

Majestic Overture

Homage to the Mountains & Their Peoples

for Orchestra



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Majestic Overture is a concert overture intended to function as the "forward" or "prelude" to the concert program.

The original concept began in the 1990s—about thirty years before this version. It is a work for which I always saw potential, but one for which I had not given much regard. Over the years I returned to it several times in hopes of fulfilling my original intentions, but to no avail. Then, in February of 2023, I had a breakthrough with what ostensibly now is the third theme, though it is a permutation of the second. The work finally came to blossom and fruition in March 2023.

In form, it is a *rondo* of sorts, with alternating repeated sections and their variants.

The themes have been crafted to match the message suggested in the title and sub-title. I grew up in the 1950s in a small mountain town in northern California, Dunsuir. Every day—even as a child—I relished and marvelled at the beauty of Mt. Shasta, that raised the sky just eight miles north of my home. The people, the time, the place—all have had a profound influence on my being, for which I have always been grateful.

It is a short work, with only 165 measures, which makes it suitable for the "opening act" of a concert program.

TIME: c. 5'50"

:-)

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INSTRUMENTATION

WOODWINDS (optional in pairs):

Flute/Piccolo

Oboe

Clarinet

Bassoon

BRASS:

Horns in F x 2

Trumpets in Bb x 4

Trombones x 2

Bass Trombone x 1

Tuba

PERCUSSION:

Timpani

Percussion I:

Triangle, Snare Drum, Tom-Toms,

Percussion II:

Bass Drum, Crash Cymbals, Tambourine

STRINGS

Homage to the Mountains and Their Peoples

♩. = 92
With conviction

♩. = 92
With conviction

5

B $\flat$ Tpt. 1

B $\flat$ Tpt. 2

Tbn. 1

Tbn. 2

B. Tbn.

Tuba

ff

ff

ffz ff

ffz ff

8

$\text{♩} = 120$

B $\flat$ Tpt. 1

B $\flat$ Tpt. 2

Tbn. 1

Tbn. 2

B. Tbn.

Tuba

Timp.

f

$\text{♩} = 120$
pizz.

ff

pizz.

ff

f

12

B $\flat$ Tpt. 1

B $\flat$ Tpt. 2

Tbn. 1

Tbn. 2

B. Tbn.

Tuba

Timp.

Vc.

Cb.

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20

Fl.

Ob.

B♭ Cl.

Bsn.

Hn. 1

Hn. 2

B♭ Tpt. 1

B♭ Tpt. 2

Tbn. 1

Tbn. 2

Perc. II

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

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[illegible]

28

Fl. *mf*

Ob. *mf*

B♭ Cl. *mf*

Bsn. whimsically, detached
mf (outdoors only, thru 44)

Hn. 1 *mf* *p*

Hn. 2 *mf* *p*

Tbn. 1 *mf* *p*

Tbn. 2 *mf* *p*

B. Tbn. *mf* *p*

Perc. I Triangle
mf

Vln. I *mf*

Vc. pizz. *mf*

Cb. *mf*

32

Fl.

Ob.

B♭ Cl.

Bsn.

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

mf < >

mf < >

mf < >

mf arco

(pizz.)

35

Fl.

Ob.

B♭ Cl.

Bsn.

Perc. I

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

to snare drum

mf

pizz.

38

Ob.

B♭ Cl.

Bsn.

Hn. 1

Hn. 2

Tbn. 1

Tbn. 2

B. Tbn.

Tuba

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

mf

mf

mf

mf

mf

mf

arco

(pizz.)

41

Fl.

Ob.

B♭ Cl.

Bsn.

Hn. 1

Hn. 2

B♭ Tpt. 1

B♭ Tpt. 2

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

mf

poco cresc.

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47

Fl.

Ob.

B♭ Cl.

