat$ CL *p* *mp* *p* *mp* *p* *mp* *p* *mp*

VLN 26 *p* *poco* *n* *p*

VC *p* *poco* *n* *p*

PNO 26 *mp*

||| *poco accel.* ...

FL 28 *mp* *mf* *p*

B $\flat$ CL *p* *mp* *mf* *pp*

VLN 28 *mp* *detaché* *mp* *mf* *cresc.*

VC *mp* *detaché* *mp* *mf*

PNO 28 *mp*

29

FL

B♭ CL

VLN

VC

PNO

mp *mf* *mp* *mp* *f* *mp* *mp* *ff* *mp*

mf

cresc.

31

FL

B♭ CL

VLN

VC

PNO

f.t. *sfz* *f* *ff* *ff* *mf* *f* *mp*

tr *tr* *3* *5*

B **B**

Jubilant ♩ = 90

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[illegible][illegible]

Bursting at the Seams ♩ = 100

FL *fp* *ff* *sfz* *n*

B♭ CL *fp* *ff* *sfz* *n*

VLN *fp* *ff* *sfz* *n*

VC *ff* *sfz* *n*

PNO *fff* *f*

Bursting at the Seams ♩ = 100

Rehearsal mark: C

Air sounds

Muffled with four spread fingers.
Pitchless white sound is desired,
but if some pitch comes through
during sforzandi, do not fight it

Muffled with four spread fingers;
Pitchless white sound is desired,
but if some pitch comes through
during sforzandi, do not fight it too hard.

42 ♩ = 40

FL jet whistle (bright)

B♭ CL *p* *sfz* *n*

VLN *sfz* *n*

VC *sfz* *n*

PNO *p* *mp* *p*

8

* *Reo.* *ped. sempre*

tongue pizz. (unpitched)

bounce

3

3

3

3



45

FL

B♭ CL *n* *sfz*

VLN III.

VC *sfz* over bridge *n*

PNO *mp* *pp* *mp*

pp

as though emerging from the fading sound of the piano

48

FL

B $\flat$ CL

VLN

VC

n

sfz

mf

6

III. *over bridge* → *sul pont.* → *over bridge*

pp

p

n

sfz

Muffled; Over Bridge

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espress. *sfz*

→ m.s.p. → *over bridge*

p *pp*



51

B $\flat$ CL

VLN

VC

n

n *ppp*

51 (♩)

(♩)

(♩)

p

→ m.s.p. → *over bridge*

p *pp*

D

B♭ CL

mp *mp* *n* *mp* *ppp*

VLN

pppp *pp* *mp*

VC

D

PNO

p sempre

8va

8va

Leg. sempre

Over Bridge (hushed fuzzy sound); Finger the artificial harmonic that follows this measure, and slowly move from pitchless fuzz to letting the harmonic sound (molto sul pont.)



58

B♭ CL

aeol.

fp *fp* *fp* *fp* *f*

58

VLN

mp *fp* *fp* *fp* *fp*

VC

(non-rolled)

[illegible]

[illegible]

80

FL

B♭ CL

mp *sfz* *mf* *subito p* *f*

80

VLN

mf *f* *mf*

VC

f *sfz*

80

PNO

82

FL

B♭ CL

ff *f*

82

VLN

poco a poco cresc.

VC

poco a poco cresc.

82

PNO

87 $\text{♩} = 130+$

FL *mf* 3 3 3 3

B♭ CL *mf* 7

VLN

VC *fp* *ff*

PNO *f* *ff* 6 6 6 6

89

FL *f* 6 6 3 *sfz* *mp*

B♭ CL *f* 6 6 *sfz* *mp*

VLN *f* 6 6 *mp* off the string

VC *sfz* *mp*

PNO *sfz* *mp* 6 6

poco a poco cresc.

91

FL

B♭ CL

VLN

VC

PNO

mf

mp

mp

piu f

f

6

93

FL

B♭ CL

VLN

VC

PNO

mf

mf

piu f

f

piu f

6

7

7

Detailed description: This page contains two systems of musical notation for measures 91-93. The first system (measures 91-92) features five staves: FL (Flute), B♭ CL (B-flat Clarinet), VLN (Violin), VC (Viola), and PNO (Piano). In measure 91, the B♭ CL and VLN play a melodic line with a *mf* dynamic, while the PNO provides a harmonic accompaniment with a *6* fingering. In measure 92, the FL enters with a *mp* dynamic, and the B♭ CL and VLN continue their melodic line. The second system (measures 93-94) features the same five staves. In measure 93, the FL plays a *mf* dynamic, and the B♭ CL and VLN continue their melodic line. In measure 94, the FL and B♭ CL play a melodic line with a *mf* dynamic, while the VLN and VC play a melodic line with a *piu f* dynamic. The PNO provides a harmonic accompaniment with a *6* fingering. The page is divided into two systems by a dashed line.

