

Leik

for toy piano trio (violin, cello, toy piano)

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Leiken er utforskande av natur. Gjennom leik lærer me samhandling. Leiken inneholder dialog, og av og til konfrontasjon. Gjennom leik utfordrar me kvarandre. Leiken bearbeidet rollene våre. Leik inneholder rørsle, tempo og flyt. Me veks gjennom leiken, men me må ikkje slutta å leika fordi om me blir vaksne. Leiken (som kunsten) avspeglar livet.

The act of playing is explorative by nature. Through play, we learn interaction. Playing includes dialogue, and sometimes confrontation. Through play, we challenge each other. The play processes our roles. Playing includes movement, tempo and flow. We grow through the game, but we must not stop playing because we become adults. The play (as art) reflects life.

ABOUT THE SCORE:

Accidentals apply through the whole bar within the same octave

Trills are chromatic if not marked. Tremoloes are unmeasured if not marked

The score gives the performers freedom to improvise, and decide the length of each Senza misura bar
(When seconds are indicated, they are suggestions rather than instructions)

The piece can be performed from the score, but parts are available

Extra:

3 music boxes, small type that can get resonance from instrument and table.

The Toy Piano is to be placed on a small table.

The table must have a contact mic on, connected to amplification through a ring modulator
(preferable a Moog, MF ring). A guitar amp. or another suitable amp. system can be used.

DURATION: c. 12 min.

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Leik

for violin, cello and toy-piano

With playfullness

Senza misura

(♩ = c. 80)

Violin

free articulation and timing (♩ = c. 80)

Cello

free articulation and timing (highest pitch)

Toy Piano

(*p*) trem./gliss.

contact mic ON

1) Improvise randomly by allowing some pitches to sound, while most keys gives no pitches, only mechanical noise

1) Very freely, no sync.

(gloss/trem. sempre)

2) Mute open string with bow
(No reverberation)

2) secco (poco crush)

ord.

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poco crush

Vln.

B

(mute open string)

(rep. ad lib.)

ca. 20-30 sec.

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imitate Toy Piano effect at bar 1
(L.H. only, play firmly on "tasto")

Vlc.

(rep. ad lib.)

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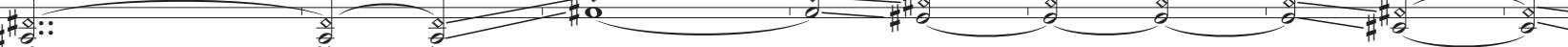
imitate Toy Piano effect at bar 1
(L.H. only, play firmly on "tasto")

T.P.

(♩ = c. 80)

(rep. pattern)

C ord. (2) (3) (4) (5) **D** (2)

Vln. 

Vlc. 

T.P. 

CHANGE

MUSIC BOX ——————
turn slowly, variate ad lib.

Press the music box against
the table to get max resonance

F Senza misura

Vln. (2) poco crush longwise on string (3) behind bridge (b.b.) s.t. molto (4) (change grad. to ord.)

Vlc. sul tasto (s.t.) molto (change grad. to ord.)

T.P. ($\text{♩} = \text{c. } 80$) p

This section of the musical score for strings (Violin, Viola, and Cello/Bassoon) is labeled 'Senza misura'. It includes dynamic markings like 'ppp' and 's.t. molto', and specific bowing instructions such as 'poco crush longwise on string' and 'behind bridge (b.b.)'. The tempo is indicated as ' $\text{♩} = \text{c. } 80$ '.

Misurata ($\text{♩} = \text{c. } 80$) 8^{va} 30 Vln. mf $pp_{\text{sub.}}$ lay down bow

Vlc. mf sfz

T.P. ff 5 6 6

G s.t. ppp sempre pizz. rep. pattern ff (l.v.) 4) Fermata only if needed for Vln

ord. pizz. 5 lay down bow (8) 4) (8)

This section of the musical score for strings (Violin, Viola, and Cello/Bassoon) is labeled 'Misurata' with a tempo of ' $\text{♩} = \text{c. } 80$ '. It features dynamic markings like 'mf', 'sfz', and 'ff', and various performance techniques including 'pizz.' (pizzicato), 'sempre pizz.', 'rep. pattern', and 'lay down bow'. A large red watermark with the text 'VB Noter' and 'This music is copyright protected' is overlaid on the page.

H

Vln. Vlc. T.P.

I a la guitarra
 (pizz.)
 ff (l.v.)
 strikes on cover 5) 3
 5) no normal pitch wood sound only f

J (grab bow)
 (grab bow)
 Solo
 ord. f
 (trill to C)

43

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Vln. Vlc. T.P.