Hn. 1

Hn. 2

B♭ Tpt. 1

B♭ Tpt. 2

Tbn. 1

Tbn. 2

B. Tbn.

Tuba

Perc. I

Perc. II

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

50 $\text{♩} = 120$

Fl. *poco accel. e cresc.*

Ob. *poco accel. e cresc.* **f**

B♭ Cl. *poco accel. e cresc.* **f**

Bsn. *poco accel. e cresc.* **f**

Hn. 1 *poco accel. e cresc.* **f**

Hn. 2 *poco accel. e cresc.* **f**

B♭ Tpt. 1 *poco accel. e cresc.* **f**

B♭ Tpt. 2 *poco accel. e cresc.* **f**

Tbn. 1 *poco accel. e cresc.* **f**

Tbn. 2 *poco accel. e cresc.* **f**

B. Tbn. *poco accel. e cresc.* **f**

Tuba *poco accel. e cresc.* **f**

Timp. **f**

Perc. I *poco accel. e cresc.* **f** to triangle

Perc. II *poco accel. e cresc.* **f** to crash cymbals

Vln. I *poco accel. e cresc.* $\text{♩} = 120$ **f**

Vln. II *poco accel. e cresc.* **f**

Vla. *poco accel. e cresc.* **f**

Vc. *poco accel. e cresc.* **f**

Cb. *poco accel. e cresc.* **f**

53

Bsn.

Hn. 1

Hn. 2

B♭ Tpt. 1

B♭ Tpt. 2

Tbn. 1

Tbn. 2

B. Tbn.

Tuba

Timp.

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

56

Ob.

Bsn.

Hn. 1

Hn. 2

B♭ Tpt. 1

B♭ Tpt. 2

Tbn. 1

Tbn. 2

B. Tbn.

Tuba

Timp.

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

f

3

3

59

Fl.

Ob.

B♭ Cl.

Hn. 1

Hn. 2

B♭ Tpt. 1

B♭ Tpt. 2

Tbn. 1

Tbn. 2

B. Tbn.

Tuba

f

poco meno

mf

62

$\text{♩} = 92$

Fl.

Ob.

B♭ Cl.

Bsn.

Hn. 1

Hn. 2

Tbn. 1

Tbn. 2

B. Tbn.

Tuba

Perc. I

Vln. I

Vc.

Cb.

mf

mf

mf

mf

p

p

p

p

p

mf

mf

mf

mf

pizz.

pizz.

whimsically, detached

Triangle

68

Fl.

B $\flat$ Cl.

Bsn.

Perc. I

Triangle

mf

Vln. I

mf

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

Detailed description: This system contains measures 68, 69, and 70. The Flute (Fl.) is silent in measures 68 and 69, then plays a sixteenth-note triplet in measure 70 marked *mf*. The B $\flat$ Clarinet (B $\flat$ Cl.) plays a quarter-note triplet in measure 68, is silent in measure 69, and plays a sixteenth-note triplet in measure 70 marked *mf*. The Bassoon (Bsn.) plays a steady eighth-note line. The Percussion I (Perc. I) part includes a Triangle that plays a single stroke in measure 69 marked *mf*. The Violin I (Vln. I) part is silent in measure 68, then plays a sixteenth-note triplet in measure 69 marked *mf*, followed by a sixteenth-note line in measure 70. The Violin II (Vln. II) and Viola (Vla.) parts play a continuous sixteenth-note line. The Violoncello (Vc.) and Contrabass (Cb.) parts play a steady eighth-note line.

71

Fl.

Ob.

mp

f

B $\flat$ Cl.

Bsn.

Vln. I

3

3

Vc.

Cb.

Detailed description: This system contains measures 71, 72, and 73. The Flute (Fl.) is silent in measures 71 and 72, then plays a quarter note in measure 73. The Oboe (Ob.) is silent in measure 71, then plays a half-note triplet in measure 72 marked *mp*, followed by a half-note in measure 73 marked *f*. The B $\flat$ Clarinet (B $\flat$ Cl.) plays a half-note triplet in measure 71, a half-note triplet in measure 72, and a half-note triplet in measure 73. The Bassoon (Bsn.) plays a steady eighth-note line. The Violin I (Vln. I) part is silent in measures 71 and 72, then plays a half-note triplet in measure 73 marked *3*. The Violoncello (Vc.) and Contrabass (Cb.) parts play a steady eighth-note line.

