

Drive

for saxophone quartet

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Drive

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I. Sunset Street

II. Where the Other Road Leads

III. A Strange Familiarity

IV. Floor It

Duration: ca. 9:30

I. ca. 2:30

II. ca. 2:15

III. ca. 2:15

IV. ca. 2:30

Notes

The slap-tongue in the second movement is intended to be percussive in nature, and while pitch is notated, its clarity is not important. All slap-tongues in the fourth movement are intended to have a clear pitch.

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About the Piece

Drive is a series of miniatures each inspired in some way by my experiences with (and love of) driving. Since I first learned to drive as a teenager, it has been one of my favorite things to do. It gives me a sense of freedom that leaves me refreshed and invigorated like nothing else. It is this positivity that is musically reflected in each of the movements of *Drive*.

Sunset Street begins with calm reflection. There is a road in my home town that I like to drive on when I am seeking to clear my head or relax. I will take it east from my house all the way to its end several miles away, and then travel west back home. If I leave at the right time of evening, I can see the sunset cascade in its full glory as I drive west.

Where the Other Road Leads begins with wonder and imagination. I am a natural navigator; before I ever drove, I knew most roads of my hometown like the back of my hand. As a driver, I took the challenge of searching for the places I'd never seen and traveling the roads I'd never traveled. Often, I would find myself choosing between one path or another, and having to choose only one, would inevitably think about the road I had not taken, and whether perhaps it would have taken me to a new, exciting destination that I had not yet seen.

A Strange Familiarity begins with the spark of memory. Once, I took a drive down a turnpike to reach a destination quite far south of my home. This turnpike is one I am familiar with, though I had never before driven this far on this road. My surroundings were quite new to me, until I reached an underpass that I felt strongly was incredibly familiar. This place is too far away from my home that I could find any reason that I might have seen it in the past—and yet, I could swear that I have seen that underpass in a dream before.

Floor It begins with a blaring car horn and intense acceleration. The title is a common idiom, but one that I particularly appreciate. As my parents taught me how to drive, I would joke with them and respond to their teachings by saying “okay, so... floor it, right?” The final movement of *Drive* closes the work with this attitude; a mood of humor and positivity. It is a celebration of driving and my love for it. It is a joyride at a high speed, with just a little bit of a sense that it could go careening off the road at any moment.

About the Composer

Harrison J. Collins (b. 1999) began composing at the young age of fourteen. Since then, he has made a name for himself across the United States as a skilled composer. He combines his musical studies in academic settings with years of self-teaching and a strong intuition to write music that challenges and connects to performers and listeners alike.

His works for wind ensemble and orchestra are published by Grand Mesa Music Publishers, C. Alan Publications, and Ars Nova Music. He is a winner of numerous composition competitions, including the Dallas Winds Fanfare Competition, the National Young Composers Challenge, the Austin Symphony Orchestra's Texas Young Composers Competition, and multiple Fifteen Minutes of Fame competitions held by Vox Novus- including one in which his work was selected for performance by the acclaimed West Point Band.

Harrison currently studies at Illinois State University with Dr. Roy Magnuson and Dr. Roger Zare, where he is seeking a degree in music composition and music education.

Drive

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I. Sunset Street

Transposed Score

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Reflective, relaxed $\text{♩} = 72$

First system of the score, measures 1 through 5. The Soprano Saxophone part is active, starting with a *ppp* dynamic and moving through *p* and *f* dynamics. The Alto, Tenor, and Baritone Saxophones are silent in this system.

Soprano Saxophone: *ppp*, *p*, *f*, *p*

Alto Saxophone: -

Tenor Saxophone: -

Baritone Saxophone: -

Second system of the score, measures 6 through 9. All four saxophone parts enter in measure 6. The dynamics follow the same pattern as the first system: *ppp*, *p*, *f*, and *p*. Measure 9 contains triplets in all parts.

Soprano Saxophone: *ppp*, *p*, *f*, *p*

Alto Saxophone: *ppp*, *p*, *f*, *p*

Tenor Saxophone: *ppp*, *p*, *f*, *p*

Baritone Saxophone: *ppp*, *p*, *f*, *p*

Third system of the score, measures 10 through 14. Measure 10 includes a *rit.* (ritardando) marking. Measure 13 includes an **13** A tempo marking. The dynamics vary, including *mf*, *pp*, and *mp*. Measure 14 features triplets in the Alto, Tenor, and Baritone parts.

