

The Valley of Darkness

Barry E. Kopetz

1 Full Score	2 Trumpet 1	1 Timpani
1 Piccolo	3 Trumpet 2	4 Percussion 1: Snare Drum, Bass Drum, Wood Block
4 Flute 1	3 Trumpet 3	4 Percussion 2: Crash Cymbals, Suspended Cymbal, Triangle, Tambourine, Tam-tam
4 Flute 2	2 F Horn 1	2 Percussion 3: 4 Concert Toms, 2 Bongos
2 Oboe	2 F Horn 2	3 Mallets 1: Bells, Chimes (shared with Mlts. 2), Xylophone (shared with Mlts. 2)
2 Bassoon	3 Trombone 1	3 Mallets 2: Vibraphone, Chimes (shared with Mlts. 1), Xylophone (shared with Mlts. 1)
2 Clarinet 1	3 Trombone 2	
3 Clarinet 2	1 Trombone 3	
3 Clarinet 3	2 Baritone B.C.	
2 Bass Clarinet	1 Baritone T.C.	
2 Alto Saxophone 1	5 Tuba	
2 Alto Saxophone 2	1 String Bass	
2 Tenor Sax	1 Harp	
1 Baritone Sax		

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Program Notes

The Valley of Darkness . . . eerie . . . overgrown . . . unchartered . . . an echo of an era longtime past.

The music depicts an expedition of adventurers into a heretofore-unnoticed valley in an unsettled land. Several imaginary scenes are portrayed and there is a universal sense of dread and foreboding that permeates the work.

The journey begins with the dark and impending entrance into the mouth of an undiscovered canyon, opening immediately into a landscape of distinct enchantment. The third interlude captures the spirit of voyaging down a secluded river, replete with torrential rapids, massive boulders, moss-covered branches, and perilous whirlpools. The fourth episode takes place back on solid ground and the wayfarers develop an uncomfortable sense of being observed in the course of their travels. The fifth scene transpires on a quiet, undisturbed lake. The mournful strains of a somber song are heard drifting over water glistening with reflections of storm clouds upon the darkened depths. The final episode is prefaced through the use of emphatic call and response chord statements.

The native occupants of the valley had long ago detected the presence of humans trespassing upon their land, and as they near the end of their sojourn, the speed and urgency of their path has quickened. To escape through the narrow crevice at the end of the valley now seems plausible and within their reach. The inhabitants of the Valley of Darkness think otherwise . . .

About the Composer

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ASCAP

Dark and Impending ♩ = 112

The musical score consists of ten staves of musical notation. The instruments listed on the left are: Piccolo, Flute 1 & 2, Oboe, Bassoon, Clarinet 1 & 2, Clarinet 3, Bass Clarinet, Alto Saxophone 1 & 2, Tenor Saxophone, Baritone Saxophone, Trumpet 1 & 2, F Horn 1 & 2, Trombone 1 & 2, Baritone, Tuba, Timpani, Percussion 1 (Snare Drum, Bass Drum, Wood Block), Percussion 2 (Crash Cymbals, Suspended Cymbal, Triangle, Tambourine, Tam-tam), Percussion 3 (Tom-toms, Bongos), Mallets 1 (Bells, Vibraphone, Chimes), Mallets 2 (Xylophone, Chimes), String Bass (opt.), and Harp (or Piano). The score is set in 2/4 time, with a key signature of two flats. The tempo is indicated as ♩ = 112. The dynamics and performance instructions include: *f*, *a2*, *sfp*, *f* div., *f* Tune to : G, C, D, G, *mp*, *cresc.*, Cr. Cym., Sus. Cym. *mp*, *f*, *ff*, Toms (w/ sticks), *ff*, *f*, *giss*, *giss*, and *mf*. The score is divided into measures numbered 1 through 10 at the bottom.

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11

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Picc.

Fl. 1
Fl. 2

Ob.

Bsn.

Cl. 1
Cl. 2
Cl. 3

B. Cl.

A. Sx.
T. Sx.
B. Sx.

Tpt. 1
Tpt. 2

F Hn.
Trb. 1
Trb. 2

Bar.

Tba.

Timp.

Perc. 1
Perc. 2
Perc. 3

Mlts.
Mlts. 1
Mlts. 2

Bass

Hp.

11

12

13

14

15

16

17

18

19

20

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Picc.

Fl. 1
Fl. 2

Ob.

Bsn.

Cl. 1
Cl. 2
Cl. 3

B. Cl.

A. Sx.
T. Sx.
B. Sx.

Tpt. 1
Tpt. 2
F Hn.

Trb. 1
Trb. 2

Bar.

Tba.

Timp.

Perc. 1
Perc. 2
Perc. 3

Mlts.
Mlts.

Bass

Hp.

23

G to A

21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30

33 molto rit.

