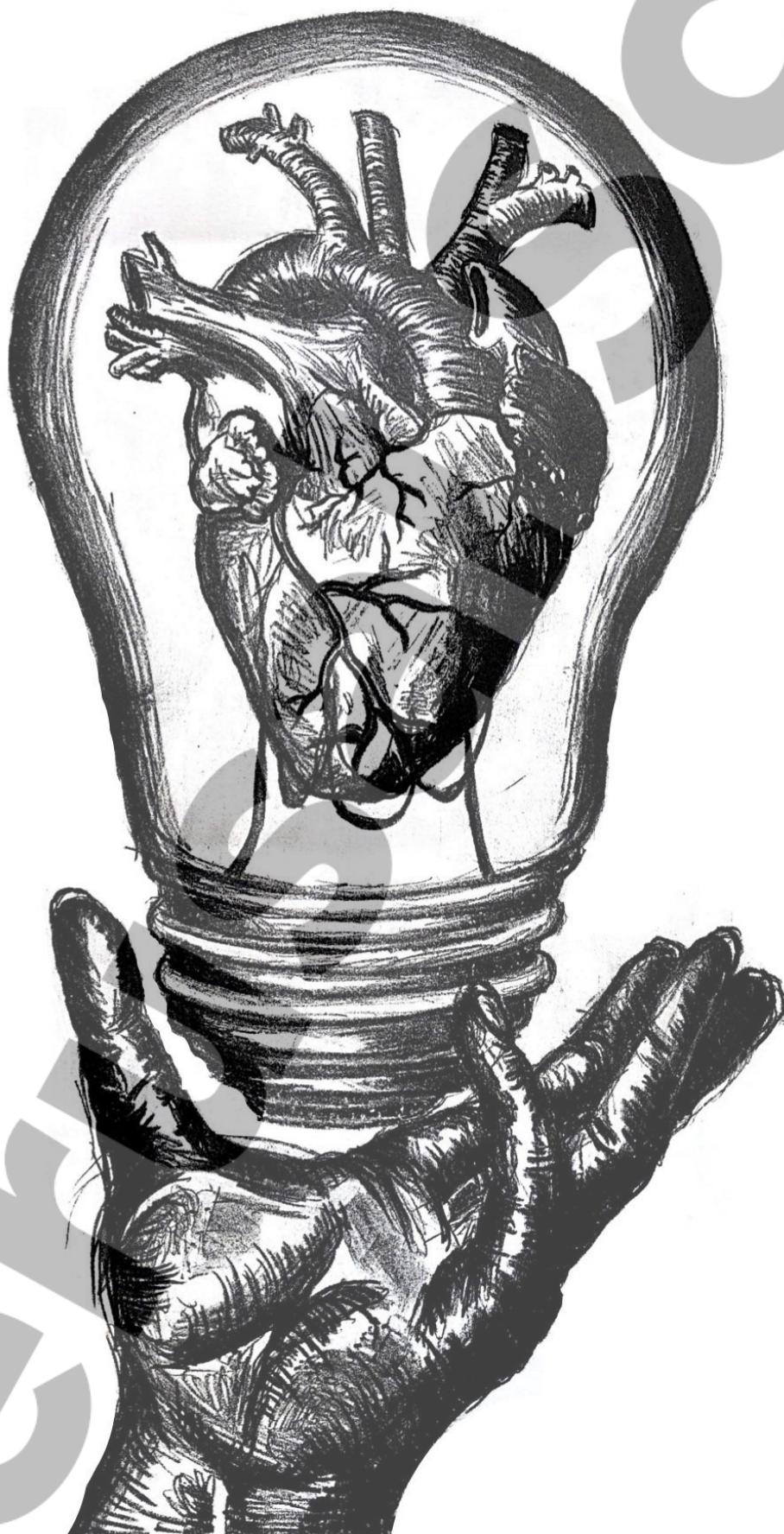


Odds and Unevens

A short transformation for Wind Ensemble



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Total Duration - ~5:10

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Instrumentation

Piccolo

Flute 1/2

Oboe 1/2

Bassoon

Clarinet in Bb 1/2

Clarinet in Bb 3/4

Bass Clarinet

Alto Saxophone

Tenor Saxophone

Baritone Saxophone

Trumpet 1/2

Trumpet 3/4

Horn in F 1/3

Horn in F 2/4

Trombone 1/2

Bass Trombone

Euphonium

Tuba

Timpani

Percussion 1

Crotales

Percussion 2

Glockenspiel

Percussion 3

Vibraphone

Percussion 4

Xylophone

Percussion 5

Chimes

Sus. Cymbal

Program Notes

For a while I had been fascinated by our willingness to raise our chances of attaining goals without being able to guarantee anything. We expend tremendous effort to make us *more likely* to find success, while maintaining a collective understanding that all aspirations are a roll of the dice to a certain extent.

Want to open a great restaurant? Roll the dice. If you've gone to culinary school, studied business management, and/or apprenticed at other establishments in the past, maybe the dice have a higher chance of coming up positive, but it's never a guarantee.

The same stands for any complex pursuit; engineer, composer, teacher. Climb a mountain, be drafted into the NBA, become a grandmaster. We can be pointed toward a path that will increase our odds, but nothing is a sure thing.

It's crazy to me that we're all casually content with that dynamic. It's crazy to me that we are all satisfied to walk through the world with this weight of uncertainty looming over us, following us around like a cartoon rain cloud.

I had been wanting to write a piece that reflects that tension for some time. The bump that the piece needed was a conversation I had with a friend of mine in the spring of 2018 in which it was remarked that it's hard to find interesting, specifically modern, quality literature under around eight minutes long. This piece was written to help fix that, or at least that's a goal.

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Performance Notes