Soprano Saxophone: *mf*, *pp*

Alto Saxophone: *ppp*, *p*, *pp*, *p*

Tenor Saxophone: *ppp*, *p*, *mp*

Baritone Saxophone: *ppp*, *p*, *mp*

- Drive - I. Sunset Street -

2 15 16 17

S *p* *mp* *p* *3*

A *mp* *p* *mf* *3*

T *p* *mp* *p*

B *p* *mp* *p*

18 19

S *mf* *p* *3*

A *p* *f* *3*

T *mf* *p*

B *mf* *p*

20 21 22

S *f* *p* *ff* *ff*

A *p* *ff* *ff*

T *f* *p* *ff* *ff*

B *f* *p* *ff* *ff*

23 24 25 26

S *f* *fp* *ppp* *p*

A *f* *ff* *ppp* *p*

T *f* *ff* *ppp* *p*

B *f* *ff* *ppp* *p*

27 28 29 30

S *f* *ff* *p* *ff* *ppp*

A *f* *ff* *p* *ff* *ppp*

T *f* *ff* *p* *ff* *ppp*

B *f* *ff* *p* *ff* *ppp*

31 32 33 rit. 34 35

S *f* *ppp* *f* *ppp*

A *f* *ppp* *mp* *p* *pp* *ppp*

T *ppp* *f* *ppp*

B *ppp* *f* *ppp* *p* *pp* *ppp*

II. Where the Other Road Leads

Transposed Score

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Moving urgently, but with a smile ♩ = 144

2 3 4 5

Soprano Saxophone

Alto Saxophone

Tenor Saxophone

Baritone Saxophone

mf *f* *f* *p* *f* *p* *mf*

6 7 8 9 10

Soprano (S): *f*, *mf*, *f*

Alto (A): *f*, *p*, *f*, *p*

Tenor (T): *f*, *p*, *f*, *p*

Bass (B): *f*, *p*, *f*, *p*

A musical score for four vocal parts: Soprano (S), Alto (A), Tenor (T), and Bass (B). The score consists of five measures, numbered 11 through 15 at the top. Each measure has a time signature below it: 4/4, 3/4, 3/4, 4/4, and 3/4 respectively. The key signature is one sharp (F#). The Soprano part features melodic lines with various ornaments like grace notes and slurs. Dynamics include *fp*, *f*, and *p*. The Alto, Tenor, and Bass parts provide harmonic support with chords and single notes, also marked with dynamics like *f* and *p*. A large blue watermark "PrepSheetMusic.com" is visible across the page.

- Drive - II. Where the Other Road Leads -

5

16 17 18 19

S

A

T

B

f *mf* *mf*

20 21 22 23

S

A

T

B

f *mf* *f* *mf*

24 25 26 27

S

A

T

B

fp *f* *fp* *f* *f* *mf*

- Drive - II. Where the Other Road Leads -

6

28

29

30

31

32

33

34

35

36

37

38

39

40

Soprano (S):

- Measures 28-31: Rest, then eighth-note runs with dynamics *p*, *f*, *mf*.
- Measures 32-35: Half-note and quarter-note lines with dynamics *f*, *mf*, *f*, *ff*.
- Measures 36-40: Quarter-note lines with dynamics *pp*, *mf*, *ff*.

Alto (A):

- Measures 28-31: Rest, then eighth-note runs with dynamics *p*, *f*, *mf*, *f*, *mf*.
- Measures 32-35: Eighth-note runs with dynamics *f*, *mf*, *f*, *p*, *mf*, *ff*.
- Measures 36-40: Eighth-note runs with dynamics *pp*, *mf*, *ff*.

Tenor (T):

- Measures 28-31: Eighth-note runs with dynamics *f*, *p*, *f*, *mf*.
- Measures 32-35: Eighth-note runs with dynamics *f*, *mf*, *f*, *p*, *mf*, *ff*.
- Measures 36-40: Quarter-note lines with dynamics *pp*, *mf*, *ff*.