95

FL

B $\flat$ CL

VLN

VC

PNO

mp

f

f

piu f

piu f

7

7

7

7

97

FL

B $\flat$ CL

VLN

VC

PNO

mf

f

ff

piu f

piu f

piu f

7

7

7

7

FL **G** *ff*

B♭ CL *ff*

VLN *piu f* *ff*

VC **G**

PNO

FL 101 *fp* *fp* *fp*

B♭ CL 3 *fp* *fp* *fp*

VLN 101 *fp* *sfz* *fp* *fp*

VC *fp* *fp*

PNO 101 *fff*

-- *fff*

Frantic ♩ = 100

FL

B♭ CL

VLN

VC

PNO

ff

mf

f

fp

follow contour of lines across approximate pitches continuously tremolo as quickly as possible

Frantic ♩ = 100

104

106

♩ = 84 m.s.p.

f

pp

poco

rit.

3

bow with slightly more vigor and allow a slight amount of pitch (A) to escape

muffled with four spread fingers; pitchless white sound



Musical score for measures 112-115, featuring B♭ Clarinet (B♭ CL), Violin (VLN), Viola (VC), and Piano (PNO). The tempo is marked as ♩ = 84.

Measure 112: B♭ CL plays a half note G4 (p). VLN and VC play a half note G4 (p). PNO plays a half note G4 (poco).

Measure 113: B♭ CL plays a half note F#4 (p). VLN and VC play a half note F#4 (p). PNO plays a half note F#4 (poco).

Measure 114: B♭ CL plays a half note F4 (p). VLN and VC play a half note F4 (p). PNO plays a half note F4 (poco).

Measure 115: B♭ CL plays a half note E4 (p). VLN and VC play a half note E4 (p). PNO plays a half note E4 (poco).

Dynamics and performance markings include *p*, *sfz*, *poco a poco cresc.*, *accel.*, and *f*. A first ending bracket is present in measure 115.

117

B $\flat$ CL *mp* *f* *p* *sfz* *sfz* *p* *f* *p*

VLN

VC

PNO *ff* *mf* *f*

8va loco

120

FL

B $\flat$ CL *fp* *fp* *f* *mp* *mp* *f* *mp*

VLN *mf*

VC *mf*

PNO *mp* *f* *p* *mp* *f* *sfz* *p* *f*

5 3 3

7

FL 123 *f* *mp* *mf* *mp* *mf*

B♭ CL *f* *mp* *p* *mp* *p* *mp*

VLN 123 *f*

VC *f*

PNO 123 *mp* *f* *mp* *poco a poco cresc.*

FL 126 *mp* *fp* *mf* *p*

B♭ CL 126 *mp* *fp* *mf* *p*

VLN 126

VC 126

PNO 126 *3* *5*

128

FL

B♭ CL

VLN

VC

PNO

f *3* *mp* *p* *f* *p*

130

FL

B♭ CL

VLN

VC

PNO

f *f* *mp* *mp* *fp* *mp* *fp* *ff* *mf* *poco a poco cresc.* *mf* *poco a poco cresc.* *ff* *ff* *mf* *poco a poco cresc.*

136

FL

B $\flat$ CL

VLN

VC

PNO

137

FL

B $\flat$ CL

VLN

VC

PNO

139

FL

B $\flat$ CL

VLN

VC

PNO

accel.

K

f

fp

sfz

fp

fp

8va

8va

accel.

K

142

FL

B $\flat$ CL

VLN

VC

PNO

f.t.

molto rit.

molto rit.

p

mf

n

8va

Rea

Serene ♩ = 60

144

FL

B♭ CL

VLN

VC

144 (♩)

mf *n*

Serene ♩ = 60

(8^{va})

144

PNO

6

3

3

loco

* *ped. sempre*

Cadenza

147

PNO

8^{va}

mp 3 3 *poco*

loco

8^{va}

150

PNO

8^{va}

ppp

pp

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