Odds and Unevens has a through-line of pulse in the mallet percussion, most often in the Vibraphone. The single-note line represents the consistent march in pursuit of our goals. It stumbles and glitches along the way, tripping over itself in each solo instance.

The piece can be divided roughly into four sections:

Turmoil:	m.1 - m.49
Increase The Odds:	m.50 - m.113
Roll The Dice:	m.114 - 150
Resolution:	m.151 - m.195

Turmoil has no real melodic intent to speak of, the goal being to bring a sense of unrest to the top of the piece. It is important in this section to maintain vertical alignment, as much of the interest comes from balanced tone clusters and tightly voiced chord extensions. The concept of attack and release is critical, as very often the mallet percussion provide an attack, while the woodwinds or brass provide a sustain.

Increase The Odds is a building section of alternating tonalities, centered around the pitch F. The section requires steady pulse in the 8th note repeating patterns, and a sense of phrase in the melodies. The melody in this section is in long passages in solo instruments throughout, splitting into solo duets at m.74. Many of these melodies are intended to have a loose relationship with the steady pulse of the piece. Very rarely will these melodies move with the accompaniment, they are meant to be separate ideas. The section should build steadily until the xylophone floats us out of it.

Roll The Dice should be the dynamic and emotional peak of the piece. Low brass and timpani need to maintain volume and presence throughout their long tones while high brass keep the listener off the pulse with their attacks. Woodwinds and mallet percussion maintain pulse and their pattern displaces one 8th note each phrase through the 7/8 measures. If possible, the clarinet line in m.141 should be a true gliss, and the ensemble should flare the chord leading into m.143.

Resolution brings as close to melody as this piece really ever encounters. The attacks at 159 should be as short as possible while still allowing the pitch and chord structure to project. The melody at m.179 is a restatement of an idea heard back at m.20, and is the only thing you hear twice in the piece, other than the vibraphone line. The piece ends with a question, rather than an answer.