Bass (B):

- Measures 28-31: Eighth-note runs with dynamics *f*, *p*, *f*, *mf*.
- Measures 32-35: Half-note and quarter-note lines with dynamics *f*, *mf*, *f*, *p*, *mf*, *ff*.
- Measures 36-40: Quarter-note lines with dynamics *pp*, *mf*, *ff*.

Dynamic markings: *p* (piano), *f* (forte), *mf* (mezzo-forte), *ff* (fortissimo), *pp* (pianissimo).

41 42 43 44 45 46

S *pp* *ff* *pp* *pp* *pp* *p*

A *pp* *ff* *pp* *pp* *pp* *p*

T *pp* *ff* *pp* *pp* *pp* *pp*

B *pp* *ff* *pp* *pp* *pp* *f*

47 48 49 50 51

S *pp* *p* *pp*

A *pp* *pp* *pp* *pp* *pp*

T *pp* *pp* *pp* *pp* *pp*

B *pp* *pp* *pp* *pp* *pp*

ff *f*

52 53 54 55 56

S *p* *pp* *mf* *pp* *mf*

A *mp* *p* *mf* *pp* *mf*

T *p* *mf > p* *mf* *mf* *mf*

B *mp* *mf > p* *mf* *mf* *mf*

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8

57 58 59 60

S *f* *pp* *f*

A *f* *pp* *f*

T *f* *p* *f*

B *f* *p* *f*

61 62 63 64

S *fp* *ff*

A *p* *ff*

T *p* *ff*

B *p* *ff*

65 66 67 68 69

S

A

T *f*

B *f*

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9

70 71 72 73 74

S *fp* *ff*

A *fp* *ff* 3

T *ff* *f* *ff*

B *ff* *f* *ff* *ff*

75 76 77 78

S *mf* *ff* *mf* *fp*

A *mf* *ff* *mf* *fp*

T *mf* *ff* *mf* *ff*

B *mf* *ff* *mf* *ff*

79 80 81 82

S *ff* *pp* *mf*

A *ff* *pp* *mf*

T *pp* *mf* *ff*

B *pp* *mf* *ff*

- Drive - II. Where the Other Road Leads -

10

83

S

A

T

B

ff

ff

ff

ff

84

85

fff

86

slap tongue

fff

f

slap tongue

fp

slap tongue

fp

slap tongue

ff

f

87

88

89

90

S

A

T

B

pp

p

fff

fff

fff

fff

ffz

p

fff

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Enraptured ♪ = 92

2 3 4 5

Soprano Saxophone

Alto Saxophone

Tenor Saxophone

Baritone Saxophone

6 7 8 9

S

A

T

B

10 11 12 13

poco rit.

mf

mp

p

ppp

f

- Drive - III. A Strange Familiarity -

12

16 Fondly remembering ♩ = 72

14 15 17 18

S *p* *ppp* *pp* *ppp* *pp* *p*

A *ppp* *pp* *ppp* *pp* *p*

T *pp* *mp*

B *pp* *3*

19 20 21 22 23 24

S *pp* *mp* *ppp*

A *pp* *mp* *ppp*

T *p* *ppp* *p*

B *ppp* *p*

25 26 27 ♩ = 92 28 29

S *f* *pp* *f*

A *f* *pp* *f*

T *pp* *ppp* *f*

B *pp* *ppp*

30

S *mf* *f*

A *mf* *f*

T *mf* *f* *ff*

B *p* *ff* *f*

31 32

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33 34 35

S *mf*

A *mf*

T *f*

B

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36 37 38

S *f* *ff* *p* *fff*

A *f* *ff* *p* *fff*

T *ff* *fff* *pp*

B *fff*

5/4 4/4

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- Drive - III. A Strange Familiarity -

14 39 ♩ = 72 **rit.** (♩ = 52) **A Tempo**

S
A
T
B

pp *p* *ff* *pp* *ppp*

pp *p* *ff* *pp* *ppp*

pp *ff* *pp* *ppp*

pp *ff* *pp* *ppp*

40 41 42 43 44

3

IV. Floor It

15

Transposed Score

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Euphoric, wired ♩ = 112

First system of the transposed score, measures 1-4. The instrumentation includes Soprano Saxophone, Alto Saxophone, Tenor Saxophone, and Baritone Saxophone. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 6/8. The tempo is marked as ♩ = 112. The dynamics range from *pp* (pianissimo) to *f* (forte).

