

CREPUSCULAR HOUR

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-a work for three choirs, 6 noise musicians and church organ,
First performed at the Ultima festival in Uranienborg Kirke 18.09.2010.

Duration: approx 1 hour



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Inspiration

Crepuscular rays:



Crepuscular is also a term used to describe some animals that are primarily active during twilight.

<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Crepuscular>

Notes

Crepuscular Hour is written to be performed in a cathedral or similar with musicians surrounding the audience. Inspired by the phenomena 'crepuscular rays', pillars of sound and light are essential in the piece.

Textual inspiration from the 2000 years old texts found in The Nag Hammadi Library.

Score symbols:

K1= Choir 1 – front left

K2= Choir 2 – front right

K3= Choir 3 – behind audience, on floor or platform

At least 24 singers in K3, at least 16 in K1 and K2.

S1= Noise duo 1 – front left

S2= Noise duo 2 – front right

S3= Noise duo 3 – behind audience, on gallery, preferably on each side of organist.

The noise musicians should use guitar or bass amplifiers as monitors. Duos S1 and S2 must have one performer each that can make a sustained tone on a guitar or similar.

Church organ is behind the audience in this piece. Can be reconsidered for future performances. The conductor is placed in the middle of the church. A video camera, mirror or similar must be installed in order to help the organist see the conductor.

Everything must be amplified, including the organ. Use at least three stereo speaker pairs (high quality concert PA, including subs): One shared by K1 and S1 (front left), one by K2 and S1 (front right) and one for K3, S3 and organ (behind the audience). Additional speakers and monitors may be used. The choirs should be amplified with 6-10 condenser microphones for each choir. The amplified sound should come from the same position as where the performers are placed. The idea is to surround the audience with sound, and the music from behind should not be mixed with the music in front.

The noise duos in front (S1 and S1) should be placed behind and/or to the side of the choirs so that their hearing is not too much disturbed by the local amplifiers. They should be standing on platforms so they are clearly visible to the audience.

Light positions mainly on floor, pointing upwards on performers to create shadow effects. The musicians on platforms (S1 and S2) should be lit in order to create shadow effects. The physical environment should be used to set the light design inspired by the phenomena 'crepuscular rays'. Harmless 'smoke' should be used in order to create light pillars.

CUE LIST S1

Bold cue letters are ones that you have to pay attention to. The conductor will give all the cues.

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All durations are approximate.

A choir K1

duration: 6s.

B Guitar: pick up and overlap high A from sopranos, fade in. Both join when choir ends. Improvise: *calm and powerful, hectic background, establish mood*

duration: 3min.

C choir K1 enters again

Start to fade out as choir enters and end together with choir. Pause.

duration: 19s.



CUE LIST S1

D

Enter together with choir K2.

Improvise: *playful, noisy, up and down in register*

duration 4min.

E

+ choir K1

Continue.

duration: 2min.50s.

F

choir K1 + K2

Continue.

duration: 2min.30s.

G

exit choir K1

Continue. Joined by S2. Noise take over! Abrupt ending. Silence.

duration 4min.

TOTAL DURATION D-G:

13min.30s.

H

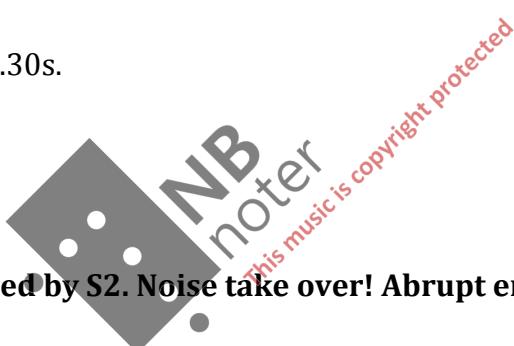
choir K3, noise S3 (**NO PLAYING**)

duration: 6min.

I

all choirs, noise S3

duration: 12min.40s.



CUE LIST S1

J

Enter together with S2.

**Guitar: fade in on low F#. Improvise with sound colour. Not too loud.
Noise partner may join with background noises.**

duration 4min.

K

solo parts in choir K2

Continue, but very quiet. Sustained. Guitar only.

duration: 1min.

L

+ solo parts in choir K1, then joined by all singers in K1 and K2.

Continue as in K.

duration: 4min.

M

church organ, and all other musicians join in

Both musicians play. Louder.

duration 2min.

N

all musicians

More and more intense.

duration 12min.

O

Choir K2 and noise S2 (NO PLAYING)

duration: 1min.

-THE END-

CUE LIST S2

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A choir K1

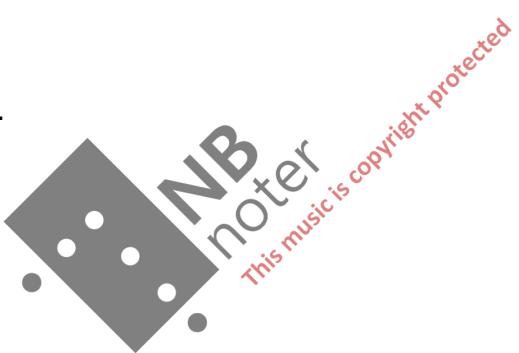
duration: 16s.

B noise S1

duration: 3min.

C + choir K1

duration: 19s.



D choir K2 and noise S1

duration 4min.

E + choir K1

duration: 2min.50s.

F choir K1 + K2

duration: 2min.30s.

CUE LIST S2

G

exit choir K1

Enter loud and clear. Noise take over! Abrupt ending. Silence.

duration 4min.

H

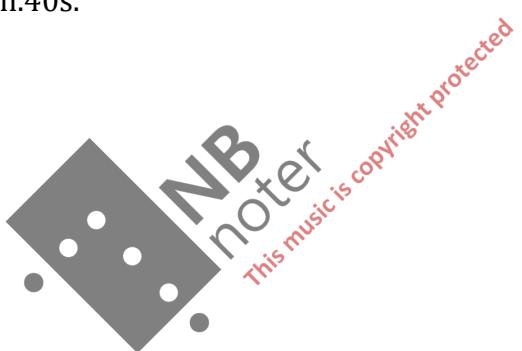
choir K3, noise S3 (**NO PLAYING**)

duration: 6min.

I

all choirs, noise S3

duration: 12min.40s.



CUE LIST S2

J

Enter together with S1.

Guitar: fade in on low F#. Improvise with sound colour. Not too loud.
Noise partner may join with background noises.

duration 4min.

K

solo parts in choir K2

Continue, but very quiet. Sustained. Guitar only.

duration: 1min.

L

+ solo parts in choir K1, then joined by all singers in K1 and K2.

Continue as in K.

duration: 4min.

M

church organ, and all other musicians join in

Both musicians play. Gradually louder.

duration 2min.

N

all musicians

More and more intense.

duration 12min.

O

Coda. Only S2 fade out with choir K2. Return to F#. Quiet.

duration: 1min.

CUE LIST S3

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A, B, C, D, E, F, G choirs K1 and K2, noise S1 and S2 (**NO PLAYING**)

TOTAL DURATION **A-G:** 17min.20s.

H Enter some time after choir K3.

Calm, low frequent improvisation.

duration 6min.



I all choirs

Continue. Gradually louder.

duration: 12min.40s.

J + noise S1 and S2 (drone on F#).

Continue. End together with the choirs.

duration 4min.

TOTAL DURATION **H-J:** 22min.40s.

CUE LIST S3

K choir K2 (**NO PLAYING**)

duration: 1min.

L + choir K1

duration: 4min.

M Enter together with church organ and choir K3. Bass sounds. Loud.

duration 2min.

N all musicians

More and more intense, using the whole register.