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Dedicated to my wife and best friend in the world, Megan Hannum
who has always encouraged me to take chances and roll the dice

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Score

Duration: 5:00

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Presto $\text{♩} = 162$

Score

Duration: 5:00

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Presto $\text{♩} = 162$

Piccolo

Flute

Oboe

Bassoon

Clarinet in E♭

Clarinet in B♭

Clarinet in B♭

Bass Clarinet

Alto Sax

Tenor Sax

Baritone Sax

Trumpet in B♭

Trumpet in B♭

Horn in F

Horn in F

Trombone

Bass Trombone

Euphonium

Tuba

Timpani

Crotales

Glockenspiel

Vibraphone

Xylophone

Chimes

Solo

f

p *f*

mf

Rubber Mallets

Hard Mallets

mf

Odds and Unevens

12

Picc. *fp*

Fl. *fp*

Ob. *fp*

Bsn. *fp*

E♭ Cl. *mf*

Solo

B♭ Cl. *fp*

B♭ Cl. *fp*

B. Cl. *fp*

A. Sx. *fp*

T. Sx. *fp*

B. Sx. *fp*

To Harmon

Mute

B♭ Tpt. *mp*

B♭ Tpt. Mute

Hn.

Hn.

Tbn. *p*

3. Tbn. *p*

Euph. *p*

Tuba *p*

Timpani

Crt.

Glk. Solo *mf*

Vib. Motor on *ff*

Xyl.

Chm. *mp*

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3

20

Picc. Solo *mp*

Fl.

Ob. Solo *mp*

Bsn.

E♭ Cl.

B♭ Cl.

B♭ Cl.

B. Cl.

A. Sx. Solo *mp*

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

B♭ Tpt.

B♭ Tpt.

Hn. *p*

Hn. *p* *mp*

Tbn. *p*

B. Tbn. *p*

Euph. *p*

Tuba *p*

20

Tim. *p*

Crt.

Glk.

Vib. Soft Mallets

Xyl. *mf*

Chm.

28

all

all

p

mf

Motor off

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31

Picc. Fl. Ob. Bsn. E♭ Cl. B♭ Cl. B♭ Cl. B. Cl. A. Sx. T. Sx. B. Sx. B♭ Tpt. B♭ Tpt. Hn. Hn. Tbn. B. Tbn. Euph. Tuba Timp. Crt. Glk. Vib. Xyl. Chm.

f 2 3
f 4 4
f

fp 2 3
fp 4 4
fp all *f* 2 3
fp *mf* 4 4
fp Open *ff* 2 3
Open *ff* 4 4
f *ff* 2 3
f *ff* 4 4
mf *ff* 2 3
mf *ff* 4 4
ff *ff* 2 3
ff *ff* 4 4
ff *ff* 2 3
ff *ff* 4 4
p *ff* > *mp* 2 - 3
2 - 4 - 4

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5

38

Picc. $\begin{array}{c} 3 \\ 4 \end{array}$

Fl. $\begin{array}{c} 4 \\ 4 \end{array}$

Ob.

Bsn.

E♭ Cl. $\begin{array}{c} 3 \\ 4 \end{array}$

B♭ Cl. $\begin{array}{c} 4 \\ 4 \end{array}$

B. Cl.

A. Sx. $\begin{array}{c} 3 \\ 4 \end{array}$

T. Sx. $\begin{array}{c} 4 \\ 4 \end{array}$

B. Sx.

B♭ Tpt. $\begin{array}{c} 3 \\ 4 \end{array}$

B♭ Tpt. $\begin{array}{c} 4 \\ 4 \end{array}$

Hn.

Hn.

Tbn. $\begin{array}{c} 3 \\ 4 \end{array}$

B. Tbn. $\begin{array}{c} 4 \\ 4 \end{array}$

Euph.

Tuba

38

Timp. $\begin{array}{c} 3 \\ 4 \end{array}$

Crt. $\begin{array}{c} 3 \\ 4 \end{array}$

Glk. $\begin{array}{c} 4 \\ 4 \end{array}$

Vib.

Xyl.

Chm.

42

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44

Picc. Fl. Ob. Bsn.

E♭ Cl. B♭ Cl. B♭ Cl. B. Cl.