74

Ob.

B♭ Cl.

Bsn.

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

p

p

mf

mf

p

mf

77

Fl.

B♭ Cl.

Bsn.

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

mf

[illegible]

83

Fl.

Ob.

Hn. 2

B♭ Tpt. 1

B♭ Tpt. 2

Tbn. 1

Tbn. 2

B. Tbn.

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

mf

mf

mf

mf

Detailed description: This block contains the musical notation for measures 83 through 85. The score is for a large orchestra. Measures 83 and 84 feature a variety of instruments including Flute, Oboe, Horn 2, B♭ Trumpets 1 and 2, Trombones 1 and 2, Bass Trombone, Violins I and II, Viola, Violoncello, and Contrabass. Measure 85 continues the orchestration. Dynamics include *mf* (mezzo-forte) for several instruments. The key signature has two flats, and the time signature is 4/4.

86

Fl.

Ob.

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vc.

Cb.

3

3

3

3

Detailed description: This block contains the musical notation for measures 86 through 88. The instrumentation for measures 86 and 87 includes Flute, Oboe, Violins I and II, Violoncello, and Contrabass. Measure 88 continues the orchestration. The score features triplet markings (indicated by a '3' over the notes) in measures 86, 87, and 88. The key signature has two flats, and the time signature is 4/4.

89

Fl.

Ob.

Bsn.

Hn. 1

Hn. 2

B♭ Tpt. 1

B♭ Tpt. 2

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

straight mute

straight mute

p

mf

mf

p

senza sord.

senza sord.

92

Fl.

Ob.

Bsn.

Hn. 1

Hn. 2

B $\flat$ Tpt. 1

B $\flat$ Tpt. 2

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

Detailed description: This block contains the musical notation for measures 92, 93, and 94. The instrumentation includes Flute, Oboe, Bassoon, Horns 1 and 2, Trumpets 1 and 2 (B-flat), Violins I and II, Viola, Violoncello, and Contrabass. The key signature has two flats (B-flat and E-flat). The time signature is 4/4. In measure 92, the Flute and Oboe have rests, while the Bassoon, Horns, Trumpets, and lower strings play. In measure 93, the Flute and Oboe enter with eighth-note patterns. In measure 94, the Flute and Oboe continue their patterns, while the Bassoon and lower strings provide harmonic support.

95

Fl.

Ob.

Bsn.

Perc. II

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

arco

Detailed description: This block contains the musical notation for measures 95, 96, and 97. The instrumentation includes Flute, Oboe, Bassoon, Percussion II, Violins I and II, Viola, Violoncello, and Contrabass. The key signature has two flats. In measure 95, the Flute and Oboe play triplet eighth-note patterns, while the Bassoon and Percussion II have rests. In measure 96, the Flute and Oboe continue their patterns, and the Violins and Viola enter with triplet eighth-note patterns. In measure 97, the Flute and Oboe have rests, while the Violins, Viola, and lower strings play. The lower strings are marked 'arco' (arco). The Percussion II part has a rest in measure 95 and 96, and a single note in measure 97.

98 *poco meno*

Fl. *mf*

Ob. *mf*

B $\flat$ Cl. *mf*

Hn. 1 *f* *mf* *p*

Hn. 2 *f* *mf* *p*

B $\flat$ Tpt. 1 *f*

B $\flat$ Tpt. 2 *f*

Tbn. 1 *f* *mf* *p*

Tbn. 2 *f* *mf* *p*

B. Tbn. *mf* *p*

Tuba *mf* *p*

Perc. II *Sus. Cymbal* *p*

Vln. I *poco meno*

Vln. II *poco meno*

Vla. *pizz.* *mf*

Vc. *pizz.* *mf*

Cb. *pizz.* *mf*

101

Fl.

Ob.

Bsn.

Perc. I

Perc. II

Vln. I

Vc.

Cb.

mf
whimsically, detached

mf
Triangle
(outdoors only, thru 76)

to tambourine

104

Fl.

Ob.

B♭ Cl.

Bsn.