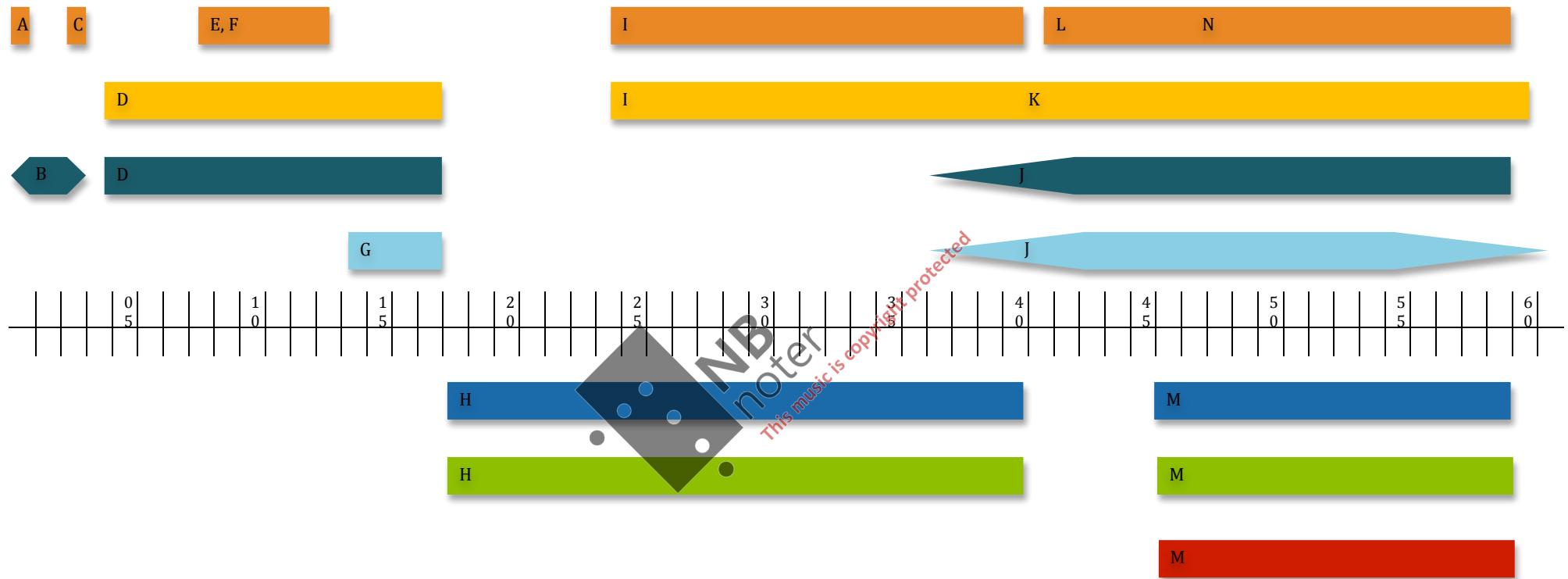
duration 12min.

O Choir K2 and noise S2 (**NO PLAYING**)

duration: 1min.

-THE END-

Timeline, Crepuscular Hour. Colour codes: K1 K2 K3 S1 S2 S3 Church organ



K1

Drop of Light 1

A

$\text{♩} = 100$

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[CUE IN S1, overlap]

SOPRANO

ALTO

TENOR

BASS

drop of light

of light

drop

A

ff

gliss.

p

ff

gliss.

pp

ff

pp

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B

S1 enters and overlaps on high A. S1 plays a 3 minute long improvisation which starts to fade out at letter C.

²
K1

Drop of Light 2

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C

$\text{♩} = 60$

SOPRANO: *f* — *gliss.* — *mp* — *drop*

ALTO: — *mp* — *f* — *drop*

TENOR: *f* — *drop*

BASS: *f* — *gliss.*

A



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CUE OUT S1, fade out together with chorus

5

S.: — *ppp*

A.: — *ppp*

T.: *mp* — *ppp*

B.: *drop* — *of* — *light* — *ppp*



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D

The repeated phrases are of different lengths but correspond to the same tempo being conducted.

Make variations using different number of singers (solos and duos are welcome), make individual phrasing and vary sound colour, such as vibrato, for each phrase. Avoid being too theatrical.

 $\text{♩} = 60$

[CUE IN S1]

BASS

How well it suits all men, how well,



6

B.

how well it suits all men

to be repeated til start of letter H



11

T.

How well it suits all men, how well, how well it suits all

on the sub-ject of cha - os

to be repeated til start of letter H



19

(continue...)

T.

on the sub-ject of cha - os

men

How well

it suits all men, how well



25

T.

well, how well, it suits all men

on the sub-ject of cha - os

to be repeated til start of letter H

31

A.

on the sub-ject of cha - os

How well it suits all men, how well, how well it suits all men



(continue...)

40

A.

T.

B.

How well it suits all men, how well, how well it suits all men

*to be repeated til start of letter H*

49

S.

dark - ness - a kind of dark,

say say

on the sub-ject of cha - os

men How well it suits all men, how well, how well

56

S. *dark* - *ness* *gloss* - *a kind of* *dark,*

A. *kind of* *say* *(t)* *on the sub-ject of cha os*

T. *it suits all men* *How well* *it suits all*

B. *how well* *it suits all men* *How well* *it suits all*

Poco a poco decrescendo al mp at letter G

Conductor starts conducting from letter E after 4 minutes.

S1 and K2 continue till letter H.



⁶
K1

Axis of Evil 1

Sing this section without vibrato, flat voices, rough, uproariously.
German pronunciation, with rolling r and flat vowels.

E

K2 and S1 continue

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Soprano 1

Soprano 2

Soprano 3

ALTO

TENOR

Bass 1

iteration using chest sound
(epiglottal)

gliss.

(bō)

gliss.

ü

Ya

Y-a-i-a-i-ya-i-a-i-a i-ya-i-a-i - a Y-a-i-a-i-ya-i-a-i-ya-i-a i-ya-i-a-i - a Y-a-i-a-i-ya-i-a-i

Y-a-i-a-i-a-i-a-i-a-i-a-i - a Y-a-i-a-i-a-i-a-i-a-i-a-i - a Y-a-i-a-i-a-i-

e e e

gliss.

(#o)

gliss.

Ya

5

S.1 ya-i-a-i-ya-i-a-i-a

S.2 a-i-a-i-a-i-a

S.3 a

A. a

T. gliss. a ü gliss. ü gliss.

B.1 a gliss. (a) gliss. #o gliss. a

B.2 - f #o a Ya

B.3 f #o Ya a a

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A. a

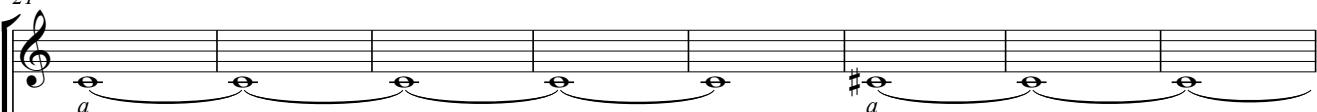
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B.1 a a

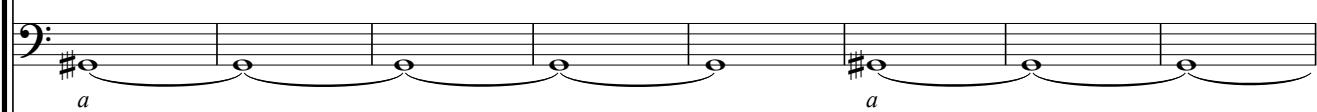
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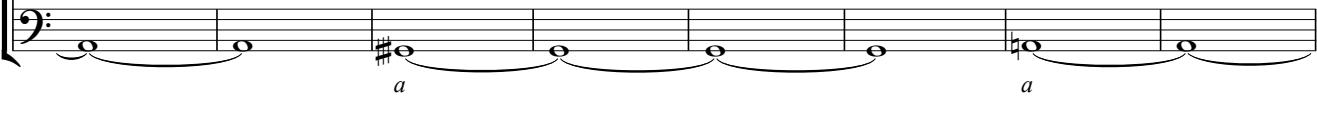
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A. 

T. 

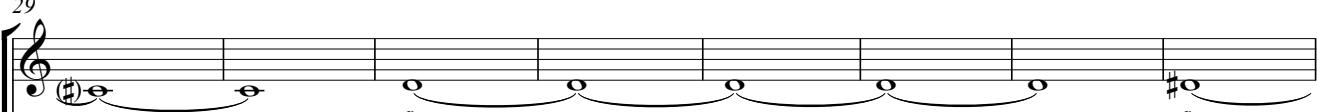
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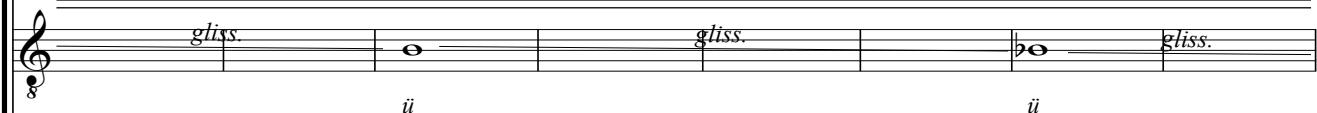
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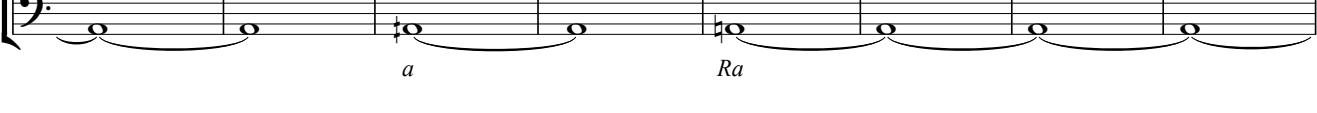
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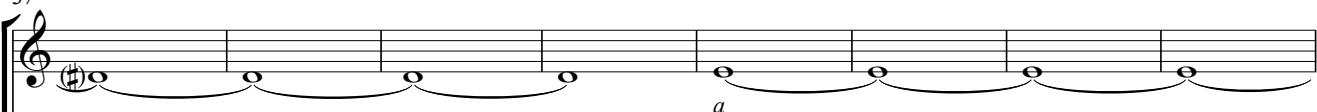
T. 