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

B♭ Tpt. B♭ Tpt. Hn. Hn.

Tbn. 3. Tbn.

Euph. Tuba

Timp.

Crt. Glk. Let Ring

Vib.

Xyl.

Chm.

Odds and Unevens

7

51

Picc.

Fl.

Ob. all *mp* *f*

Bsn. *mp* *f*

E♭ Cl. *mp*

B♭ Cl.

B♭ Cl. *mf*

B. Cl. *mp* *f*

A. Sx.

T. Sx.

B. Sx. *mp* *f*

B♭ Tpt. *mp*

B♭ Tpt.

Hn.

Hn.

Tbn.

B. Tbn.

Euph.

Tuba

51

Tim. Let Ring

Crt.

Glk.

Vib.

Xyl.

Chm.

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[62]

58

Picc. *mp*

Fl. *mp*

Ob.

Bsn.

E♭ Cl. *mp*

B♭ Cl. *f*

B♭ Cl. *all*

B. Cl.

A. Sx. *mf*

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

B♭ Tpt. *p*

B♭ Tpt. *mp*

Hn. *mp*

Hn. *f*

Tbn.

B. Tbn.

Euph.

Tuba

58

Timp. *mp*

Crt.

Glk.

Vib. *mp*

Xyl.

Chm. *mf*

Musical score for orchestra, page 8, measures 58-62. The score includes parts for Piccolo, Flute, Oboe, Bassoon, E♭ Clarinet, B♭ Clarinet, Bass Clarinet, Alto Saxophone, Tenor Saxophone, Bass Saxophone, B♭ Trumpet, Bass Trumpet, Horn, Bass Horn, Trombone, Bass Trombone, Euphonium, Tuba, Timpani, Crotal, Glashorn, Vibraphone, Xylophone, and Chimes. Measure 58 shows various dynamics like *mp*, *f*, and *mf*. Measure 62 begins with a dynamic *all* for the B♭ Clarinets, followed by a solo for the Alto Saxophone. Measures 60-61 show the Bass Horn and Bass Trombone playing eighth-note patterns. Measure 62 concludes with sustained notes from the Vibraphone and Xylophone.

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9

66

Picc. Fl. Ob. Bsn. E♭ Cl. B♭ Cl. B. Cl. A. Sx. T. Sx. B. Sx. B♭ Tpt. Mute to straight mute Mute B♭ Tpt. Mute to straight mute Hn. Hn. Tbn. mp f 3. Tbn. mp f Eup. Tuba Timp. 66 Crt. Glk. Vib. Xyl. Chm.

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74

Picc.

Fl.

Ob. Solo 

Bsn.

E♭ Cl.

B♭ Cl. 



B. Cl.

A. Sx. 

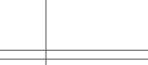
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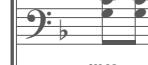
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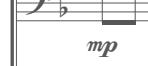
B♭ Tpt. 

B♭ Tpt. 

Hn. 


Hn. 


Tbn. 


B. Tbn. 


Euph. Solo 

Tuba

74

Timp.

Crt.

Glk.

Vib.

Xyl.

Chm.

The musical score page features a grid of 21 staves, each representing a different instrument. The instruments listed on the left are Picc., Fl., Ob. (with a 'Solo' instruction and three vertical stems with the number '3' below them), Bsn., E♭ Cl., B♭ Cl. (with dynamics f and mp), B. Cl., A. Sx. (with dynamic f), T. Sx., B. Sx., B♭ Tpt. (with repeating eighth-note chords), B♭ Tpt. (with repeating eighth-note chords), Hn. (with dynamics mp and mp), Hn. (with dynamics mp and mp), Tbn. (with dynamics mp and f), B. Tbn. (with dynamics mp and f), Euph. (with dynamics solo and mf), Tuba, Timp. (with a dynamic f), Crt., Glk., Vib., Xyl., and Chm. The page is numbered 10 at the top left and includes a section title 'Odds and Unevens' at the top right. There are several large, semi-transparent gray circles scattered across the page, some containing musical symbols like 'G' and '6'. Measure numbers 74 are present above the staves for the B♭ Tpt., B. Tbn., and Timp. sections.

