

MUSIC FOR BRASS BAND

Full Score

PETER GRAHAM

Metropolis 1927

Instrumentation:

Brass Band, Offstage Dance Band

(Cornets 1,2, Trombone, Bass Eb, Xylophone and choke cymbal)

Percussion (4-5 players):

Timpani (hand-cranked siren)

Percussion (Hi-hat, Snare drum, Bongos (high and low),
Bass drum, Cymbal, Tam-tam (mallet and bowed), Bell tree,
Triangle, Sandpaper blocks

Xylophone

Vibraphone

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Composer's Note

Fritz Lang's 1927 science fiction epic **Metropolis** is considered to be a masterpiece of cinematic vision and a high point of German Expressionist filmmaking. Set in a future dystopian world the film introduces the viewer to two contrasting communities living in the vast city of Metropolis. Those above ground live a life of privilege and pleasure serviced by the underground-dwelling drone workers whose role is to maintain and operate the banks of machines which provide the city's power.

Lang's film, which can be considered a type of 20th century morality play, draws upon a range of themes and influences from Marxist ideals and social satire to overt religious symbolism.

The music does not attempt to precis the plot, such as it is, but simply reflects my musical responses to Lang's noirish visual style and set designs – the brooding machine rooms, the decadent nightclubs, the gothic cathedral and so on – paradoxically a world of terrifying beauty.

Metropolis 1927 was commissioned by Bramwell Tovey and The National Youth Brass Band of Great Britain with funds provided by The Arts Council of England. The first performances took place in the Winter Gardens, Weston-super-Mare on Saturday 19th April and in the Cheltenham Town Hall on Sunday 20th April 2014.

This revised version was premiered by The Black Dyke Band, conductor Nicholas Childs, at the 38th European Brass Band Championships in the Konzerthaus Freiburg, Germany, on Saturday 2 May 2015.

Peter Graham

About the Composer

Born in Scotland, Peter Graham read music at Edinburgh and London Universities (Goldsmiths' College).

His music for brass and wind is performed across the globe, from China, Taiwan, Japan, Korea and Singapore in the Far East, across North and South America and in every major European country.

Awards include the American Bandmasters Association/Ostwald Award for Original Composition for Symphonic Winds and the Iles Medal of the Worshipful Company of Musicians

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(duration c. 15 minutes)

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Meccanico ♩ = 136

Soprano Cornet

I.2.

3.4.

Repiano Cornet

2nd Cornet

3rd Cornet

Flugel

Solo Horn

1st Horn

2nd Horn

1st Baritone

2nd Baritone

1st Trombone

2nd Trombone

Bass Trombone

Euphonium

E♭ Bass

B♭ Bass

Timpani

Percussion

Xylophone

Vibraphone

7

Sop. Cnt. *mp* cresc. *f* *mf* *ff*

Solo Cnt. *mp* cresc. *f* *mf* *ff*

Rep. Cnt. cresc. *f* *mf* *ff*

2nd Cnt. cresc. *f* *ff*

3rd Cnt. cresc. *f* *ff*

Flug. cresc. *f* *mf*

Solo Hn. cresc. *f* *mf*

Ist Hn. cresc. *f* *mf*

2nd Hn. cresc. *f* *mf*

1st Bar. cresc. *f* *mf* *ff*

2nd Bar. cresc. *f* *mf* *ff*

Ist Tbn. cresc. *f* *ff*

2nd Tbn. cresc. *f* *ff*

B. Tbn. cresc. *f* *ff*

Euph. cresc. *f* *mf* *ff*

E \flat Bass. cresc. *f* *mf* *ff*

B \flat Bass. cresc. *f* *mf* *ff*

Timp. cresc. *ff* rim.

Perc. *ff* *ff*

Glock. cresc. *f* *mf* *ff*

Vib. cresc. *f* *mf* *ff*

A

12

Sop. Cnt. dim. *p*

Solo Cnt. dim. *p*

Rep. Cnt. dim. *p*

2nd Cnt. dim. *p*

3rd Cnt. dim. *p*

Flug.

Solo Hn. *mf*

Ist Hn. *mf*

2nd Hn. *mf*

Ist Bar. *mf*

2nd Bar.

Ist Tbn.

2nd Tbn.