B.1 

B.2 

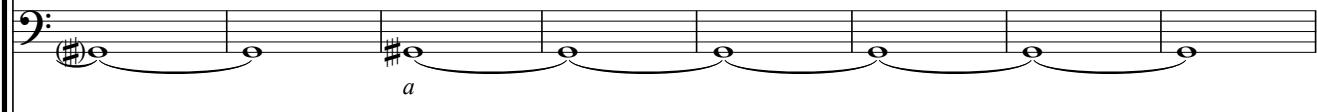
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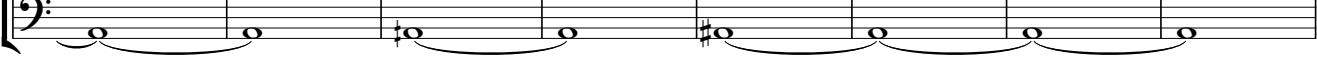
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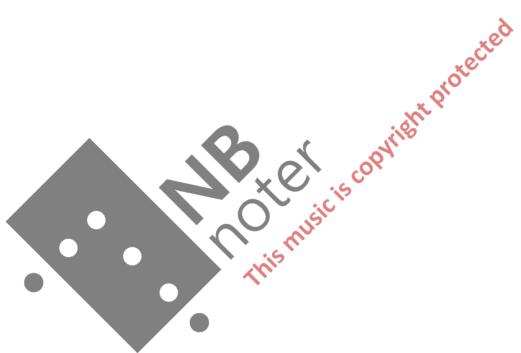
A. 

T. 

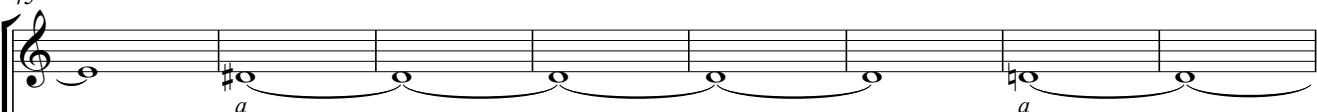
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B.2 

B.3 

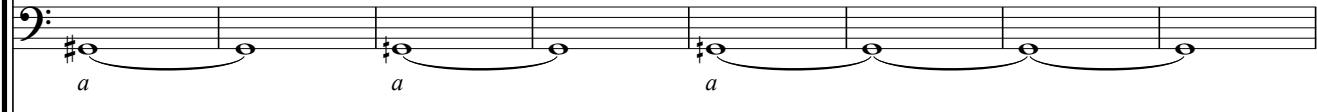


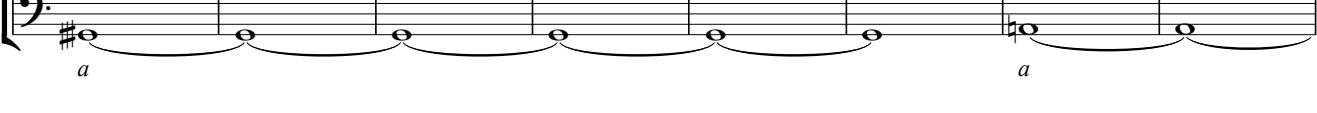
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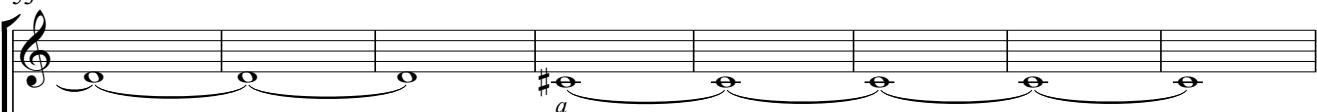
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B.1 

B.2 

B.3 

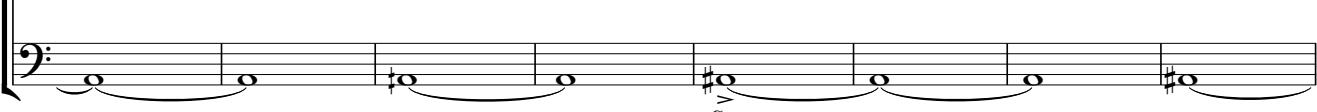
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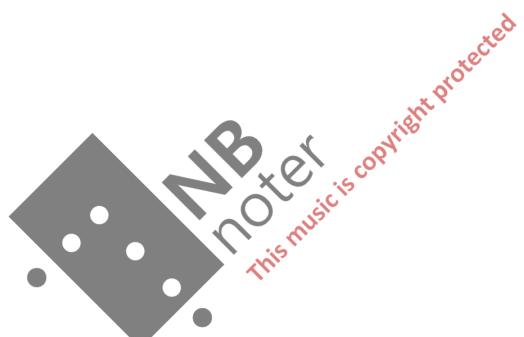
A. 

T. 

B.1 

B.2 

B.3 



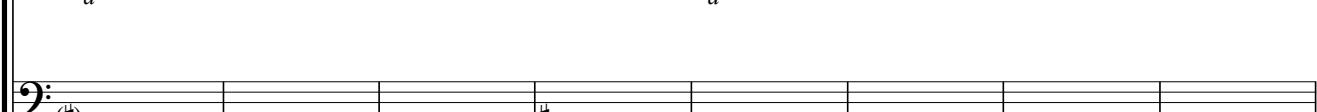
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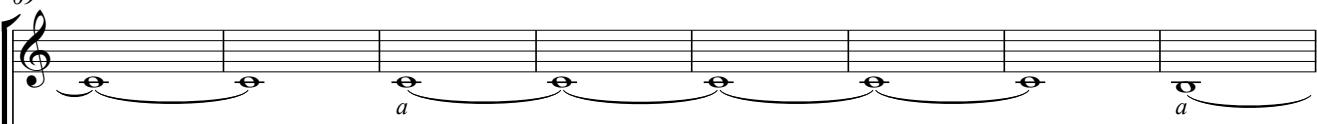
T. 

B.1 

B.2 

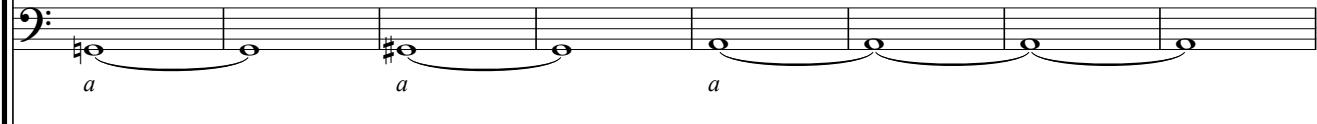
B.3 

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A. 

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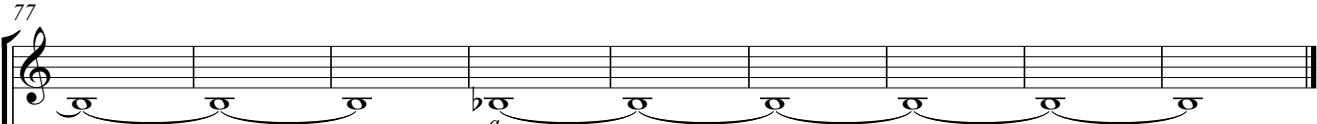
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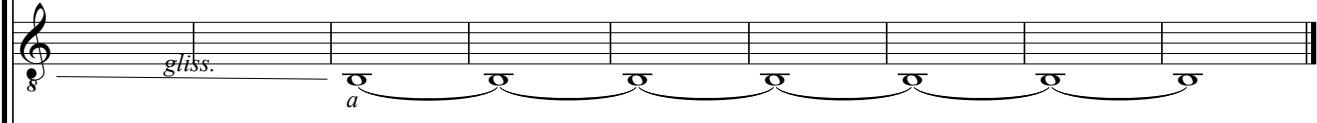
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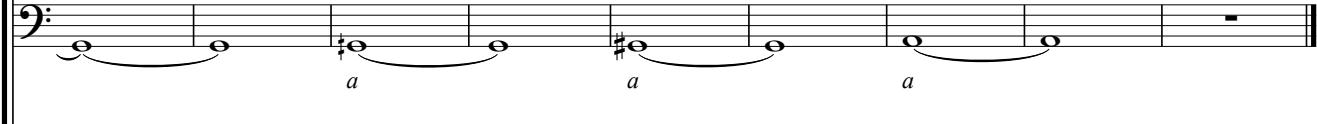
B.3 



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A. 

