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# Dance Poem

*...and the morning stars sang together*

*...and all the sons of God shouted for joy*

Job

By

**Leroy Osmon**  
**(ASCAP)**

*Commissioned by and dedicated to Doerre Intermediate School Honor Band, Klein, Texas,  
Susan Scarborough, conductor, for the  
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# DANCE POEM

## INSTRUMENTATION

- 1 Full Score
- 1 Piccolo
- 6 Flute
- 2 Oboe
- 2 Bassoon
- 4 Clarinet 1
- 4 Clarinet 2
- 4 Alto Saxophone
- 2 Tenor Saxophone
- 1 Baritone Saxophone
- 4 Trumpet 1
- 4 Trumpet 2
- 4 F Horn 1&2
- 6 Trombone 1&2
- 3 Euphonium BC
- 4 Tuba
- 1 Timpani
- 2 Percussion 1  
(Bells, Timpani, Crash Cym.)
- 2 Percussion 2  
(Triangle, Bass Drum, Sus. Cym.)
- 2 Percussion 3  
(Xylophone, Chromatic Pitch Pipe,, Temple Blocks)
- 2 Percussion 4  
(Vibraphone, Sus. Cym., Snare Drum)
- 2 Percussion 5  
(Marimba, High Hat, Snare Drum, Bongos)

## **Program notes:**

Dance Poem was commissioned by and is dedicated to the Doerre Intermediate School Honor Band (Klein, Texas), Susan Scarborough, conductor, for performance at the 2006 Midwest Band and Orchestra Clinic in Chicago, Ill. The work is a Grade III composition designed for performance by more advanced Middle/Intermediate school bands. However, the scoring is sophisticated and with the usage of multiple meter changes it would lend itself equally as well to high school or college students.

As with most of the “young band” works by composer Leroy Osmon the percussion section is treated in equal balance with the wind players, requiring Timpani and 5 multi-percussionists. Percussion instruments required are:

Percussion I: Bells, Inverted Cymbal placed on Timp., Crash Cymbal

Percussion II: Triangle, Bass Drum, Suspended Cymbal, Bell Tree

Percussion III: Xylophone, Chromatic Pitch Pipe, Metal Bowl placed on Timp., Temple Blocks

Percussion IV: Vibraphone, Suspended Cymbal, Snare Drum, Triangle

Percussion V: Marimba, High Hat, Snare Drum, Bongos

The Dance Poem is in two contrasting sections. It starts with textures that are representative of a line from the Book of Job; “...and the morning stars sang together”. The tempo is moderately slow and the chords are reminiscent of the French Impressionist School. The first trumpets enter from “off stage” – one stage left playing “open” and one stage right playing “muted”. The melodic material comes from a Lutheran hymn. Lutherans founded the community of Klein and the directors at Doerre wanted a musical connection to the past. Because it is from the past the composer wanted the sound to be equally distant (thus the placement off stage). The improvisational section (trumpet 2, horns, trombone, euphonium and tuba) should remain within the texture and not increase in tempo. The dynamic in the final three measures (41-43) increases with the rest of the ensemble. The over all mood is gentle, reflective and celestial throughout the first section, with the exception of measures 41 – 43. At this point the first trumpet and timpani should be the dominating sounds. After a brief pause (measure 44 with the first trumpet decrescendo) there is a return to the original mood of reflective repose.

The second section (“...and all the sons of God shouted for joy” – another line from the Book of Job), is very rhythmical. The bass line gives a feeling of continuously moving forward while the upper voices interject snippets of melodic material. The chords played by the horns, euphonium and trombones add a darker Stravinsky-esque sound and texture. All the while the excitement builds in a continuous altering of the meter from 4/4 to 7/8. Dance Poem ends with a musical “shout for joy”.

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# Dance Poem

**J = 72** .... and the morning stars sang together

**Leroy Osmon**  
ASCAP

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Piccolo

Flute

Oboe

Clarinet in B $\flat$  1

Clarinet in B $\flat$  2

Bass Clarinet

**Marimba cues**

Bassoon

**Marimba cues**

Alto Saxophone

Tenor Saxophone

Baritone Saxophone

$J = 72$

Trumpet in B $\flat$  1

Trumpet in B $\flat$  2

Horn in F 1 + 2

Euphonium

$a2$

$mp$

Trombone 1 + 2

**mute**

$a2$

$mf$

Tuba

$J = 72$

Timpani

Bells

$mp$

Percussion 1

Triangle

$mp$

Percussion 2

Xylo.

( $\alpha$ )

$mp$

Percussion 3

Vib.

$mp$

Percussion 4

$\alpha$

$mp$

Percussion 5

Marimba

$mf$

9

Picc.

Fl.

Ob.

B♭ Cl. 1

B♭ Cl. 2

B. Cl.

Bsn.