B. Tbn.

Eup. *mf*

E♭ Bass

B♭ Bass

Timp.

Perc.

Glock. dim. *mp*
dim. *mp*

Vib. dim. *mp*

46

Sop. Cnt. (2 + 2 + 2 + 2) (Optional) (2 + 2 + 2 + 2)

Solo Cnt. (3 + 2 + 2) f

Rep. Cnt. f

2nd Cnt.

3rd Cnt.

Flug. mf

Solo Hn. mf

Ist Hn. mf

2nd Hn. mf

Ist Bar.

2nd Bar.

Ist Tbn. (mf)

2nd Tbn. (mf)

B. Tbn. (mf)

Eup.

(Alternate I and 2) 2. sim.

E♭ Bass (Alternate I and 2) 2. sim.

B♭ Bass

Timp.

Perc. Bongos (mf)

Glock.

Vib. Ped.

59

Sop. Cnt. Solo Cnt. Rep. Cnt. 2nd Cnt. 3rd Cnt. Flug. Solo Hn. Ist Hn. 2nd Hn. 1st Bar. 2nd Bar. 1st Tbn. 2nd Tbn. B. Tbn. Euph. Eb Bass Bb Bass Timp. Perc. Glock. Vib.

mp cresc. *gliss.* *mp* cresc. *To Cym.*

(2 + 2 + 2 + 2)

E

Sop. Cnt.

Solo Cnt.

Rep. Cnt.

2nd Cnt.

3rd Cnt.

Flug.

Solo Hn.

Ist Hn.

2nd Hn.

1st Bar.

2nd Bar.

1st Tbn.

2nd Tbn.

B. Tbn.

Eup.

Eb Bass

Bb Bass

Timp.

Cym.

To Bongos

Perc.

Glock.

To Glock.

Vib.

F

69 (2 + 2 + 2 + 3)

Sop. Cnt. f

Solo Cnt. Solo (lip) tr. *tr.* *tr.*

Rep. Cnt. f

2nd Cnt. f

3rd Cnt. f

Flug. dim. p

Solo Hn. dim. p

1st Hn. dim. p

2nd Hn. dim. p

1st Bar.

2nd Bar.

1st Tbn.

2nd Tbn.

B. Tbn. *f* dim. p

Eup. *f* dim. p

E♭ Bass *f* dim. p

B♭ Bass *f* dim. p

Tim. *f* dim.

Perc. Bongos *mf*

Glock.

Vib. dim. p

74

Sop. Cnt.

Solo Cnt. *tr.* *f*

Rep. Cnt. *f* *tr.*

2nd Cnt.

3rd Cnt.

Flug.

Solo Hn.

1st Hn.

2nd Hn.

1st Bar. *p*

2nd Bar. *p*

1st Tbn.

2nd Tbn.

B.Tbn.

Euph.

E \flat Bass

B \flat Bass

Timp.

Perc.

Glock. *f* *Glockenspiel* *To Xylophone*

Vib.

80 (2 + 2 + 2 + 3)

Sop. Cnt.

Solo Cnt.

Rep. Cnt.

2nd Cnt.

3rd Cnt.

Flug.

Solo Hn.

Ist Hn.

2nd Hn.

Ist Bar.

2nd Bar.

1st Tbn.

2nd Tbn.

B. Tbn.

Euph.

Eb Bass

Bb Bass

Timp.

Perc.

Xyl.

Vib.

G

85

Sop. Cnt.

Solo Cnt.

Rep. Cnt.

2nd Cnt.

3rd Cnt.

Flug.

Solo Hn.

1st Hn.

2nd Hn.

1st Bar.

2nd Bar.

1st Tbn.

2nd Tbn.

B.Tbn.

Eup.

E \flat Bass

B \flat Bass

Timp.

Perc.

Xyl.

Vib.

p

f dim.

Non solo >

f dim.

f dim.

f dim.

p

f dim.

f dim.

p

p

(lip) tr.

b.

p

sl. (optional)

(optional)

8va (optional)

2.

f dim.

f dim.

p

Xylophone

p

102

Sop. Cnt.

Solo Cnt.

Rep. Cnt.

2nd Cnt.

3rd Cnt.

Flug.

Solo Hn.

1st Hn.

2nd Hn.

1st Bar.

2nd Bar.

1st Tbn.