T. 

B.1 

B.2 

B.3 

12
K1

Axis of Evil 2

Same expression and pronunciation as in "Axis of Evil 1".

F

Attacca,
K2 and S1 continue

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$\text{J} = 60$

Tenor 1

Tenor 2

Tenor 3

Bass 1

Bass 2

Bass 3



T.1

T.2

T.3

B.1

B.2

B.3

9 *fff* 5 5 *pp* 5 *gliss.* 5 5 *fff* 5

S.1 Ne Ne Ne Ne...

S.2 *fff* *pp* *gliss.* *fff*

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S.2 Ne Ne Ne Ne...

S.3 *fff* 5 5 *pp* 5 5 *gliss.* 5 5 *fff* 5

A.1 Ne Ne Ne Ne...

A.2 *fff* 5 5 *pp* *gliss.* *fff* 5

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A.2 Ne Ne Ne Ne...

A.3 *fff* *pp* *fff*

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A.3 Ne Ne Ne Ne...

T.1 *f* *ff* 3

T.2 *f* *ff*

T.3 *f* 3

B.1 *f*

B.2

B.3 *f*

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S.1

S.2

S.3

A.1

A.2

A.3

T.1

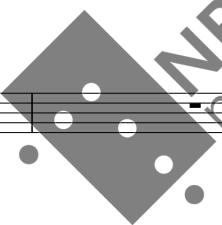
T.2

T.3

B.1

B.2

B.3



p

p

p

p

p

p

p

mf

M

mf

M

mf

M

mf

M

3

M

3

M

M

M

21

S.1 *f as fast as possible*
unvoiced

S.2 *mf as fast as possible*

N,N,N,N...

S.3 *mf*

Mi Mi Mi Mi...

A.1 *mp*

I

A.2 *mp*

E

A.3 *mf as fast as possible*

D,D,D,D...

T.1 *mf*

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T.2 *mf*

T.3 *mf*

B.1 *mf*

M

B.2 *mf*

M

B.3 *mf*

M

25

S.1

S.2

S.3

A.1 *f unvoiced*
K,K,K,K... *unvoiced* S

A.2 *f unvoiced*
P,P,P,P... *unvoiced* S

A.3

T.1

T.2 *f* E

T.3

B.1 *3*

B.2 *3*

B.3

33

S.1 *I* *K,K,K,K...*

S.2 *I*

S.3 *I*

A.1 *I* *K,K,K,K...*

A.2 *I*

A.3 *I* *unvoiced* *P,P,P,P...*

T.1 *ff* *3*

T.2 *3* *3*

T.3 *ff*

B.1 *ff* *draw new breath individually*

B.2 *ff* *E*

B.3 *ff*

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S.1 *S* *K,K,K,K...*

S.2 *trem.* *I* *Ni Ni Ni Ni...*

S.3 *Mi Mi Mi Mi Mi...* *as fast as possible* *Mi,Mi,Mi,Mi...*

A.1 *S* *K,K,K,K...*

A.2 *unvoiced* *P,P,P,P...* *Dji Dji D,D,D,D...* *as fast as possible*

A.3 *unvoiced* *S* *P,P,P,P...*

T.1 *8*

T.2 *8*

T.3 *8*

B.1 *draw new breath individually*

B.2 *3*

B.3 *draw new breath individually*

42

S.1 *S* Si Si Si Si...

S.2

S.3

A.1 *I* K,K,K,K...

A.2

A.3 *I* P,P,P,P...

T.1 *f*

T.2 *o*

T.3

B.1

B.2 3

B.3

This image shows a page of musical notation for a multi-instrument ensemble. The page is numbered 21 at the top right. The music is in common time (indicated by '42'). There are ten staves labeled S.1 through B.3. Staves S.1, S.2, S.3, A.1, A.2, and A.3 are in treble clef, while T.1, T.2, T.3, B.1, B.2, and B.3 are in bass clef. The first six staves (S.1 to A.3) have a key signature of one sharp (F#). The last four staves (T.1 to B.3) have a key signature of one flat (B-flat). Various musical markings are present: slurs, grace notes, fermatas, and dynamic markings like 'f' (fortissimo) and 'o' (forte). Some staves contain lyrics such as 'Si Si Si Si...', 'K,K,K,K...', and 'P,P,P,P...'. The staff for T.1 features a large gray diamond-shaped graphic with three white dots inside, positioned over the first measure. The staff for T.2 features a bracket above the notes labeled '3'. The staff for B.2 features a bracket above the notes labeled '3'. The staff for B.3 features a bracket above the notes labeled '3'.

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S.1

S.2

S.3

A.1

A.2

A.3

T.1

draw new breath individually

T.2

T.3

B.1

B.2

B.3

s

Ni Ni Ni Ni

Mi Mi Mi Mi Mi

s

Ji Ji Ji Ji Ji

s

f

O

f

3

- - - - -

- - - - -

- - - - -

- - - - -

- - - - -

- - - - -

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S.1 | *K,K,K,K...* | *S*

S.2 | *Ni Ni Ni Ni* | *Ni,Ni,Ni,Ni...* *as fast as possible*

S.3 | *Mi Mi Mi Mi Mi* | *Mi,Mi,Mi,Mi...* *as fast as possible*

A.1 | *K,K,K,K...* | *S*

A.2 | *Ji Ji Ji Ji Ji* | *D,D,D,D...*

A.3 | *P,P,P,P...*

T.1 | *ff* *3*

T.2 | *ff* *draw new breath individually* *ff*

T.3 | *ff*

B.1 | *f* *ff* *O*

B.2 | *ff*

B.3 | *f* *O*

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S.1

S.2

Mi Mi, Mi, Mi, Mi, Mi...

S.3

Ni Ni, Ni, Ni, Ni, Ni...

A.1

Li S

A.2

D,D,D,D.....

A.3

P,P,P,P...

T.1

gliss.

T.2

A

T.3

B.1

B.2

O

B.3

ff

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S.1 *trem.* I S

S.2 *trem.* I Mi Mi

S.3 *trem.* I Ni Ni

A.1 *trem.* I Li Li

A.2 *trem.* Ji Ji

A.3 P,P,P,P... *NB* Noter *s*
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T.1 -

T.2 -

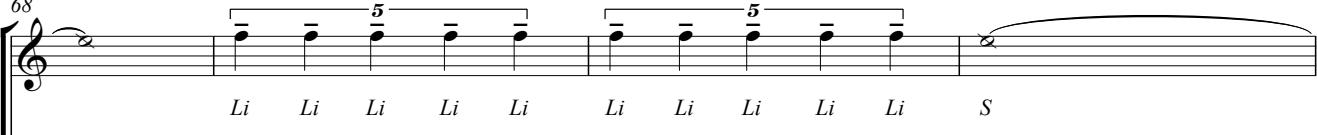
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B.1 -

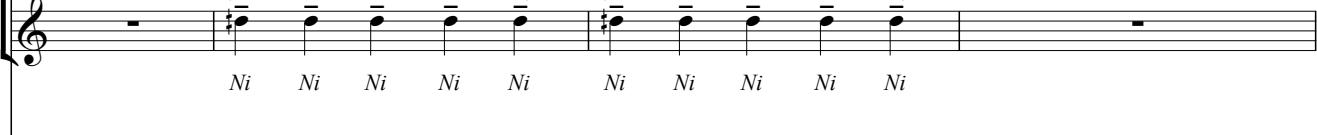
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B.3 - A

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S.1 

S.2 

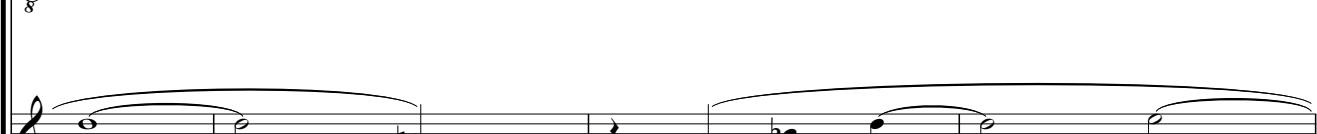
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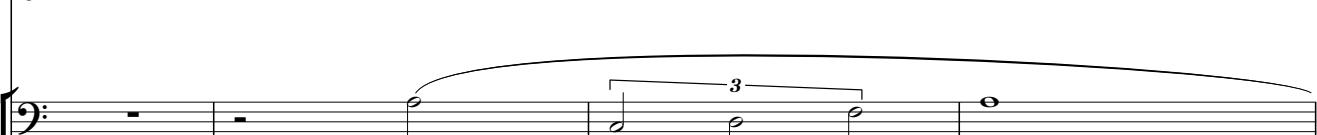
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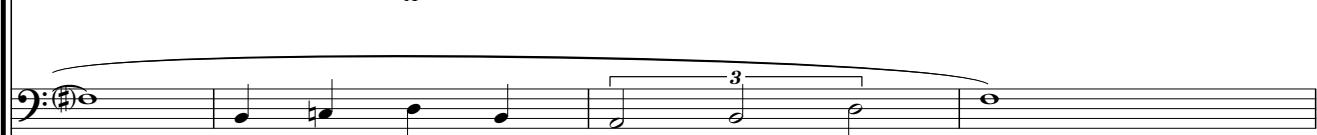
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A.3 

T.1 

T.2 

T.3 

B.1 

B.2 

B.3 

G

CUE IN S2
K2 and S1 continue

27

72 *as fast as possible*

S.1 *Li,Li,Li,Li...*
trem.