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

mf < > *mf*

mf < > *mf*

mf < >

mf < > *mf*

mf < > *mf*

mf

mf

arco

(pizz.)

107

Fl.

Ob.

B $\flat$ Cl.

Bsn.

Perc. I

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

to toms

pizz.

110

Fl.

Ob.

B♭ Cl.

Bsn.

Hn. 1

Hn. 2

Tbn. 1

Tbn. 2

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

mf

mf

mf

mf

arco

(pizz.)

113

Fl.

Ob.

B♭ Cl.

Bsn.

Hn. 1

Hn. 2

B♭ Tpt. 1

B♭ Tpt. 2

Tbn. 1

Tbn. 2

B. Tbn.

Tuba

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

mf

mf

cresc.

116

Hn. 1

Hn. 2

B^b Tpt. 1

B^b Tpt. 2

Tbn. 1

Tbn. 2

ff

ff

ff

ff

ff

ff

92

3+3+2/8

119

Hn. 1

Hn. 2

B^b Tpt. 1

B^b Tpt. 2

Tbn. 1

Tbn. 2

B. Tbn.

Tuba

sfpp

sfpp

ff

sfpp

sfpp

sfpp

122

122

Hn. 1 *sfp* *f*

Hn. 2 *sfp* *f*

Tbn. 2

B. Tbn.

Tuba

Perc. I Low-Mid Tom High-Mid Tom *f*

Perc. II Tambourine *mf*

Vln. I briskly *mf*

Vln. II *mf*

Vla. *mf*

Vc. arco *mf*

Cb. (pizz.) *mf*

125

125

Perc. I

Perc. II

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

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120

Perc. I

Perc. II

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

The image shows a musical score for a 120-measure section. The score is written for six parts: Percussion I, Percussion II, Violin I, Violin II, Viola, Voice, and Cello. The key signature is one flat (B-flat), and the time signature is 4/4. The Percussion parts are written on a grand staff with two staves each. The Violin and Viola parts are written on a grand staff with two staves each. The Voice and Cello parts are written on a single staff each. The score is divided into three measures. The first measure contains a full orchestral texture. The second measure features a more active Violin I and II part. The third measure is a simplified texture with the Percussion, Viola, Voice, and Cello parts.

131

151

Fl.

Ob.

Perc. I

Perc. II

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

mf

mf

f

134

Fl.

Ob.

Perc. I

Perc. II

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

137

Fl.

Ob.

B♭ Tpt. 1

B♭ Tpt. 2

Perc. I

Perc. II

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

choke to crash cymbals

arco

[illegible]

142

Ob. $\text{♩} = 92$ *mf*

Timp. *mf* $\text{♩} = 92$

Vln. I *p* *pizz.* *mf*

Vln. II *mf*

Vla. *pizz.* *mf*

Vc. *pizz.* *mf*

146

Ob.

B♭ Cl. *mf*

Hn. 1 *mf*

Hn. 2 *mf*

B♭ Tpt. 1 *p cresc.*

Tuba *mf*

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc. arco

Cb. *pizz.* *mf* arco

148

Piccolo

Picc.

mf

accel. e cresc.

B♭ Cl.

accel. e cresc.

Bsn.

mf

accel. e cresc.

Hn. 1

accel. e cresc.

Hn. 2

accel. e cresc.

B♭ Tpt. 1

mf *accel. e cresc.*

B♭ Tpt. 2

mp *cresc.* *mf* *accel. e cresc.*

Tuba

accel. e cresc.

Timp.

mf

Perc. I

mf *accel. e cresc.*

Bass Drum

Perc. II

mf *accel. e cresc.*

Vln. I

accel. e cresc.

Vln. II

accel. e cresc.

Vla.

accel. e cresc.

Vc.