Odds and Unevens

11

80 Solo

82

Picc.

Fl.

Ob.

Bsn.

E♭ Cl.

B♭ Cl.

B♭ Cl.

B. Cl.

A. Sx.

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

B♭ Tpt.

B♭ Tpt.

Hn.

Hn.

Tbn.

B. Tbn.

Euph.

Tuba

Timp.

Crt.

Glk.

Vib.

Xyl.

Chm.

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86

Picc.

Fl.

All
Ob.

Bsn.

E♭ Cl.

B♭ Cl.

B♭ Cl.

B. Cl.

A. Sx.

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

B♭ Tpt.

B♭ Tpt.

Hn.

Hn.

Tbn.

B. Tbn.

Euph.

Tuba

86

Timp.

Crt.

Glk.

Vib.

Xyl.

Chm.

90

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13

92

Picc.

Fl.

Ob.

Bsn. *f*

E♭ Cl.

B♭ Cl.

B♭ Cl.

B. Cl. *f*

A. Sx.

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

B♭ Tpt.

B♭ Tpt.

Hn.

Hn.

Tbn.

B. Tbn.

Euph.

Tuba

92

Timp.

Crt.

Glk.

Vib.

Xyl.

Chm.

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98

Picc.

Fl.

Ob.

Bsn.

E♭ Cl.

B♭ Cl.

B♭ Cl.

B. Cl.

A. Sx.

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

B♭ Tpt.

B♭ Tpt.

Hn.

Hn.

Tbn.

B. Tbn.

All

Euph.

Tuba

98

Timp.

Crt.

Glk.

Vib.

Xyl.

Chm.

Odds and Unevens

15

104

Picc.

Fl.

Ob.

Bsn.

E♭ Cl.

B♭ Cl.

B♭ Cl.

B. Cl.

A. Sx.

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

B♭ Tpt.

B♭ Tpt.

Hn.

Hn.

Tbn.

B. Tbn.

Euph.

Tuba

104

Tim.

Crt.

Glk.

Vib.

Xyl.

Chm.

106

Odds and Unevens

III

Picc. 

Fl. 

Ob. 

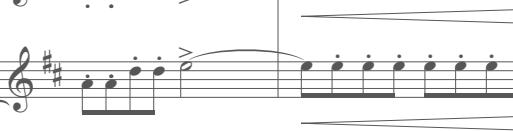
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B♭ Cl. 

B. Cl. 

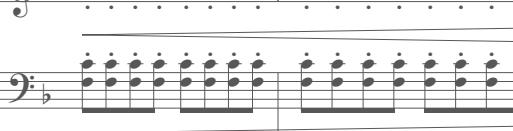
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T. Sx. 

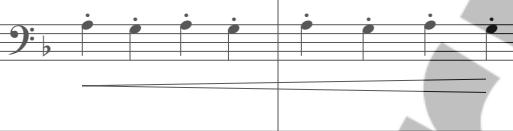
B. Sx. 

B♭ Tpt. 

B♭ Tpt. 

Hn. 

Hn. 

Tbn. 

B. Tbn. 

Euph. 

Tuba 

III

Timp. 

Crt. 

Glk. 

Vib. 

Xyl. 

Chm.