S.2 *I*

S.3 *trem.*

A.1 *S*

A.2 *D,D,D,D.....*

A.3

T.3

B.1

B.2 *A*

B.3

CUE IN S2
K2 and S1 continue

K2, S1 and S2 continue 4 more minutes, till tutti general pause at letter H.

28 K3

H

Luminous Clouds

Alto, Tenor and Bass divided in six parts, Soprano in two.
 Singers may also sing to fill in where there are dashed lines in the lyrics.

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S3 ENTERS GRADUALLY AFTER SOME TIME

mp

Alto 1
Alto 2
Alto 3
Alto 4
Alto 5
Alto 6

≡

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A. 1
A. 2
A. 3
A. 4
A. 5
A. 6

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17

A. 1
A. 2
A. 3
A. 4
A. 5
A. 6

25

A. 1 *f (unvoiced)* *mp*

A. 2 *mp*
lu

A. 3

A. 4 *f (unvoiced)* *mp*
lu

A. 5 *mp*
ou

A. 6 *f* *mp*
s *u*

29

=

A. 1 *mi*

A. 2 *f* *mp*
s *lu*

A. 3 *nou* *s* *n*

A. 4 *mi* *nou*

A. 5 *f* *mp*
s

A. 6 *with* *a* *i* *u*

=

A. 1 *nou* *s* *lu* *u* *m*

A. 2 *u* *mi* *nou*

A. 3 *mi*

A. 4 *f* *mp*
s *a*

A. 5 *u* *i* *i*

A. 6 *f* *mp*
s *i*

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30 49

A. 1

A. 2 *f* *mp* *s* *lu* *u*

A. 3 *nou* *f* *s* *mp* *mi*

A. 4 *a* *a* *nd*

A. 5 *i* *i* *i*

A. 6 *s* *f* *mp* *u* *i*

=

57

A. 1 *i*

A. 2 *mi*

A. 3 *nous* *and*

A. 4 *she* *sur*

A. 5 *i* *i*

A. 6 *nous* *i*

T. 1 *mp* *and* *she* *s* *f* (unvoiced)

T. 2 *mp* *and* *she*

T. 3 *mp* *and*

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65

A. 1 A. 2 A. 3 A. 4 A. 5 A. 6

T. 1 T. 2 T. 3

mp f (unvoiced) mp f (unvoiced) mp

she su round i su e

su u

s su

she s f (unvoiced) su

mp

she s su

73

A. 1 A. 2 A. 3 A. 4 A. 5 A. 6

T. 1 T. 2 T. 3 T. 4

f rolled r (alveolar trill) mp ed f rolled r (alveolar trill) mp

i r ou it

s rr u rr

u rr

i i

f (unvoiced) mp f rolled r (alveolar trill)

s su u r

rr

su urr

u

32 80

A. 1 *mp*
lu *u*

A. 2 *i*

A. 3 *n* *ded*

A. 4 *with* *a*

A. 5 *ou* *nd* *u*

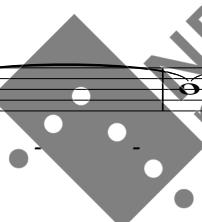
A. 6 *i*

T. 1 *r* *ou* *ou* *(unvoiced)*

T. 2 *s* *sur*

T. 3 *ound* *f (unvoiced)*

T. 4 *rr* *ou* *rolled r (alveolar trill) mp* *s*



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A. 1

A. 2 *f* *mp*

A. 3 *it* *with* *a*

A. 4 *lu* *s*

A. 5 *ed* *u* *with* *s*

A. 6 *i* *f* *mp*

T. 1 *ound*

T. 2 *round* *ou*

T. 3 *sur* *rou* *ou*

T. 4 *ound*

K1 & K2

S. *mp* *overlap breathing*

A. *mp* *overlap breathing*

T. *mp* *overlap breathing*

B. *mp* *overlap breathing*

and *be*

and *be*

an *dro*

be

96

A. 1 *f*

T. 1 *mp* *e* *i* *p* *mp*

T. 2 *ded* *let* *p* *f* *dr*

T. 3 *she* *s* *su* *as fast as possible unvoiced*

T. 4 *mp* *f (unvoiced)* *sh* *ff* *she* *le* *t,t,t,t...*

T. 5 *f (unvoiced)* *sh* *ee* *p* *mp* *su*

T. 6 *f (unvoiced)* *s* *pp* *l* *mp* *i*

B. 1 *a*

B. 2 *a*

B. 3 *li* *mp*

B. 4 *mp* *a*

S. *hold* *and*

Alto solo
droplet of light

A. *hold* *light*

T. *gyn* *light*

B. *hold* *blue*

T. 1 *with*

T. 2 *as fast as possible*
ff unvoiced mp
op le see t,t,t,...

T. 3 *u*

T. 4 *mp fa a*

T. 5 *a*

T. 6 *su i su*

B. 1 *drop let*

B. 2 *a drop*

B. 3 *i*

B. 4 *drop le*

B. 5 *mp a drop*

B. 6 *i*

S. *be ho old*

A. *came and*

T. *it flowed*

B. *light*

T. 1 *a lu m mi*

T. 2 *a dro p,p,p,p le et*
ff as fast as possible unvoiced mp

T. 3 *u rr s*
f rolled r (alveolar trill)

T. 4 *a*

T. 5 *a et a*

T. 6 *rr ound ed sh*
f rolled r (alveolar trill) mp f

B. 1 *t,t,t,t... o of light*
ff as fast as possible unvoiced mp

B. 2 *let s see*
f (unvoiced) mp

B. 3 *i ight*

B. 4 *e*

B. 5 *let of*

B. 6 *i ight*

S. *it flowed on*

A. *passed through*

T. *on to*

B. *came*

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T. 1 (unvoiced) **f** *as fast as possible unvoiced ff mp*
i nou s c,c,c,c... clo

T. 2 *of light*

T. 3 *see ee*

T. 4 *a*

T. 5 *ee*

T. 6 *ee* *as fast as possible unvoiced ff c,c,c,c...*

B. 1 *s see*

B. 2 *ee s see*

B. 3 *fa*

B. 4 *e*

B. 5 *e e*

B. 6 *a*

S. *to the wa ter*

A. *all hea - vens*

T. *the*

B. *out of the eighth hea - ven*

38 129

T. 1 *oud* *see* *s*

T. 2 *f* *ee*

T. 3 *dro* *op*

T. 4 *dro* *op*

T. 5 *o*

T. 6 *clou* *oud* *ee*

B. 1 *ee* *s* *let*

B. 2 *ee* *let* *fall*

B. 3 *a* *ll* *drop*

B. 4 *dr* *as fast as possible unvoiced* *ff* *rolled r (alveolar trill)* *mp* *o* *f (unvoiced)* *mp* *o*

B. 5 *t,t,t,...* *see* *s* *an*

B. 6 *let*

S.

A.

repeat 'water' individually, variable lengths

T. *water* *be*

B.

137

T. 1 *ee* *mp* *f* 39

T. 2 *ee* *f* *mp*

T. 3 *a*

T. 4 *le*

T. 5 *op*

T. 6 *s* *f* *a* *mp*

B. 1 *fall* *ll*

B. 2 *a*

B. 3 *le* *let*

B. 4 *o* *o*

B. 5 *o*

B. 6 *a* *ll*

S. *a* *hu* *man*

A. *dro* *gyn*

T. *hold*

B. *a* *bove*

40 145

T. 1 *ee*

T. 2 *ee*

T. 3 *a*

T. 4 *ff*
t,t,t,t...

T. 5 *ee*

T. 6 *f*
e *r*

B. 1 *a* *a*

B. 2 *a* *drop*

B. 3 *a*

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B. 4 *op* *l*

B. 5 *op*

B. 6 *a*

S.