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39 Misterioso ♩ = 72

Picc. -

Fl. 1 - ff

Fl. 2 - ff

Ob. - ff

Bsn. -

Cl. 1 - unis. ff

Cl. 2 3 - ff

B. Cl. -

A. Sx. 1 2 -

T. Sx. -

B. Sx. -

Tpt. 1 - unis. ff

Tpt. 2 3 - ff

F Hn. 1 2 - ff p

Trb. 1 -

Trb. 2 3 - ff

Bar. - ff

Tba. - unis. ff p

Timp. - > A to G mf mp > p

Perc. 1 - > ff

Perc. 2 - f pp p

Perc. 3 -

Mlts. 1 2 - Vib. Bells (sim.) mp pizz. ♫

Bass - mp

Hp. - ff f ♫

*poco rall.***49 Heavy; Ponderous** $\text{♩} = 92$

Picc. -

Fl. 1 -

Fl. 2 -

Ob. -

Bsn. -

Cl. 1 -

Cl. 2

Cl. 3 -

B. Cl. -

A. Sx. 1

A. Sx. 2 -

T. Sx. -

B. Sx. -

Tpt. 1 -

Tpt. 2

F Hn. 1

F Hn. 2 -

Trb. 1 -

Trb. 2

Bar. -

Tba. -

Timp. -

Perc. 1 -

Perc. 2 -

Perc. 3 -

Mlts. 1

Mlts. 2 -

Bass -

Hp. -

mp legato

pp — *p*

pp — *p*

Hn. 1 cue

mp *legato*

Hn. 2 cue

Play a2

f

f

a2

mp legato

p

mp legato

ff

Sus. Cym. w/stick

pp

Softest Yarn Mallet

Vib. + Bells

ff

arcò

mp *arcò*

p

ff

p

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57

Picc.

Fl. 1
Fl. 2

Ob.

Bsn.

Cl. 1
Cl. 2
Cl. 3

B. Cl.

A. Sx. 1
A. Sx. 2

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

Tpt. 1

Tpt. 2
Tpt. 3

F Hn. 1

F Hn. 2

Trb. 1

Trb. 2
Trb. 3

Bar.

Tba.

Tim.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Perc. 3

Mlts. 1
Mlts. 2

Bass

Hp.

57

55 56 57 58 59 60 61 62 63 64 65 66

73 Building ominously

Picc.

Fl. 1
Fl. 2

Ob.

Bsn.

Cl. 1
Cl. 3

B. Cl.

A. Sx.
T. Sx.

B. Sx.

Tpt. 1
Tpt. 2

F Hn.
Trb. 1
Trb. 2

Bar.

Tba.

Timp.

Perc. 1
Perc. 2
Perc. 3

Mlts.
Bass

Hp.

73 Building ominously

67 68 69 70 71 72 73 74 75 76 77

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81

Picc.

Fl. 1 *mf*

Fl. 2 *mf*

Ob.

Bsn.

Cl. 1

Cl. 2 *mf*

B. Cl.

A. Sx. 1 *f*

A. Sx. 2 *mf*

T. Sx. *mp*

B. Sx.

Tpt. 1

Tpt. 2 *mf*

F Hn. 1

Trb. 1

Trb. 2

Bar.

Tba.

Timp.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Perc. 3 *mf*

Mlts. 1 *mf*

Mlts. 2 *mf*

Bells

Xylo.

Bass

Hp.

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94 Sinister; Delicato ♩ = 144

Picc.

Fl. 1

Fl. 2

Ob.

Bsn.

Cl. 1

Cl. 2

B. Cl.

+A. Sx. 2

A. Sx. 1

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

Tpt. 1

Tpt. 2

F Hn. 1

Trb. 1

Trb. 2

Bar.

Tba.

Timp.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Perc. 3

Mlts. 1

Mlts. 2

Bass

Hp.

94 Sinister; Delicato ♩ = 144

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Picc.

Fl. 1

Fl. 2

Ob.

Bsn.

Cl. 1

Cl. 2

B. Cl.

A. Sx. 1

A. Sx. 2

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

Tpt. 1

Tpt. 2

F Hn. 1

F Hn. 2

Trb. 1

Trb. 2

Bar.

Tba.

Timp.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Tamb.

Perc. 3

Mlts. 1

Mlts. 2

Bass

Hp.

The Valley of Darkness

97 98 99 100 101 102 103 104

...with a sense of foreboding

Picc. *p* *mf*

Fl. 1 *mf*

Fl. 2 *mf*

Ob.