2nd Tbn.

B. Tbn.

Euph.

E \flat Bass

B \flat Bass

Timp.

Xyl.

Vib.

105

I

Sop. Cnt.

Solo Cnt.

Rep. Cnt.

2nd Cnt.

3rd Cnt.

Flug.

Solo Hn.

Ist Hn.

2nd Hn.

1st Bar.

2nd Bar.

1st Tbn.

2nd Tbn.

B. Tbn.

Eup.

Eb Bass

Bb Bass

Timp.

Perc.

Xyl.

Vib.

Cym.
To Bongos

To Bongos

Iunga J Meno mosso $\text{♩} = 60$

110

Sop. Cnt.
Solo Cnt.
Rep. Cnt.
2nd Cnt.
3rd Cnt.

Flug.

Solo Hn.
1st Hn.
2nd Hn.

1st Bar.
2nd Bar.

1st Tbn.
2nd Tbn.
B.Tbn.

Eup.
E♭ Bass
B♭ Bass

Timp.

Bongos
Xyl.
Vib.

lunga J

Meno mosso $\text{♩} = 60$

ff *ff* *ff* *ff*

ff *mp dim.* *p*

ff *gliss.* *ff*

ff *gliss.* *ff*

bassoon *ff*

ff *mp dim.* *p*

ff *mp dim.* *p*

ff *mf* with increasing intensity *3*

To hand crank siren Siren *gliss.* *gliss.*

To timp.

Bongos Tam-tam Bow edge of tam-tam

mf < f *mp*

123 *silent.* **Tempo primo** $\text{♩} = 136$

Sop. Cnt. Solo Cnt. Rep. Cnt. 2nd Cnt. 3rd Cnt.

Flug. Solo Hn. 1st Hn. 2nd Hn. 1st Bar. 2nd Bar.

Ist Tbn. 2nd Tbn. B.Tbn.

Eup. Eb Bass. Bb Bass. Timp.

Perc. Xyl. Vib.

N

141

Sop. Cnt.

Solo Cnt.

Rep. Cnt.

2nd Cnt.

3rd Cnt.

Flug.

Solo Hn.

1st Hn.

2nd Hn.

1st Bar.

2nd Bar.

1st Tbn.

2nd Tbn.

B.Tbn.

Euph.

Eb Bass.

Bb Bass.

Timp.

Perc.

Xyl.

Vib.

P

161

Sop. Cnt. ff mf ff ff f

Solo Cnt. ff mf ff ff f

Rep. Cnt. ff ff f

2nd Cnt. ff f

3rd Cnt. ff f

Flug. ff mf ff f

Solo Hn. ff mf ff f

Ist Hn. ff mf ff f

2nd Hn. ff mf ff f

1st Bar. ff mf ff f

2nd Bar. ff mf ff f

1st Tbn. ff ff f

2nd Tbn. ff ff f

B. Tbn. ff f

Eup. ff mf ff mf f

Eb Bass ff mf ff f

Bb Bass ff mf ff f

Timp. ff Rim f

Perc. ff

Xyl. mf ff f

Vib. mf ff f

Q **Misterioso** $\text{♩} = 66$

lunga Muted

R

Sop. Cnt.

Solo Cnt.

Rep. Cnt.

2nd Cnt.

3rd Cnt.

Flug.

Solo Hn.

1st Hn.

2nd Hn.

1st Bar.

2nd Bar.

1st Tbn.

2nd Tbn.

B.Tbn.

Euph.

E♭ Bass

B♭ Bass

Timp.

Perc.

Xyl.

Vib.

Solo (alla cadenza ad lib.)

p

ped.

Tam-tam **Bell tree**

f **l.v.** **mp**

gloss.

To B.D.

l.v.

ped.

ped.

173

Sop. Cnt.

Solo Cnt.

Rep. Cnt.

2nd Cnt.

3rd Cnt.

Flug. *mf*

Solo Hn.

Ist Hn.

2nd Hn.

Ist Bar.

2nd Bar.

1st Tbn.

2nd Tbn.

B. Tbn.

Eup.

E♭ Bass

B♭ Bass

Timp. *mp subito*

Perc.

Xyl.

Vib. *roll*

182 **U Molto cantabile e espressivo** $\text{♩} = 63$

Sop. Cnt.