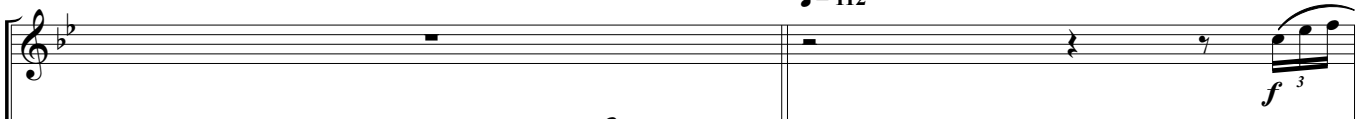
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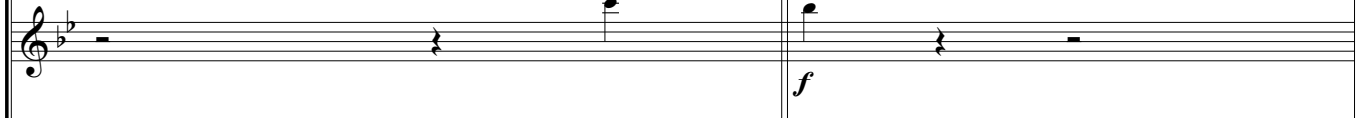
Cb.

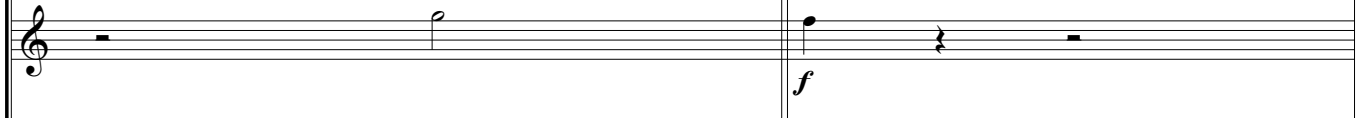
accel. e cresc.

150

♩ = 112

Picc.  *f* 3

Ob.  *f*

B♭ Cl.  *f*

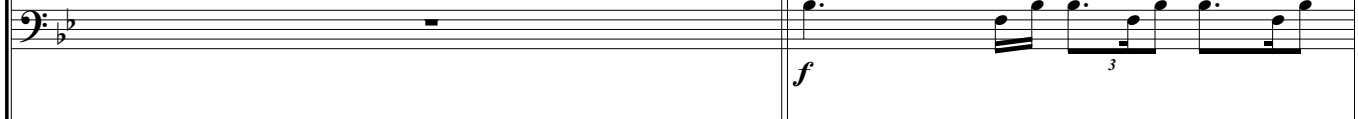
Bsn.  *f*

Hn. 1  *f* 3

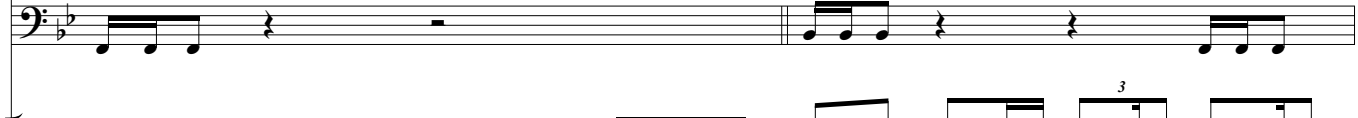
Hn. 2  *f* 3

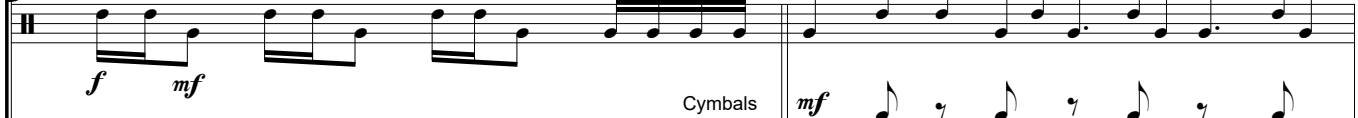
B♭ Tpt. 1  3

B♭ Tpt. 2  3

Tbn. 1  *f* 3

Tuba 

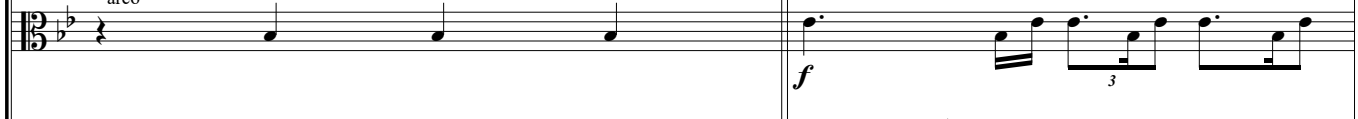
Timp. 