K 8va arco (f) arco (f) p

8 8

54 2) mute

Vln. Vlc. T.P.

f 5 p f 5 p f 5 p f 5

strikes 5) on cover 3

L

Vln. c.l., jeté 3

Vlc. c.l., jeté 3

T.P.

M Senza misura

8va ord. (f) ord. p

(♩ = c. 80) (f)

N crush (8vb)

impro ("pling plong")

crush (8vb)

secco, no sync.

rapidly ad lib.

impro ("pling plong")

secco, no sync.

rapidly ad lib.

f

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Vln. Vlc. T.P.

Q ff ff (unis. Vln) ff

85

Vln. Vlc. T.P.

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p (grab bow) **p**

c. 104

7) L.H. tap on wood c.l.

7) Strikes w. flat fingers on body of instrument, lower bout R.H. w. bow on open strings

trill/trem. ad lib.

adapt dynamic

91

turn Vln

Vln. R 8) wood sounds R.H.

Vlc. L.H. *f*

8) Play Vln like a drum, strikes w. flat fingers on body of instrument, left and right side of lower bout

9) b.b. ord. 9) Rapid twist w. bow (ord.) c.l. 10) b.b. crush 10) Crush behind bridge III/IV, secco on thread windings

T.P. 8 Ringmodulator (R.M.)
Tone: 12 o'clock
Freq./Mix: 7 o'clock (lowest)

ON Ring modulator (R.M.)

97

Vln. c.l. 10) c.l. 10) c.l. pizz. S (grab bow) *f* adapt dynamic

Vlc. 11) strokes on cover

T.P. 11) Delicate strokes on cover produces Bass Drum-like effect w. Amp/R.M. ON

103

Vln.

Vlc.

9) b.b. ord. **T** c.l. s.p. → s.t. + + + \circ (open) s.p. → s.t. + + + + + \circ s.p. → s.t. + + +

(*f*) impro ad lib. "walking bass"

(rhythm pattern continues w. small variations ad lib.)

A blank musical staff consisting of five horizontal lines. A brace on the left side is labeled "T.P.". Two vertical double bar lines are positioned near the start of the staff, with a red diagonal annotation "detected" pointing towards them.

Musical score for strings and bassoon. The strings play eighth-note patterns with grace notes and slurs. The bassoon plays sustained notes with grace notes. Measure number 108 is indicated.

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U

Vln. 13) crush s.t. molto
 Vlc. 14) rapid longwise bow towards bridge
 15) by frog, crush, secco on string
 bow towards bridge mute w/bow, very rhythmically

12) R.H. *pp*

L.H. 12) Play Vc like a drum, strokes w/ flat fingers
 on body of instrument, left and right side of upper bout.

T.P. TURN (evenly) → o'clock
 MIX FREQ. → o'clock

(MAX) (electronic :
 gliss up) (HIGHEST)

119

Vln. 13) 14)
 Vlc. mute *rall. poco* (grab bow) *pp*

T.P. (LOWEST) >
 TURN (evenly) → o'clock
 FREQ. → o'clock
 (electronic: gliss. down)

Opt. Tacet

125 13) 14) s.t. ——————∞————— s.p. ——————∞—————

Vln. *pp*

Vlc. Solo arco *mp* 3 *f* crudo sim.

T.P. { 3 4 > 3 4 > 3 4 >

129 ord. (solo) *f* crudo sim. measured trem. *fp* *fp* *fp* *f*

Vln. *fp* *fp* *fp*

Vlc. *fp* *fp* *fp*

T.P. { 3 4 > 3 4 > 3 4 >

W

Vln. measured trem.

Vlc. (f) (solo) sim.

T.P.

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Vln. non dim.

Vlc. non dim.

T.P.

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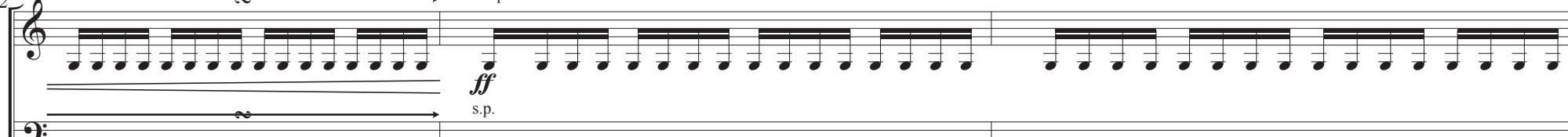
X s.t. —————— ~