A. *ous*

T. *light*

B. *gliss.* *and*

T. 1

T. 2 *p* *ee* *mp* *light*

T. 3 *su*

T. 4 *p* *mp* *a* *l*

T. 5 *ee* *light*

T. 6 *mp* *p* *mp* *a* *u* *a*

B. 1 *a*

B. 2 *le*

B. 3 *f rolled r (alveolar trill)* *dr* *lu*

B. 4 *l*

B. 5 *l*

B. 6 *f rolled r (alveolar trill)* *dr*

S. *start individually,
one by one*
drop - let of light

A. *start individually,
one by one*
drop - let of light

T.

B. *passed* *through* *all*

42 160

T. 1

T. 2

T. 3 *f*

T. 4

T. 5 *lu* *u* *m*

T. 6

B. 1 *drop*

B. 2 *et* *a*

B. 3 *li* *i*

B. 4 *l* *let*

B. 5

B. 6 *e*

S.

A. *it*

T. *came*

B. *the*

I 2

45

rolled r (alveolar trill)

191 *f* *mp* *p*

S. *rr* *ound* *ded*

A. 1 *ound* *ed*

A. 2 *ound* *de*

A. 3 *ou* *ound*

A. 4 *ou*

A. 5 *ound*

A. 6 *ound*

T. 1 *nous* *cloud*

T. 2 *p,p,p,p...* *ff unvoiced* *mp* *le*

T. 3 *it* *f* *s*

T. 4 *s* *f* *cloud* *mp*

T. 5 *op*

T. 6 *t,t,t,t...* *ff unvoiced* *as fast as possible* *mp* *l*

B. 1-2 *m* *a*

B. 3-4 *m* *a*

B. 5-6 *nd*

S. *light*

A. *and* *gloss*

T. *a*

B. *fall* *a*

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S.

A. 1

A. 2

A. 3

A. 4

A. 5

A. 6

T. 1

T. 2

T. 3

T. 4

T. 5

T. 6

B. 1-2

B. 3-4

B. 5-6

S.

A.

T.

B.

w - i

ed

ded

w

ed

i

et

it

*as fast as possible
ff unvoiced*

i

t,t,t,...s

eyes

*ff as fast as possible
unvoiced*

e

t,t,t,...s

nd

i

nd

*f as fast as possible
unvoiced*

i

t,t,t,...s

eye

individual lengths

i

mme di ate

drop

let

mf

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48 205 *repeat phrase individually and out of tempo*
sometimes very slow, sometimes repeating the unvoiced 't' or holding the 's'

S. 1 and its eyes *repeat phrase individually and out of tempo*
sometimes very slow, sometimes repeating the unvoiced 't' or holding the 's'

S. 2 and its eyes

A. 1 i

A. 2 i

A. 3 w i i

A. 4 i i

A. 5 i

A. 6 i i

T. 1 *f* *as fast as possible* *unvoiced* eye

T. 2 and i

T. 3 were li k,k,k(e)...

T. 4 like fi re

T. 5 *mp* i

T. 6 *f* *mp* s its *tutti* *f* *as fast as possible* *unvoiced* *mp* s *f*

B. 1-2 i t,t,t... s

B. 3-4 i t,t,t...s eye s *f*

B. 5-6

S. came out

A. ly a hu

T. drop let *gliss.* of light

B. drop let *gliss.* of light

S.

A. 1

A. 2

A. 3

A. 4

A. 5

A. 6

T. 1

T. 2

T. 3

T. 4

T. 5

T. 6

B. 1-2

B. 3-4

B. 5-6

S.

A.

T.

B.

50 221 *continue...*

S.

A. 1

A. 2

A. 3

A. 4

A. 5

A. 6

T. 1

T. 2

T. 3

T. 4

T. 5

T. 6

B. 1-2

B. 3-4

B. 5-6

S.

A.

T.

B.

S.

A. 1

A. 2

A. 3

A. 4

A. 5

A. 6

T. 1

T. 2

T. 3

T. 4

T. 5

T. 6

B. 1-2

B. 3-4

B. 5-6

S.

A.

T.

B.

lu m

i u mi

lu m mi

s li i

eye

ike ike eyes like eyes

mf

ff (unvoiced)

k,k,k...

all

the wa

S.

A. 1 *nous* *cloud*

A. 2 *ou*

A. 3 *i* *f (unvoiced)* *sh*

A. 4 *i* *nou*

A. 5 *mi* *i*

A. 6 *n* *ith* *a*

T. 1 *ike* *fi*

T. 2 *eye* *ff* *mf*

T. 3 *ike* *ff*

T. 4 *i* *as fast as possible (unvoiced)* *ff* *mf*

T. 5 *like* *f* *fffff...* *ire*

T. 6 *like* *fi*

B. 1-2 *mf*

B. 3-4 *ff (unvoiced)* *mf* *light*
 k,k,k,k... *light*

B. 5-6 *ff (unvoiced)* *mf* *light*
 k,k,k,k... *light*

S. *bove* *and*

A. *light*

T. *of* *the*

B.

S.

A. 1 *f* (unvoiced) *mf*
sh - - *e* *su* - -

A. 2 *f*
s *mf*
clou

A. 3 *mf*
su - - *rr* - - *ou* - - *m* - -
e

A. 4 *f* (unvoiced)
s *mf*
(unvoiced) clou *oud*

A. 5 *f* *mf*
e *s* - - *u* - - *rr* - -

A. 6 *l* *u* *mi*

T. 1 *f* *mf*
re - - *s* *she* - - *s*

T. 2 *ike* *u* *s* *su*

T. 3 *ire* *s* *su*

T. 4 *ire*

T. 5 *su* *rr* *ound*

T. 6 *i* *re* *s*

B. 1-2 *gliss.* *ni* *ng* *f*
repeat 'fire', individual lengths

B. 3-4 *gliss.* *ning* *fire*

B. 5-6 *n* *ing* *f* *mf* *i*

S. *passed* *through*

A. *came* *out* *of* *the eighth*

T. *hea*

B. *- ter* *and* *im* - - *me* - - *di* - - *ate* - - *ly*

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S.

A. 1 *f* *mf*

A. 2 *ou* *n*

A. 3 *i* *nou* *s* *f*

A. 4 *she* *su* *rr* *f*

A. 5 *ou* *n* *de* *mp*

A. 6 *nou* *s* *oud* *f* (unvoiced) *mf*

T. 1 *u* *rrou* *mf*

T. 2 *u* *rr* *ou* *f* *mf*

T. 3 *u* *rrou* *mf*

T. 4 *sh* *e* *i* *f* *mf*

T. 5 *ed* *mf*

T. 6 *su* *u* *s* *f* *mf*

B. 1-2 *i* *r(e)* *ff* *f* *mf*

B. 3-4

B. 5-6

S. *all* *of* *the*

A. *hea* *ven* *a*

T. *vens* *of*

B. *hu* *man*

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259 *continue...*

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S.

A. 1 ded sou

A. 2 oud m i

A. 3 *mf* clou

A. 4 *mf* ound f ou

A. 5 ed it

A. 6 m ou

T. 1 ou

T. 2 ound ed

T. 3 oun

T. 4 i

T. 5 i

T. 6 *mf* sound a

B. 1-2 ire a

B. 3-4 and

B. 5-6 *f* (*rolled r*) *mf* r(e) and

S. hea

A. bove and

T. hu ma n a

B.

56 267 *continue...*

S.

A. 1 *ou* *ound*

A. 2 *it*

A. 3 *ou* *ou*

A. 4 *ou* *n*

A. 5 *t,t,t,t...* *w* *ff as fast as possible unvoiced* *mf*

A. 6 *oud*

T. 1 *ound*

T. 2 *ound*

T. 3 *as fast as possible (voiced)*
d,d,d,d... *ed*

T. 4 *it* *wi*

T. 5 *t,t,t,t...* *with* *ff* *mf*

T. 6 *w*

B. 1-2 *nd*

B. 3-4 *f* *sh*

B. 5-6 *sh* *e* *f* *sh*

S. *vens* *of* *the* *earth*

A. *passed* *3*

T. *when* *she* *let*

B. *be* *ing*

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J

CUE IN S1 and S2, pedal note on F#

repeat in individual tempo, stay on one pitch for each phrase, sometimes very slow, sometimes holding unvoiced consonants

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S. *and she surrounded it with a luminous cloud*

A. 1 *with* *ff as fast as possible unvoiced*

A. 2 *t,t,t,t...* *a*

A. 3 *oud* *with* *3*

A. 4 *nd* *she* *e*

A. 5 *i* *ith*

A. 6 *sh* *e* *as fast as possible (voiced)*

T. 1 *a* *l,l,l,... u*

T. 2 *as fast as possible (voiced)* *mp* *d,d,d,d... ed* *lu*

T. 3 *i* *it* *a*

T. 4 *i* *th* *a*

T. 5 *t,t,t,... it* *lu*

T. 6 *wi* *th*

B. 1-2 *she*

B. 3-4 *e*

S. *be hold*

A. *all* *the*

T. *fall* *a* *drop*

B. *blue*

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S. *p* *mp*

A. 1 *lu* *mi* *su*

A. 2 *mi* *nous*

A. 3 *a* *nou* *s*

A. 4 *su*

A. 5 *lu* *sh* *e*

A. 6 *a* *u* *cloud*

T. 1 *m* *i*

T. 2 *u* *s*

T. 3 *l* *lu* *mi*

T. 4 *f* *lu*

T. 5 *mi*

T. 6 *u* *u*

B. 1-2 *p* *mp*

B. 3-4 *p* *f* *su* *s*

B. 5-6 *f* *start individually,
one by one* *su* *lu*

S. *light*

A. *hea* *vens*

T. *it*

B. *a* *n* *dro*

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S.