114

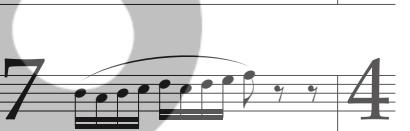
f

7 

f

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f

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f

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f

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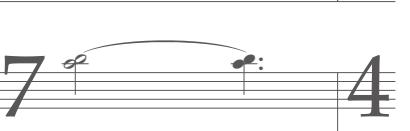
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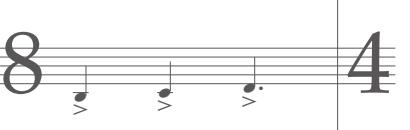
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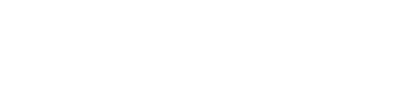
f

8 

f

7 

f

8 

f

Let Ring

Let Ring

Solo

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17

117

Picc. 4 7 4 7

Fl. 4 8 4 8

Ob. 8 8 8 8

Bsn. 8 8 8 8

E♭ Cl. 4 7 4 7

B♭ Cl. 4 8 4 8

B♭ Cl. 8 8 8 8

B. Cl. 8 8 8 8

A. Sx. 4 7 4 7

T. Sx. 4 8 4 8

B. Sx. 8 8 8 8

B♭ Tpt. 4 7 4 7

B♭ Tpt. 4 8 4 8

Hn. 8 8 8 8

Hn. 8 8 8 8

Tbn. 4 8 4 7

B. Tbn. 4 8 4 8

Euph. 8 8 8 8

Tuba 8 8 8 8

Tim. 8 8 8 8

Crt. 4 7 4 7

Glk. 4 8 4 Motor 8

Vib. 8 8 8 8

Xyl. 8 8 8 8

Chm. 8 8 8 8

Odds and Unevens

122

Picc. 7 4 7 4 5

Fl. 8 4 8 4 4

Ob. 8 8 8 8

Bsn. 8 8 8 8

E♭ Cl. 7 4 7 4 5

B♭ Cl. 8 4 8 4 4

B♭ Cl. 8 8 8 8

B. Cl. 8 8 8 8

A. Sx. 7 4 7 4 5

T. Sx. 8 4 8 4 4

B. Sx. 8 8 8 8

B♭ Tpt. 7 4 7 4 5

B♭ Tpt. 8 4 8 4 4

Hn. 8 8 8 8

Hn. 8 8 8 8

Tbn. 7 4 8 7 4 5

B. Tbn. 8 4 8 4 4

Euph. 8 8 8 8

Tuba 8 8 8 8

Tim. 8 8 8 8

Crt. 7 4 7 4 5

Glk. 8 4 8 4 4

Vib. 8 8 8 8

Xyl. 8 8 8 8

Chm. 8 8 8 8

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Odds and Unevens

19

127

Picc. 5 6 4 5 6 4

Fl. 4 4 4 4 4 4

Ob.

Bsn.

E♭ Cl. 5 6 4 5 6 4

B♭ Cl. 4 4 4 4 4 4

B♭ Cl.

B. Cl.

A. Sx. 5 6 4 5 6 4

T. Sx. 4 4 4 4 4 4

B. Sx.

B♭ Tpt. 5 6 4 5 6 4

B♭ Tpt. 4 4 4 4 4 4

Hn.

Hn.

Tbn. 5 6 4 5 6 4

B. Tbn. 4 4 4 4 4 4

Euph.

Tuba

Tim. 127

Crt. 5 6 4 5 6 4

Glk. 4 4 4 4 4 4

Vib.

Xyl.

Chm.

Odds and Unevens

132

Picc. 4

Fl. 4

Ob.

Bsn. 4

E♭ Cl. 4

B♭ Cl. 4

B♭ Cl. 4

B. Cl. 4

A. Sx. 4

T. Sx. 4

B. Sx. 4

B♭ Tpt. 4

B♭ Tpt. 4

Hn. 4

Hn. 4

Tbn. 4

B. Tbn. 4

Euph. 4

Tuba 4

Tim. 4

Crt. 4

Glk. 4

Vib. 4

Xyl. 4

Chm. 4

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144

Picc. -

Fl. - *p*

Ob. - *p*

Bsn. - *p*

E♭ Cl. -

B♭ Cl. - *p*

B♭ Cl. - *p*

B. Cl. - *p*

A. Sx. - *p*

T. Sx. - *p*

B. Sx. - *p*

B♭ Tpt. -

B♭ Tpt. - *mp*

Hn. - >

Hn. - *mp*

Tbn. -

B. Tbn. -

Euph. -

Tuba -

144

Tim. - *bassoon* *p* *k*

Crt. -

Glk. -

Vib. -

Xyl. -

Chm. - Chimes *bassoon*

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149

Picc. Fl. Ob. Bsn. E♭ Cl. B♭ Cl. B♭ Cl. B. Cl. A. Sx. T. Sx. B. Sx.