Bsn. *f* *mp* *mf* *div. f* *ff*

Cl. 1 *mp* *f* *ff*

Cl. 2 *mp* *f* *ff*

B. Cl. *mp* *f* *ff*

A. Sx. 1 *mf* *p* *mp* *a2* *ff*

T. Sx. *f* *ff*

B. Sx. *f* *ff*

106 ...with a sense of foreboding

Tpt. 1 *p* *a2* *f* *ff*

Tpt. 2 *p* *f* *ff*

F Hn. 1 *f* *ff*

Trb. 1 *p* *f* *f* *ff*

Trb. 2 *f* *ff*

Bar. *mp* *mf* *f* *f* *ff*

Tba. *mp* *mf* *f* *ff*

If a 30" Timp. is not available, play all D's in the upper octave.

Timp. *ff*

Perc. 1 *pp* Sn. Dr. *f* Tamb. *ff*

Sus. Cym. scrape w/tri. btr.

Perc. 2 *p* *mp* *mf* *f* *ff*

Perc. 3 *mf* *p* *mp* *f*

Mlt. 1 *f*

Mlt. 2 *f*

Bass

Hp.

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122

Plaintive, Eerily ♩ = 68

Picc.

Fl. 1
Fl. 2 *mf* → *f* → *mp* → *f*

Ob.

Bsn.

Cl. 1 *f*

Cl. 2 *p* → *f*

B. Cl.

A. Sx. 1
A. Sx. 2 *p* → *f*

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

p → *f*

Tpt. 1 *mf* → *f* a2

Tpt. 2 *f* a2

F Hn. 1
F Hn. 2 *f*

Trb. 1 *f*

Trb. 2 *f*

Bar. *f*

Tba.

Timp.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2 *ff*

Tam-tam

Perc. 3 *mp* → *mf* → *mp* → *ff*

Mlts. 1
Mlts. 2 *p*

Bass

Hp.

one player each note

one player

G to A; Low D to E

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Picc.

Fl. 1
Fl. 2

Ob.

Bsn.

Cl. 1
Cl. 2
Cl. 3

B. Cl.

A. Sx. 1
A. Sx. 2

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

Tpt. 1
Tpt. 2
Tpt. 3

F Hn. 1
F Hn. 2

Trb. 1
Trb. 2
Trb. 3

Bar.

Tba.

Timp.

Perc. 1
(w/ stick)

Perc. 2
Tamb.
Tri.

Perc. 3

Mlts. 1
Mlts. 2
Vib. bowed (or struck w/yarn mlt.)
p *ff*

Bass

Hp.

1st. only tutti

pp

Cl 2 - one player

p Cl 3 - one player

A. Sx. 1 - one player

p one player

one player - muted

p

Tpt. 2 - one player - muted

p

Tpt. 3 - one player - muted

p

pp

div.

pp

Wood Block

p

Vib. bowed (or struck w/yarn mlt.)

Yarn mlt.

p *ff*

p

mp

127 128 129 130 131 132 133 134

14

136 Doloroso ♩ = 72

Picc.

Fl. 1 Solo (or soli) *mf*

Ob.

Bsn. *p* tutti *mp*

Cl. 1 a2 tutti *p* *mp* Cl. 2

Cl. 3 *mp* *p*

B. Cl.

A. Sx. 1 F Hn. 1 cue *p* mournfully *mp*

T. Sx. *mp* *p*

B. Sx.

Tpt. 1

Tpt. 2

F Hn. 1 *p* mournfully *mp* *p*

Trb. 1

Trb. 2

Bar.

Bass Clarinet cue

Tba. *p* *mp*

Timp.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2 Tri. *mp*

Perc. 3 *p* Tamb. *p*

Mlts. 1 2 *mp*

Bass *p* *mp*

Hp.

145 piú animato

Picc.

Fl. 1 *p*

Fl. 2 *mp*

Ob. *mp*

Bsn.

Cl. 1 *mf* *espr.*

Cl. 2 *mp*

+Cl. 3

B. Cl. *mp*

A. Sx. 1 Ob. cue *mf*

2 F Hn. 1 cue *mp*

T. Sx. *p*

B. Sx. *p*

Tpt. 1 tutti - open *mf*

Tpt. 2 tutti - open *espr.* *p*

F Hn. 2 *p*

Trb. 1 *p*

Trb. 2 *p*

Bar. *p* *a2* *mf*

Tba. Play *p*

Tim. *p*

Perc. 1 Sus. Cym. *ppp* (*no cresc.*)

Perc. 2 Tom-toms (yarn mallets)

Perc. 3 *p*

Mlts. 1 *mp*

Mlts. 2 *p*

Bass *p*

Hp. *p*

p **piú animato**

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Picc.

Fl. 1

Fl. 2

Ob.

Bsn.

Cl. 1

Cl. 2

B. Cl.

A. Sx.

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

Tpt. 1

Tpt. 2

F Hn. 1

+F Hn. 2

Trb. 1

Trb. 2

Bar.

Tba.

Tim.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

switch to sticks

p

Harp cue

Mlts.