A. 1

A. 2

A. 3

A. 4

A. 5

A. 6

T. 1

T. 2

T. 3

T. 4

T. 5

T. 6

B. 1-2

B. 3-4

B. 5-6

S.

A.

T.

B.

59

she

cloud

she

f

mp

e

f

mp

i

nou

lu

f

mp

u

s

mi

mi

repeat in individual tempo, sometimes very slow, sometimes holding unvoiced consonants

and she surrounded it with a luminous cloud

rr

mf solo

tutti mp

repeat in individual tempo, sometimes very slow, sometimes holding unvoiced consonants

and she surrounded it with a luminous cloud

rr

f (rolled r)

repeat in individual tempo, sometimes very slow

sometimes holding unvoiced consonants

and she surrounded it with a luminous cloud

it

flowed

Alto solo

of the earth

earth

when

she

flowed

on

to

gyn - ous

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S. 60

A. 1

A. 2

A. 3

A. 4

A. 5

A. 6

T. 1

T. 2

mp

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T. 3

nou

ff

T. 4

i

nou

T. 5

nou

T. 6

u

ff

s

continue...

B.

S.

on

A.

let

gliss.

fall

T.

the wa

gliss.

B.

a

hu

man

a

305 S. 61

A. 1

A. 2

A. 3

A. 4

A. 5

A. 6

T. 1

T. 2

T. 3

T. 4

T. 5

T. 6

continue...

B.

S.

A.

T.

B.

NB
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S.

A. 1

A. 2

A. 3

A. 4

A. 5

A. 6

T. 1

T. 2

T. 3

T. 4

T. 5

T. 6

B.

S.

A.

T.

B.

continue...

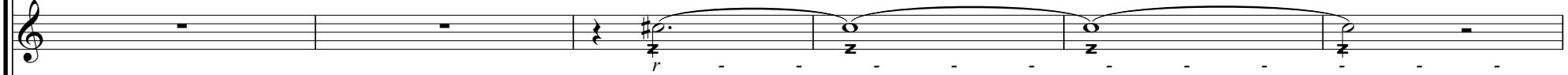
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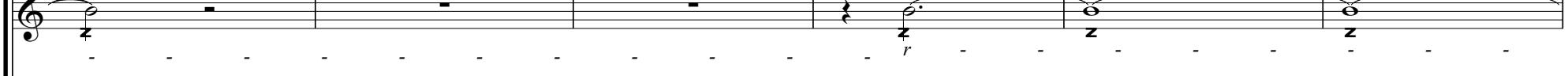
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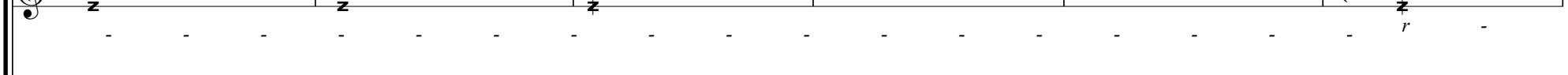
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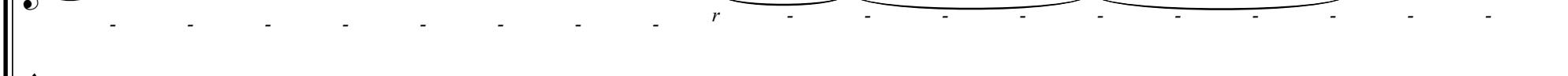
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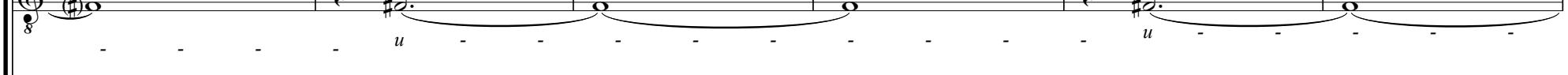
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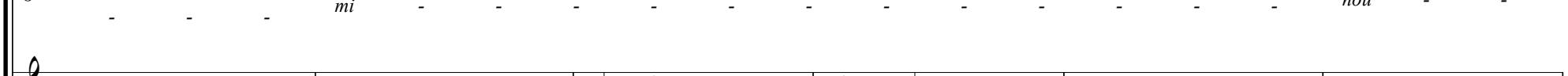
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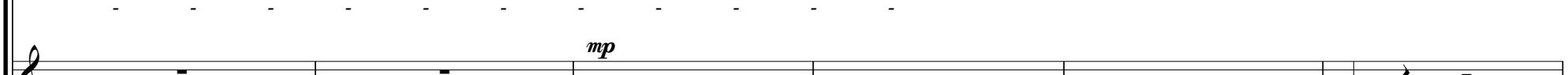
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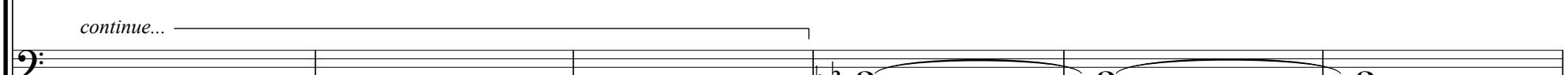
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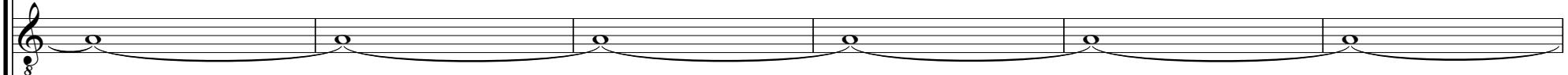
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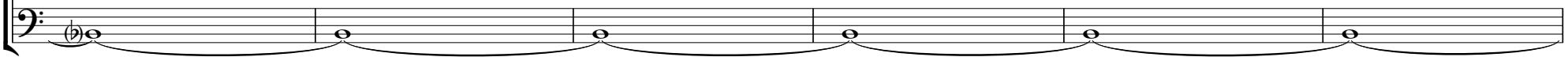
T. 5 

T. 6 

B. 

S. 

A. 

T. 

B. 

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CUE OUT S3
S1 and S2 continue

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S.

A. 1

A. 2

A. 3

A. 4

A. 5

A. 6

T. 1

T. 2

T. 3

T. 4

T. 5

T. 6

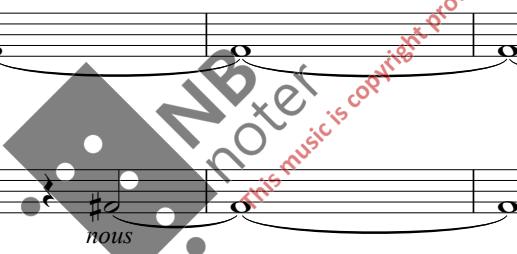
B.

S.

A.

T.

B.



mi

nous

ou

ous

nous

mi

nous

K2

Thunder, Perfect Mind

Sing through the melodies. Four soloists (SATB) first through the first phrases (soprano and tenor through 10 phrases, alto and bass through 6 phrases). Soprano and tenor start, alto and bass enter after 3-4 phrases.

Gradually joined by more and more singers. All start from top. Individual timing and tempo. Overlapping. Make pauses. More and more intense.

K*rubato, ♩ = 70-100*

Attacca, S1 and S2 continue

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SATB:

3

5

sopranos and tenors only:

9

10

Cue in K1 at letter L, about 1 minute after start. K2 continues till end of piece.

K2

Additional elements:

Letter M starts about 4 minutes after L.

After letter M, the singers may choose from the following optional phrases in addition to the phrases already sung. From letter M, any of the phrases, including those on the previous page, may be sung at any point.

sopranos and tenors:

II

I lis - ten, I lis - ten,

13

I am sens - less_ and_ I am wise, I am sens - less_ and_ I am wise

basses and altos:

15

I lis - tem, I lis - ten,

17

I am sens - less_ and_ I am wise, I am sens - less_ and_ I am wise

After letter M, the singers may also choose to improvise phrases on the following scale.