Solo Cnt. Solo open (with Euphonium)
mf

Rep. Cnt.

2nd Cnt.

3rd Cnt.

Flug.

Solo Hn.

Ist Hn. *mp*

2nd Hn. *mp*

Ist Bar.

2nd Bar.

Ist Tbn. *mp*

2nd Tbn. *mp*

B. Tbn.

Eup.

E♭ Bass Both
mp

B♭ Bass Both
mp

Timp.

B. D. To Tri.

Xyl.

Vib. Motor on
f
Ped.

209 **slent.** **Z In modo religioso** $\downarrow = 60$

Sop. Cnt. - - - 3 - 3 - 3
 Solo Cnt. - - - 3 - 3 - 3
 Rep. Cnt. - Open (solo) - - 3 - 3 - 3
 2nd Cnt. - *mf* *p* - 3 - 3 - 3
 l. open
 3rd Cnt. - *mf* *p* - 3 - 3 - 3
 Flug. - - - Solo - - - -
mf espress. - - - - - - -
 3
 Solo Hn. - - - *p* - 3 - 3
 3
 Ist Hn. - - - *p* - 3 - 3
 3
 2nd Hn. - - - *p* - 3 - 3
 3
 Ist Bar. - - - 3 - 3 - 3
 3
 2nd Bar. - - - 3 - 3 - 3
 3
 Ist Tbn. - - - *mf* *p* - - -
 3
 2nd Tbn. - - - *p* - 3 - 3
 3
 B. Tbn. - - - *mf* *p* - - -
 3
 2.
 Euph. - - - *p* - 3 - 3
 3
 Eb Bass - - - *p* - 3 - 3
 3
 Bb Bass - - - *p* - 3 - 3
 3
 Timp. - - - 3 - 3 - 3
 3
 B. D. - - - *p* - 3 - 3
 L.V.
 Xyl. - - - 3 - 3 - 3
 3
 Vib. - - - 3 - 3 - 3
 3

225

Sop. Cnt. Gradually remove mute

Solo Cnt. cresc. (Open non solo)

Rep. Cnt. *ppp* cresc. Both (2. gradually remove mute)

2nd Cnt. cresc. Both gradually remove mute

3rd Cnt. cresc.

Flug. Gradually remove mute

Solo Hn. cresc. Gradually remove mute

Ist Hn. cresc. Gradually remove mute

2nd Hn. cresc. Gradually remove mute

Ist Bar. cresc. Gradually remove mute

2nd Bar. cresc. Gradually remove mute

Ist Tbn. -

2nd Tbn. -

B. Tbn. -

Eup. Gradually remove mutes

E♭ Bass cresc.

B♭ Bass cresc.

Tim. -

Xyl. -

Vib. *rall.*

Non solo open

All open

cresc.

Both open

Both open

Open

Open

Open

Open

p cresc.

p cresc.

p cresc.

Open

BB 230 **rall.**

CC **Misterioso** $\text{♩} = 66$

Sop. Cnt. **Muted** **pp**

Solo Cnt. **Muted** **pp** **Muted** **pp**

To offstage position
(see offstage part)

Rep. Cnt. One to offstage position
(see offstage part)

2nd Cnt. One muted **pp** **Muted**

3rd Cnt. **pp**

Solo (with Baritone) **mf**

Flug. Solo (with Flugel Horn) **mf**

Solo Hn.

Ist Hn.

2nd Hn.

1st Bar. **mf**

2nd Bar.

Ist Tbn. **Muted** **pp**

To offstage position

2nd Tbn.

B. Tbn.

Eup.

mp **subito**

One to offstage position

E♭ Bass

mp **subito**

B♭ Bass

mp **subito**

8th

Tim.

To offstage position

Xyl.

Motor off

Vib. **p** **Ré**

Small dance band in the distance (as if on a wind-up gramophone)

1920's dance style $\text{♩} = 132$ (double tempo)

Muted (harmon, tube extended)

Cornets 1, 2

Trombone

Bass Eb

Xylophone 2

Sop. Cnt.

Solo Cnt.

Rep. Cnt.

2nd Cnt.

3rd Cnt.

Flug.

Solo Hn.

1st Hn.

2nd Hn.

1st Bar.

2nd Bar.

1st Tbn.

2nd Tbn.