Measures 1-4 show a melodic line in the Soprano Saxophone, with the Alto and Tenor Saxophones providing harmonic support. The Baritone Saxophone plays a rhythmic pattern. The dynamics are *pp* in measures 1 and 3, and *f* in measures 2 and 4.

Second system of the transposed score, measures 5-7. The instrumentation includes Soprano Saxophone (S), Alto Saxophone (A), Tenor Saxophone (T), and Baritone Saxophone (B). The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 6/8. The dynamics range from *pp* (pianissimo) to *f* (forte) and *mf* (mezzo-forte).

Measures 5-7 show a continuation of the melodic line in the Soprano Saxophone, with the Alto and Tenor Saxophones providing harmonic support. The Baritone Saxophone plays a rhythmic pattern. The dynamics are *pp* in measure 5, *f* in measure 6, and *mf* in measure 7.

Third system of the transposed score, measures 8-10. The instrumentation includes Soprano Saxophone (S), Alto Saxophone (A), Tenor Saxophone (T), and Baritone Saxophone (B). The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 4/4. The tempo is marked as ♩ = 168. The dynamics range from *f* (forte) to *p* (piano).

Measures 8-10 show a continuation of the melodic line in the Soprano Saxophone, with the Alto and Tenor Saxophones providing harmonic support. The Baritone Saxophone plays a rhythmic pattern. The dynamics are *f* in measures 8 and 9, and *p* in measure 10.