A. Sx.

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

9

B♭ Tpt. 1

B♭ Tpt. 2

Hn. 1 + 2

Euph.

Tbn. 1 + 2

Tba.

9

Tim.

Bells

Perc. 1

Tri.

Perc. 2

Xylo.

Perc. 3

Vib.

Perc. 4

Mar.

Perc. 5

A♭ to G

**Osmann: Dance Poem... Full conductor's score**

23

25

Picc.

Fl. *p*

Ob.

B♭ Cl. 1

B♭ Cl. 2 *div.*

B.Cl. *p*

Tuba cues *mp*

Bsn. *p*

A. Sx. *p*

T. Sx. *p*

B. Sx. Trombone cues *mp*

B♭ Tpt. 1

B♭ Tpt. 2

Hn. 1 + 2 *p*

Euph. *p*

Tbn. 1 + 2 *p*

Tba. *mp*

**23**

Tim. *Bells*

Perc. 1 *b*

Tri. *p*

Perc. 2 *p*

Chromatic Pitch Pipe

Perc. 3 *p* *pp* *ppp* *mp*

Vib. *p* *p* *p* *p* *p* *p* *p* *p*

Perc. 4 *p* *p* *p* *p* *p* *p* *p* *p*

Mar. opt. *Sus*

Perc. 5 *p* *p* *p* *p* *p* *p* *p* *p*

**30**

Picc. *dim.*

Fl. *mf*

Ob. *sfs*

B♭ Cl. 1 *mf*

B♭ Cl. 2 *sfs*

B.C. *p*

Bsn. *p*

A. Sx. *sfs*

T. Sx. *sfs*

B. Sx. *opt. 8va*

B♭ Tpt. 1 *dim.*

B♭ Tpt. 2 *sfs*

Hn. 1 + 2 *sfs*

Euph. *sfs*

Tbn. 1 + 2 *sfs*

Tba. *sfs*

**30**

*poco rit.*

*In tempo*

*dim.*

*Return to stage*

*In tempo*

*legato*

*mp*

**30**

*poco rit.*

*In tempo*

Tim. *dim.*

Bells *sfs*

Perc. 1 *dim.*

Perc. 2 *Sus cym.*

Perc. 3 *Chromatic Pitch Pipe*

Perc. 4 *dim.*

Perc. 5 *Mar.*

Move to large Timpani

Place inverted cym. on Timp.  
Roll on cym. and ped. up and down.

Move to small Timpani

Place metal bowl ( pewter if possible )  
on Timp. and strike with mallet. Ped Timp. up  
and down.

*gently*

*pp* Ped. and motor

*pp* opt. 8va

Picc.

Fl.

Ob. *p*

B♭ Cl. 1

B♭ Cl. 2

B.Cl.

Bsn.

A. Sx.

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

*cresc.*

B♭ Tpt. 1 *div. legato*

B♭ Tpt. 2

Hn. 1 + 2 *legato* *mp*

Euph. *legato* *mp*

Tbn. 1 + 2

Tba. *legato* *mp*

*Repeat at random independently*

*cresc.*

*cresc.*

*cresc.*

*cresc.*

*cresc.*

*cresc.*

Tim.

Inverted cym. on Timp.

Perc. 1

Sus cym.

Perc. 2

Bowl on small Timp. *mf*

Perc. 3 *mf*

Vib.

Perc. 4

Mar.

Perc. 5 *opt. (8th)*

*cresc.*

*mp cresc. to Bell tree*

*cresc.*

*cresc.*

*cresc.*

*cresc.*

*cresc.*

**Osmon: Dance Poem... Full conductor's score**

42

poco rit.

1

**48**  $\downarrow \text{b} \text{p}$  ...and all the sons of  
God shouted for joy

Picc.

Fl.

Ob.

B♭ Cl. 1

B♭ Cl. 2

B.Clt.

Bsn.

A. Sx.

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

B♭ Tpt. 1

B♭ Tpt. 2

Hn. 1 + 2

Euph.

Tbn. 1 + 2

Tba.

Timp.

Inverted cym. on Timp.

Perc. 1

Sus cym.

Perc. 2

Bowl on small Timp.

Perc. 3

Vib.

Perc. 4

Mar.

Perc. 5

*God Shouted for Joy*

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Picc.

Fl.

Ob.

B♭ Cl. 1

B♭ Cl. 2

B.Clar.

Bsn.

A. Sx.

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

49

B♭ Tpt. 1

B♭ Tpt. 2

Hn. 1+2

Euph.

Tbn. 1+2

Tba.

49

Tim.

Bells

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Xylo.

Perc. 3

Vib.

Perc. 4

High Hat  
(closed)

Perc. 5



61

Pic.

Fl.

Ob.

B♭ Cl. 1

B♭ Cl. 2

B. Cl.

Bsn.