B. Tbn.

Eup.

E♭ Bass

B♭ Bass

Timp.

B. D.

Vib.

Rub sandpaper blocks to simulate gramophone record rotation

(pop) sim.

+ choked cymbal

* (at end of vib. part)

241

Sop. Cnt.

Solo Cnt.

Rep. Cnt.

2nd Cnt.

3rd Cnt.

Flug.

Solo Hn.

Ist Hn.

2nd Hn.

1st Bar.

2nd Bar.

1st Tbn.

2nd Tbn.

B.Tbn.

Eup.

E♭ Bass

B♭ Bass

Tim.

Perc.

Xyl.

Vib.

Meccanico (tempo primo) $\text{♩} = 136$

niente

niente

niente

niente

niente

mp

mp

Open

mp

Open

mp

mf

mf

mf

GG

263

Sop. Cnt. *ff* dim. *p*

Solo Cnt. *ff* dim. *p*

Rep. Cnt. *ff* dim. *p*

2nd Cnt. *ff* dim. *p*

3rd Cnt. *ff* dim. *p*

Flug.

Solo Hn. *mf*

1st Hn. *mf*

2nd Hn. *mf*

1st Bar. *ff* *mf*

2nd Bar. *ff*

1st Tbn. *ff*

2nd Tbn. *ff*

B. Tbn. *ff*

Eup.

E♭ Bass *ff*

B♭ Bass *ff*

Tim.

Perc. *ff* dim. *mp*

Xyl. *ff* dim. *mp*

Vib. *ff* dim. *mp*

297 (2 + 2 + 3 + 3) (2 + 2 + 2 + 2)

Sop. Cnt. Solo Cnt. Rep. Cnt. 2nd Cnt. 3rd Cnt. Flug. Solo Hn. Ist Hn. 2nd Hn. Ist Bar. 2nd Bar. Ist Tbn. 2nd Tbn. B.Tbn. Eup. Eb Bass Bb Bass Timp. Perc. Xyl. Vib.

Perc. *Bongos* *mf*

Xyl. *mf*

Vib. *mf*

Reed

MM

331

Sop. Cnt.

Solo Cnt.

Rep. Cnt.

2nd Cnt.

3rd Cnt.

Flug.

Solo Hn.

1st Hn.

2nd Hn.

1st Bar.

2nd Bar.

1st Tbn.

2nd Tbn.

B. Tbn.

Euph.

E♭ Bass

B♭ Bass

Timp.

Perc.

Xyl.

Vib.

NN Brillante

335

Sop. Cnt.

Solo Cnt.

Rep. Cnt.

2nd Cnt.

3rd Cnt.

Flug.

Solo Hn.

Ist Hn.

2nd Hn.

1st Bar.

2nd Bar.

Ist Tbn.

2nd Tbn.

B.Tbn.

Eup.

Eb Bass.

Bb Bass.

Timp.

Perc.

Xyl.

Vib.

339

Sop. Cnt.

Solo Cnt. *con brio*

Rep. Cnt. *con brio*

2nd Cnt. *con brio*

3rd Cnt. *con brio*

Flug.

Solo Hn.

Ist Hn.

2nd Hn.

1st Bar.

2nd Bar.

1st Tbn. *con brio*

2nd Tbn. *con brio*

B.Tbn.

Eup.

Eb Bass

Bb Bass

Timp.

Perc.

Xyl.

Vib.

Pesante ♩ = 108

354

Sop. Cnt.

Solo Cnt.

Rep. Cnt.

2nd Cnt.

3rd Cnt.

Flug.

Solo Hn.

1st Hn.

2nd Hn.

1st Bar.

2nd Bar.

1st Tbn.

2nd Tbn.

B. Tbn.

Euph.

E♭ Bass

B♭ Bass

Timp.

Perc.

Xyl.

Vib.

366

lunga

Sop. Cnt.

Solo Cnt.

Rep. Cnt.

2nd Cnt.

3rd Cnt.

Flug.

Solo Hn.

1st Hn.

2nd Hn.

1st Bar.

2nd Bar.

1st Tbn.

2nd Tbn.

B.Tbn.

Euph.

Eb Bass.

Bb Bass.

Timp.

Perc.

Xyl.

Vib.

ff

(choke)

Tam-tam