Make rapid or slow lines, or combine. Use any pitches in any order.

Sing on freely chosen open vowels. Make dynamic variations. Soloistic!

19

Hear Me In Gentleness

One minute after the start of letter K

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L $\text{♩} = 60$ *very rubato*

[S1, S2 and K2 continue]

Solo dramatic

Female Voice

Why? Why? Why?

Solo

I _____ am she who ex - exists ____ in all fears ____ and strength in

Solo

trem - ling. I am she who is weak ____ and I am well in a plea - sant place.

Solo

I _____ am sense - less and ____ I am wise.

Solo

18 and ____ I _____ lis - ten,

T.

I am the one who cries out, I am the

B.

22

Solo

T. one who's called Thruth,

B.

Conductor: make some variations in tempo and dynamics.
Continue through letter M till the start of letter N.

27

T.

B.

31

T.

B.

rep. x times

K1, K3, church organ

Be On Your Guard

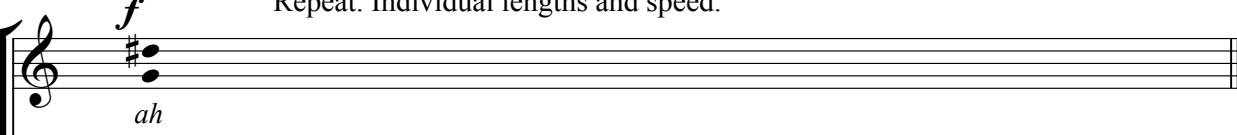
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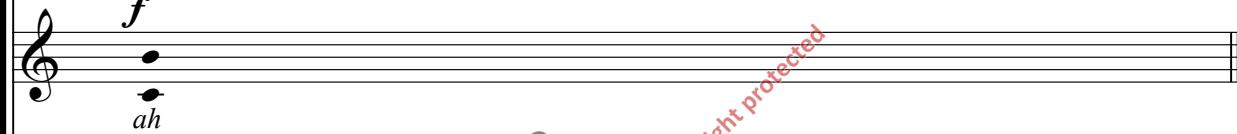
dur: 2 min.

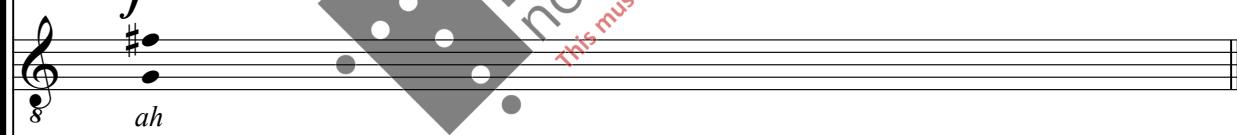
CUE IN S3 and church organ
S1, S2, K1 and K2 continue

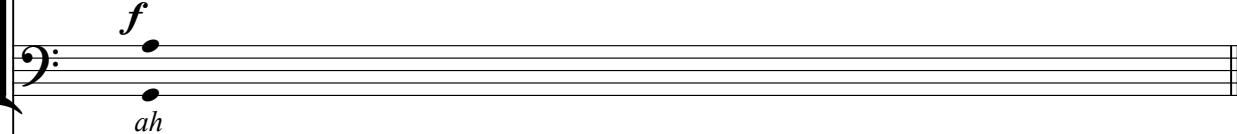
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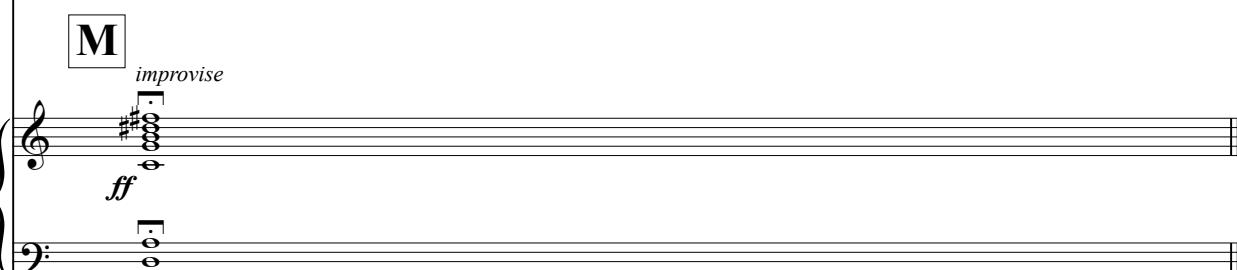
K3: make a long glissando from the lowest to highest note in the interval,
each glissando lasting one breath. Individual lengths.
Repeat. Individual lengths and speed.

Soprano *f*

ah

Alto *f*

ah

K3

ah

Tenor *f*

ah

Bass *f*

improvise

Church Organ *ff*

To be conducted The whole of letter N should be repeated three times. Total dur: 12 minutes.

N 1

= 60 rubato

fff

K3: make a long glissando from top note, start again at the top note for each breath; individual lengths and speed. Make pauses.
ad lib.

S. 2 | *guard!* *ff* *your fff* *ah* *ad lib.*

A. | *on guard!* *ah* *ad lib.*

K3

T. | *ff fff* *guard!* *ah* *ad lib.*

B. | *Be* *guard!* *ah* *ad lib.*

S. | *ffff* *guard!* *Be* *3 on your guard.*

A. | *ff your fff* *on guard* *Be* *3 on your guard.*

K1

T. | *Be guard! Be* *3 on your guard.*

B. | *Be guard! Be* *3 on your guard.*

N 1

S. | *ffff* *3* ,

A. | *ffff* *3* ,

T. | *ffff* *3* ,

B. | *ffff* *3* ,

K3 *continue...*

K3: continue till conductor gives cue to start next phrase

7

S.

A.

K3

T.

B.

improvise till conductor gives
cue to start next phrase

8



72

N 2

To be conducted

II (acet)

fff

K3: make individual glissandi,
arrive at top note individually and stay (all in one breath,)
repeat ad lib.

f

S. (acet) ***fff*** war ***f***

A. (acet) ***fff*** war ***f***

K3

T. (acet) ***fff*** war ***f***

B. (acet) ***fff*** war ***f***

S. ***ff*** ***fff***,

I am war and

ff***fff***

A. I am war , and

ff***fff***

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NB noter
without the text individually,
but only once through

(acet)

K1

T. I am war , and

ff***fff***

I am the voice whose sound is manifold.

B. I am war , and

ff***fff***

and

N 2

change between the chords within a bar

S. ***fff***,

A. ***fff***,

improvised repetitions one note

T. ***fff***,

B. ***fff***,

14 K3: continue, *improvise ad. lib.***K3**

Soprano (S.) staff: Treble clef, 4/4 time, note value quarter note. Blank staff.

Alto (A.) staff: Treble clef, 4/4 time, note value quarter note. Blank staff.

Tenor (T.) staff: Treble clef, 4/4 time, note value eighth note. Blank staff.

Bass (B.) staff: Bass clef, 4/4 time, note value quarter note. Blank staff.

K1

Soprano (S.) staff: Treble clef, 4/4 time, key signature one sharp. Measures 1-2: $\text{I} \underline{\text{3}}$ am . Measure 3: peace.

Alto (A.) staff: Treble clef, 4/4 time, key signature one sharp. Measures 1-2: $\text{I} \underline{\text{3}}$ am . Measure 3: peace.

Tenor (T.) staff: Treble clef, 4/4 time, note value eighth note. Blank staff. A red watermark "NB noter" and "This music is copyright protected" is overlaid on this staff.

Bass (B.) staff: Bass clef, 4/4 time, key signature one flat. Measures 1-2: $\text{I} \underline{\text{3}}$ am . Measure 3: peace.

Text: *Be on your guard,
I am the silence that is incomprehensible!*

Soprano (S.) staff: Treble clef, 4/4 time, key signature one sharp. Measures 1-2: $\text{I} \underline{\text{3}}$ am . Measure 3: peace.

Alto (A.) staff: Treble clef, 4/4 time, key signature one sharp. Measures 1-2: $\text{I} \underline{\text{3}}$ am . Measure 3: peace.

Tenor (T.) staff: Treble clef, 4/4 time, note value eighth note. Blank staff.

Bass (B.) staff: Bass clef, 4/4 time, key signature one flat. Measures 1-2: $\text{I} \underline{\text{3}}$ am . Measure 3: peace.

Not conducted

Conducted

N 3

(K3 continue)

16

repeat tone till conductor gives cue to go on

K1/3

S.

A.

T.

B.

fff Hear!

fff Hear!

fff Hear!

fff Hear!

fff Hear!

N 3

last repetition:
stay on this chord

improvise till conductor
gives cue to go on

O All music ends *subito*, except K2 and S2 who make a 1 minute long fade out.