A. Sx.

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

B♭ Tpt. 1

B♭ Tpt. 2

Hn. 1 + 2

Euph.

Tbn. 1 + 2

Tba.

Bsn. cues

61

Tim.

Crash Cym. L. V. to Bells

Perc. 1

B. Dr. L. V.

Perc. 2

Xylo. f to Temple Blocks

Perc. 3

Sus cym.

Perc. 4

Sn. Dr. to Bongos (with Sn. Dr. sticks)

Perc. 5

67

Picc.

Fl. *legato*

Ob. *legato*

B♭ Cl. 1 *legato*

B♭ Cl. 2 *legato*

B.Cl.

Bsn.

A. Sx.

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

67

B♭ Tpt. 1

B♭ Tpt. 2

Hn. 1 + 2

Euph.

Tbn. 1 + 2

Tba.

67

Timp.

Perc. 1

B. Dr.

Perc. 2

Temple Blocks

Perc. 3

Perc. 4

Bongos

Perc. 5

mute

f

mute

f

to Crash Cym.

to Sn. Dr.

73

Picc.

Fl.

Ob.

B♭ Cl. 1

B♭ Cl. 2

B.C. cl.

Bsn.

A. Sx.

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

B♭ Tpt. 1

B♭ Tpt. 2

Hn. 1 + 2

Euph.

Tbn. 1 + 2

Tba.

73

open

open

F E♭ C B♭

C to D♭

Tim.

Crash Cym.

Perc. 1

B. Dr.

Perc. 2

Temple Blocks

Perc. 3

Perc. 4

Bongos

Perc. 5

79

poco rit. Slower  $\text{J}=104 - 100$

Picc.

Fl.

Ob.

B♭ Cl. 1

B♭ Cl. 2

B.Cl.

Bsn.

A. Sx.

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

B♭ Tpt. 1

B♭ Tpt. 2

Hn. 1 + 2

Euph.

Tbn. 1 + 2

Tba.

79

poco rit. Slower  $\text{J}=104 - 100$

B♭ Tpt. 1

B♭ Tpt. 2

Hn. 1 + 2

Euph.

Tbn. 1 + 2

Tba.

79

poco rit. Slower  $\text{J}=104 - 100$

Tim.

Crash Cym.

Perc. 1

B. Dr.

Perc. 2

Perc. 3

Sn. Dr.

Perc. 4

High Hat (closed)

Perc. 5

86

Picc.

Fl.

Ob.

B♭ Cl. 1

B♭ Cl. 2

B.Cl.

Bsn.

A. Sx.

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

B♭ Tpt. 1

B♭ Tpt. 2

Hn. 1 + 2

Euph.

Tbn. 1 + 2

Tbu.

Tim.

Perc. 1

B. Dr.

Perc. 2

dim.

div.

dim.

D♭ to D♯

Xylo.

Sn. Dr.

Perc. 3

dim.

Perc. 4

High Hat  
(closed)

Perc. 5

**poco rit. Allegro**

Picc. *ff*

Fl. *ff*

Ob. *ff*

B♭ Cl. 1 *ff*

B♭ Cl. 2 *ff*

B.Cl.

Bsn. *f*

A. Sx. *ff*

T. Sx. *ff*

B. Sx.

**poco rit. Allegro**

B♭ Tpt. 1 *ff*

B♭ Tpt. 2 *ff*

Hn. 1 + 2 *ff*

Euph.

Tbn. 1 + 2 *ff*

Tba.

**poco rit.** **F C B♭**

Tim. *ff*

Perc. 1

B. Dr.

Perc. 2

Xylo. *ff*

Perc. 3

Sn. Dr.

Perc. 4

Perc. 5 *ff*

to Marimba

100

Picc.

Fl.

Ob.

B♭ Cl. 1

B♭ Cl. 2

B.Cl.

div.

Bsn.

A. Sx.

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

100

B♭ Tpt. 1

B♭ Tpt. 2

div.

Hn. 1 + 2

Euph.

Tbn. 1 + 2

Tba.

100

Tim.

Crash Cym.

choke

L. V.

Perc. 1

B. Dr.

Perc. 2

Xylo.

Perc. 3

Sn. Dr.

R.S.

Perc. 4

Mar.

Perc. 5

## Ganon: Dance Poem... Full conductor's score

**106**

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

**109**

B♭ Tpt. 1  
B♭ Tpt. 2  
Hn. 1 + 2  
Euph.  
Tbn. 1 + 2  
Tba.

**106**

Tim.  
Crash Cym.  
choke  
L.V.  
choke

Perc. 1  
B. Dr.

Perc. 2

Xylo.

Perc. 3

Tri.  
to Sn. Dr.  
Sn. Dr.

Perc. 4

Mar.

Perc. 5