151

B♭ Tpt. B♭ Tpt. Hn. Hn. Tbn. B. Tbn. Euph. Tuba Timp. Crt. Glk. Vib. Xyl. Chm.

Odds and Unevens

154

Picc.

Fl.

Ob.

Bsn.

E♭ Cl.

B♭ Cl.

B. Cl.

A. Sx.

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

B♭ Tpt.

B♭ Tpt.

Hn.

Hn.

Tbn.

B. Tbn.

Euph.

Tuba

Tim.

Crt.

Glk.

Vib.

Xyl.

Chm.

suspended cymbal

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25

159

Picc. *mf*

Fl. *mf*

Ob. *mf*

Bsn. *mf*

E♭ Cl. *mf*

B♭ Cl. *mf*

B♭ Cl. *mf*

B. Cl. *mf*

A. Sx. *mf*

T. Sx. *mf*

B. Sx. *mf*

B♭ Tpt. *cresc.*

B♭ Tpt. *cresc.*

Hn. *cresc.*

Hn. *cresc.*

Tbn. *cresc.*

B. Tbn.

Eup. *cresc.*

Tuba

Tim. *mp* *f* *mp*

Crt.

Glk.

Vib.

Xyl.

Chm. *f* *mf*

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165

Picc. Fl. Ob. Bsn. E♭ Cl. B♭ Cl. B♭ Cl. B. Cl. A. Sx. T. Sx. B. Sx.

B♭ Tpt. B♭ Tpt. Hn. Hn. Tbn. B. Tbn. Euph. Tuba Timp. Crt. Glk. Vib. Xyl. Chm.

167

soft mallets

f

Odds and Unevens

27

171

Picc.

Fl.

Ob.

Bsn.

E♭ Cl.

B♭ Cl.

B♭ Cl.

B. Cl.

A. Sx.

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

B♭ Tpt.

B♭ Tpt.

Hn.

Hn.

Tbn.

B. Tbn.

Euph.

Tuba

Timp.

Crt.

Glk.

Vib.

Xyl.

Chm.

175

Chimes

Odds and Unevens

Musical score page 177 featuring a grid of 21 instrument staves. The instruments listed on the left are Picc., Fl., Ob., Bsn., E♭ Cl., B♭ Cl., B♭ Cl., B. Cl., A. Sx., T. Sx., B. Sx., B♭ Tpt., B♭ Tpt., Hn., Hn., Tbn., 3. Tbn., Euph., Tuba, Timp., Crt., Glk., Vib., Xyl., and Chm. The score includes dynamic markings such as *f*, *mf*, and *mp*. Large, semi-transparent gray circles and arrows are overlaid on the page, highlighting specific sections of the music.

Odds and Unevens

29

185

Picc. *p*

Fl. *mp*

Ob. *p* *mp*

Bsn. *p* *mp*

E♭ Cl. *p* *mp*

B♭ Cl. *p* *mp*

B♭ Cl. *p* *mp*

B. Cl. *p* *mp*

A. Sx. *p* *mp*

T. Sx. *p* *mp*

B. Sx. *p* *mp*

B♭ Tpt. *p* <> sim. sim.

B♭ Tpt. *p* <> sim. sim.

Hn. *p* <> sim. sim.

Hn. *p* <> sim. sim.

Tbn. *p* <> sim. sim.

B. Tbn. *p* <> sim. sim.

Euph. *p* <> sim. sim.

Tuba *p* <> sim. sim.

Timp. *p*

Crt.

Glk.

Vib. *mp* Solo *pp*

Xyl.

Chm.