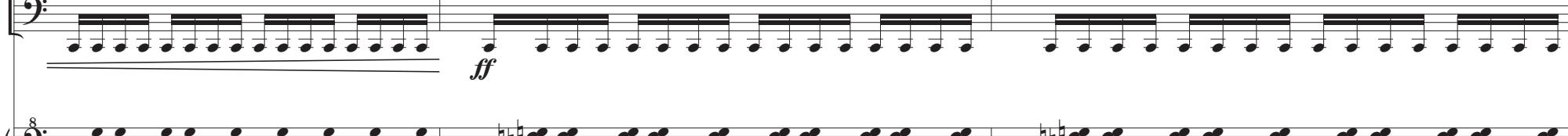
pp s.t. —————— ~

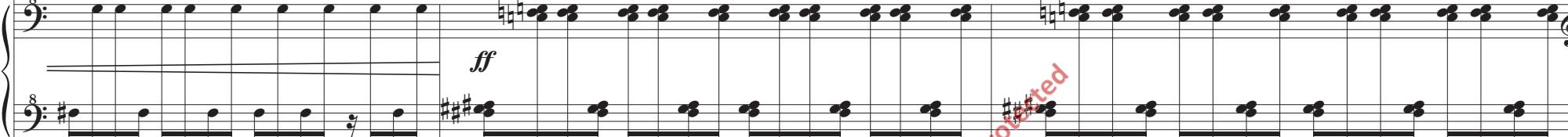
pp ord.

pp

142

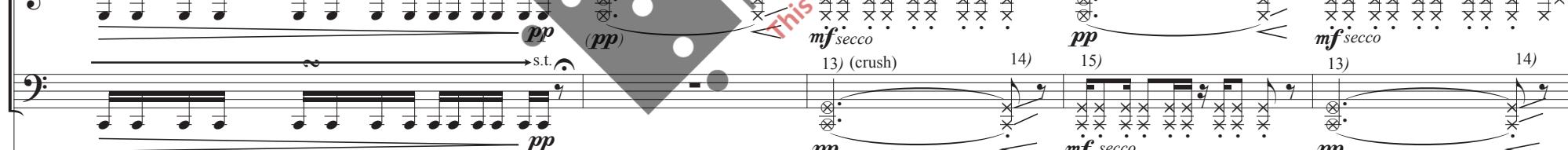
Vln. 

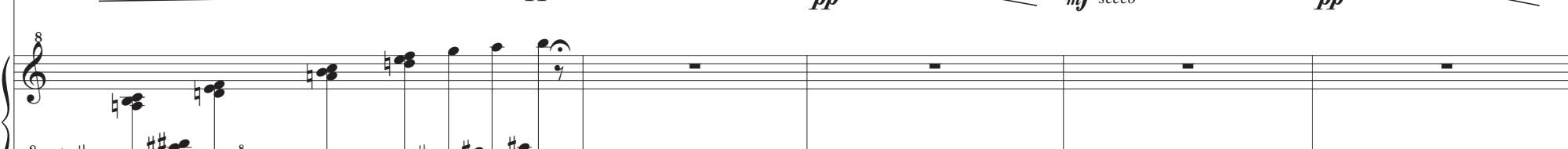
Vlc. 

T.P. 

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Vln. 

Vlc. 

T.P. 

Z

Vln. Vlc. T.P.

15) 13) 14) 15)

15) 9) 3) 13) 14) 15)

p *mf* *p* *mf*

mf secco

8

A1

Vln. Vlc. T.P.

15) 15)

mf *f*

15) 15)

f

trill rhythm w. two fingers

ord. sim. (even gliss.)

ord. sim. (even gliss.)

mp (sim.)

TURN FREQ. HIGHEST (electronic: gliss. down) TURN FREQ.

(electronic: gliss up) (electronic: gliss up)

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top-tones changeable
sim.
measured
adapt dynamic

(measured sim.)
adapt dynamic

T.P.

HIGHEST (electronic: gliss. down) (electronic : gliss up) HIGHEST LOWEST HIGH LOW HIGH

B1 Senza misura lunga ② ③ ④ ⑤ C1 lunga

Vln. **Vlc.** **T.P.**

165 pp lunga pp lunga lunga (slowly up) (slowly down)

LOWEST HIGH LOWEST

D1 Molto lento

Vln. *pp senza vib.*

Vlc. *pp senza vib.*

T.P.

E1 Senza misura

(2) put Music Box on instrument (3) play Music Box slowly w. max. resonance

put Music Box on instrument play Music Box slowly w. max. resonance

F1 put down Vln put Music Box on Toy Piano (2) play Music Box more and more slowly until stop

walk slowly to Toy Piano (5)

walk to Toy Piano TACET (bring Music Box) play Music Box on Toy Piano play more and more slowly until stop

play Music Box slowly play more and more slowly until stop

twiggle R.M. (R.M.)