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12

11 13 14 15

S

A

T

B

ff *pp* *p* *pp*

ff *pp* *p* *pp*

ff *p* *pp*

ff *p* *pp*

slap tongue *slap tongue* *slap tongue* *slap tongue*

16 17 18 19

S

A

T

B

f *pp* *ff* *pp*

f *pp* *ff* *f*

f *pp* *ff* *pp*

f *pp* *ff* *ff*

20 21 22 23

S

A

T

B

f *pp* *f* *pp*

fp *f* *f* *f*

f *pp* *f* *f*

mf *f* *f* *f*

- Drive - IV. Floor It -

17

24 25 26 27

S *f* *mf* *f* *pp*

A *ff* *mf* *f* *pp*

T *f* *mf* *f* *pp*

B *pp* *f* *mf* *f*

28 29 30 31 32

S *f* *pp*

A *f* *fp*

T *f* *pp*

B *pp*

33 34 35 36

S *mf* *f* *fp*

A *f* *pp* *mf*

T *mf* *f* *pp* *mf*

B *mf* *f* *pp* *mf*

- Drive - IV. Floor It -

18

37 38 39 40 41

S *f* *ff* *p* *f* *p* *mf* *p*

A *f* *ff* *p* *f* *p* *mf* *p*

T *f* *ff* *mp* *mf* *p*

B *f* *ff* *mp* *mf* *p* *mf*

42 43 44 45 46

S *mf* *p* *p* *mf*

A *mf* *p* *p* *mf*

T *mf* *p* *p* *pp* *p*

B *p* *p* *pp* *p*

47 48 49 50

S *fp* *fp* *fp* *fp*

A *fp* *fp* *fp* *fp*

T *fp* *fp* *fp* *fp*

B *fp* *fp* *fp* *mf*

- Drive - IV. Floor It -

19

51 52 53 54 55

S *f* *ff* *mf* *ff* *mf*

A *f* *ff* *mf* *ff* *mf* *f*

T *f* *ff* *mf* *ff* *f*

B *f* *ff* *mf*

56 57 58 59

S *ff* *mf* *ff* *f*

A *ff* *mf* *ff* *mf* *f*

T *ff* *mf* *ff* *mf* *f*

B *ff* *mf* *f*

60 61 62 63

S *mf* *ff* *mf* *ff* *mf*

A *mf* *ff* *mf* *ff* *mf* *ff*

T *mf* *ff* *fp* *ff* *mf*

B *mf* *ff* *fp* *ff* *mf*

- Drive - IV. Floor It -

20

64 65 66

S *mf* *ff* *mf*

A *mf* *ff*

T *ff* *mf*

B *ff* *f*

67 68 69

S *f* *ff* *mf*

A *fp* *ff* *ff*

T *mf* *ff*

B *ff*

70 71 72 73

S *ff* *f*

A *mf* *f* *f*

T *mf* *f*

B *f*

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21

74

S *ff* *pp* *p* *f*

A *ff* *mf*

T *ff* *pp* *p* *f*

B *ff* *pp* *p*

75 76 77

78 79 80

S *p* *mf* *f* *fp*

A *f* *fp* *f* *mf*

T *p* *mf* *f* *mf*

B *fp* *mf* *f* *fp*

81 82 83 84 85 86

molto rit.

S *ffp* *ffp*

A *f* *ffp* *ffp*

T *f* *ffp* *ffp*

B *f* *ffp* *ffp*

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22

A Tempo

87 88 89 90

S *ffp* *mf* *gliss.*

A *ffp* *mf* *gliss.*

T *ffp* *ff* *mf* *ff* *mf* *ff* *mf*

B *ffp* *ff* *mf* *ff* *mf* *ff* *mf*

Detailed description: This block contains the first system of the musical score, measures 87 through 90. It is written for four voices: Soprano (S), Alto (A), Tenor (T), and Bass (B). The key signature has one flat (B-flat). Measure 87 starts with a box containing the number 87. Measures 88 and 89 have a box containing 88. Measure 90 has a box containing 90. The Soprano and Alto parts have a glissando (gliss.) in measure 90. The Tenor and Bass parts have a crescendo from *ffp* to *ff* in measure 88, then a decrescendo to *mf* in measure 89, and a crescendo back to *ff* in measure 90. The Soprano and Alto parts have a decrescendo from *ffp* to *mf* in measure 88, then a crescendo back to *ff* in measure 89, and a decrescendo to *mf* in measure 90. The Tenor and Bass parts have a decrescendo from *ff* to *mf* in measure 89, and a crescendo back to *ff* in measure 90.

91 92 93

S *ff* *mf* *ff*

A *ff* *mf* *ff*

T *ff* *mf* *ff*

B *ff* *mf* *ff*

Detailed description: This block contains the second system of the musical score, measures 91 through 93. It is written for four voices: Soprano (S), Alto (A), Tenor (T), and Bass (B). The key signature has one flat (B-flat). Measure 91 starts with a box containing the number 91. Measure 92 has a box containing 92. Measure 93 has a box containing 93. The Soprano and Alto parts have a decrescendo from *ff* to *mf* in measure 91, and a crescendo back to *ff* in measure 92. The Tenor and Bass parts have a decrescendo from *ff* to *mf* in measure 91, and a crescendo back to *ff* in measure 92. The Soprano and Alto parts have a decrescendo from *ff* to *mf* in measure 93, and a crescendo back to *ff* in measure 94. The Tenor and Bass parts have a decrescendo from *ff* to *mf* in measure 93, and a crescendo back to *ff* in measure 94.

94 95 96

S *mf* *f*

A *mp* *f*

T *p* *f*

B *p* *f*

Detailed description: This block contains the third system of the musical score, measures 94 through 96. It is written for four voices: Soprano (S), Alto (A), Tenor (T), and Bass (B). The key signature has one flat (B-flat). Measure 94 starts with a box containing the number 94. Measure 95 has a box containing 95. Measure 96 has a box containing 96. The Soprano and Alto parts have a decrescendo from *mf* to *f* in measure 94, and a crescendo back to *mf* in measure 95. The Tenor and Bass parts have a decrescendo from *p* to *f* in measure 94, and a crescendo back to *p* in measure 95. The Soprano and Alto parts have a decrescendo from *f* to *mp* in measure 96, and a crescendo back to *f* in measure 97. The Tenor and Bass parts have a decrescendo from *f* to *p* in measure 96, and a crescendo back to *f* in measure 97.

- Drive - IV. Floor It -

97 98 99 100 23

S *fff* *p* *pp*

A *fff* *p* *pp*

T *fff* *p* *pp*

B *fff* *p* *pp*

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