Bass

Hp.

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157

Picc.

Fl. 1
Solo (or soli)
mp

Ob.

Bsn.
p

Cl. 1
mp

Cl. 2
3
p

B. Cl.
p

A. Sx. 1
2

T. Sx.

B. Sx.
p

Tpt. 1

Tpt. 2
3

F Hn. 1
2

Trb. 1
p

Trb. 2
3

Bar.
p
Bsn. cue

Tba.

Timp.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Perc. 3

Mlts. 1
2
Play
p
Ped.

Bass
p

Hp.
p

molto rall.

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169 Heavily! ♩ = 148

molto rall.

Picc.

Fl. 1

Fl. 2

Ob.

Bsn.

Cl. 1

Cl. 2

B. Cl.

A. Sx. 1

A. Sx. 2 one player

A. Sx. 2 one player

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

Tpt. 1

Tpt. 2

F Hn. 1

Trb. 1

Trb. 2 one player

Bar.

Tba.

Timp.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Perc. 3

Bells (rubber mfts.)

Mlts. 1

Mlts. 2

Bass

Hp.

164 165 166 167 168 169 170 171 172

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Hammering! With power $\text{d} = 104$

Picc.
Fl. 1
Fl. 2
Ob.
Bsn.
Cl. 1
Cl. 2
B. Cl.
A. Sx. 1
T. Sx.
B. Sx.

Hammering! With power $\text{d} = 104$

Tpt. 1
Tpt. 2
F Hn.
Trb. 1
Trb. 2
Bar.
Tba.
Timp.
Perc. 1
Perc. 2
Perc. 3
Mlts.
Bass
Hp.

Hammering! With power $\text{d} = 104$

A to C; A to Gb

Xylo.

Bells

With power $\text{d} = 104$

The Valley of Darkness

181

Picc.

Fl. 1
Fl. 2

Ob.

Bsn.

Cl. 1
Cl. 2
Cl. 3

B. Cl.

A. Sx.
T. Sx.

B. Sx.

Tpt. 1
Tpt. 2

F Hn.
Trb. 1
Trb. 2

Bar.

Tba.

Timp.

Perc. 1
Perc. 2
Perc. 3

Mlts.
Bass

Hp.

189

Fl. 2 - div.

ff

ff

ff

ff

ff

f

sfz

f

sfz

f

f

a2

f

f

f

ff

ff

mp (sticks)

ff

ff

f

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... building in intensity

Picc.

Fl. 1 only +Fl. 2 div. (sim.)

Ob.

Bsn.

Cl. 1

Cl. 3

B. Cl.

A. Sx. 1

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

Tpt. 1

Tpt. 2

F Hn. 1

Trb. 1

Trb. 2

Bar.

Tba.

Timp.

Perc. 1

Wood Block

Perc. 2

Perc. 3

Mlts. 1

Xylo.

Bass

ff

Hp.

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Brightly!

205

203

Brightly.

Picc. Fl. 1 Fl. 2 Ob. Bsn. Cl. 1 Cl. 2 B. Cl. A. Sx. T. Sx. B. Sx. Tpt. 1 Tpt. 2 F Hn. 1 Trb. 1 Trb. 2 Bar. Tba. Timp. Perc. 1 Perc. 2 Perc. 3 Mlts. 1 Hp.

Brightly!

p cresc. poco a poco

p cresc. poco a poco

Solo

S.D.

ff

p cresc. poco a poco

Cr. Cym.

Tri.

Solo

ff

Picc.
 Fl. 1
 Fl. 2 *p cresc. poco a poco*
 Ob. *mp cresc. poco a poco*
 Bsn. *mp*
 Cl. 1
 Cl. 2
 Cl. 3
 B. Cl. *p cresc. poco a poco*
 A. Sx. 1
 A. Sx. 2 *mp cresc. poco a poco*
 T. Sx. *mp cresc. poco a poco*
 B. Sx. *mp cresc. poco a poco*
 Tpt. 1
 Tpt. 2
 F Hn. 1
 Trb. 1 *p cresc. poco a poco*
 Trb. 2 *mp cresc. poco a poco*
 Bar. *mp cresc. poco a poco*
 Tba. *mp cresc. poco a poco*
 Timp. *cresc.*
 Perc. 1
 Perc. 2
 Perc. 3
 Mlts. 1
 Mlts. 2
 Bass *mp*
 Hp.

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Picc.

Fl. 1
Fl. 2

Ob.

Bsn.

Cl. 1

Cl. 2

B. Cl.

A. Sx.
T. Sx.

B. Sx.

Tpt. 1

Tpt. 2

F Hn. 1
F Hn. 2

Trb. 1

Trb. 2

Bar.

Tba.

Timp.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Perc. 3

Mlts. 1
Mlts. 2

Bass

Hp.

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