Perc. I  *f* *mf* Cymbals *mf* 3

Perc. II  *mf*

Vln. I  *f* 3

Vln. II  *f* 3

Vla.  *f* 3

Vc.  *f*

Cb.  *f*

152

Picc.

Bsn.

Hn. 1

Hn. 2

B $\flat$ Tpt. 1

B $\flat$ Tpt. 2

Tbn. 1

Tuba

Timp.

Perc. I

Perc. II

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

mf

mf

154

Picc.

Ob.

B♭ Cl.

Bsn.

Hn. 1

Hn. 2

B♭ Tpt. 1

B♭ Tpt. 2

Tbn. 1

Tuba

Perc. I

Perc. II

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

mf

mf

156

Score for *Majestic Overture* by Vanessa McClintock, measures 156-157.

Instrumentation includes: Picc., Bsn., Hn. 1, Hn. 2, B $\flat$ Tpt. 1, B $\flat$ Tpt. 2, Tbn. 1, Tuba, Perc. I, Perc. II, Vln. I, Vln. II, Vla., Vc., and Cb.

Measures 156-157 show a complex orchestral texture. The Piccolo plays a rapid eighth-note melody with triplets. The Basset Horn, Horns, Trumpets, Trombones, and Tuba provide harmonic support. The Percussion section features a driving eighth-note pattern. The Violins, Viola, and Cello play a melodic line, while the Double Bass plays a steady eighth-note accompaniment.

Dynamic markings include *mf* (mezzo-forte) for the Violins and Percussion II.

158

Picc.

Bsn.

Hn. 1

Hn. 2

B $\flat$ Tpt. 1

B $\flat$ Tpt. 2

Tbn. 1

Tbn. 2

Perc. I

Perc. II

mf cresc. choke to crash cymbals

160

Picc. $3+3+2$ $\frac{3}{8}$ f

Ob. $3+3+2$ $\frac{3}{8}$ f

B♭ Cl. $3+3+2$ $\frac{3}{8}$ f

Bsn. $3+3+2$ $\frac{3}{8}$

Hn. 1 $3+3+2$ $\frac{3}{8}$

Hn. 2 $3+3+2$ $\frac{3}{8}$

B♭ Tpt. 1 $3+3+2$ $\frac{3}{8}$

B♭ Tpt. 2 $3+3+2$ $\frac{3}{8}$

Tbn. 1 $3+3+2$ $\frac{3}{8}$

Tbn. 2 $3+3+2$ $\frac{3}{8}$

B. Tbn. $3+3+2$ $\frac{3}{8}$ f ff

Tuba $3+3+2$ $\frac{3}{8}$ f ff

Timp. $3+3+2$ $\frac{3}{8}$ f

Perc. I $3+3+2$ $\frac{3}{8}$ ff

Vln. I $3+3+2$ $\frac{3}{8}$ f

Vln. II $3+3+2$ $\frac{3}{8}$ f

Vla. $3+3+2$ $\frac{3}{8}$ f

Vc. $3+3+2$ $\frac{3}{8}$ f

Cb. (arco) $3+3+2$ $\frac{3}{8}$ f

162

tr
Ω

Picc.

Ob.

B♭ Cl.

Bsn.

Hn. 1

Hn. 2

B♭ Tpt. 1

f

B♭ Tpt. 2

f

Tbn. 1

ff

Tbn. 2

ff

B. Tbn.

Tuba

Timp.

f

f

Perc. I

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

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164

Picc.

Ob.

B♭ Cl.

Bsn.

Hn. 1

Hn. 2

B♭ Tpt. 1

B♭ Tpt. 2

Tbn. 1

Tbn. 2

B. Tbn.

Tuba

Timp.

Perc. I

Perc. II

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

Crash Cymbals

choke

f

ff