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# Beat Routes

(3.75 to the Floor)

for four percussions

1999 - 2000



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## SOLOIST / ELECTRIC DRUMS

Yamaha DTX system:

- MIDI drum pads and pedals plus the DTX central unit controlling
- the Yamaha DTX sound module
  - an electronic drum sound module (Novation Drumstation).
  - an additional synthesizer (Korg Prophecy)

There is no tape.

The soloist plays the music on the stave marked 'Dr'. Both sounds of the Yamaha DTX sound module and Novation Drumstation are used in the soloist's part. In bars 215-258 the soloist also plays the bass synth with drum pads (see below).

70 MIDI patterns (loops) are pre-programmed into the sequencer of the DTX instrument. The soloist starts and changes the patterns while playing, using a pedal or a pad. Each boxed letter+number (A1, A2, K3, etc.) marks a change of pattern.

In addition to the drum patterns marked in the score with 'P', the synthesizer patterns ('S') are pre-programmed, with the exception of bars 215-258.

The synthesizer patterns in G1, G2, G3, H1, H2, H4 and H5 are played by the soloist using two drum pads. The notes are pre-programmed to each pad, so that each hit advances the note sequence by one step.

Analogue-type, sharp bass sounds are used in the S part (Korg Prophecy).

Electronic drum sounds are used in the patterns: bass drum, snare drum, hand clap, open and closed hihat, cymbals sounds etc. from the Roland TR-808 and TR-909 analogue drum modules. The Novation Drumstation produces these sounds.

Each type of sound is directed to its own channel in the PA mixer.

**MIDI MIXER:** In B2-B11 the soloist plays wood block sounds with three pads. Each pad is assigned its own wood block sound (low, middle, high) and its own MIDI channel. The MIDI volume of these channels is controlled with a fader box (MIDI mixer). During B1-B11 the TIMPANIST improvises with these faders, producing varying patterns of rests in the soloist's continuous part.

The tuning and distortion of the TR-909 drum sound in the Drumstation are also controlled with MIDI faders. In the CADENZA (N) the timpanist pulls these faders up.

N (Bar 374) - CADENZA

Soloist improvises while the sound technicians use a wide variety of wild effects.

## TWO PERCUSSIONISTS

Shakers, Claves, Snare drum, Tubular bells, Tamtam

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## TWO SOUND TECHNICIANS / LIVE PROCESSING

Acoustic instruments (with microphones):

Timpani - distortion effect

Tubular bells - chorus effect

Hand claps (real) - compression, reverb, distortion, EQ, in order to imitate the hand clap sound of analogue drum synths

Electric instruments:

Synthesizer ('S') patterns - filter sweeps

Wood block sounds in B - filter sweeps

N = soloist's cadenze - improvised effects



# Beat Routes

[1]  $\text{♩} = 130$

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Perc. I

Perc. II

Timp.

Synth.

Drums

Patterns

[3]

WOOD BLOCK lo

I

II

T

S

Dr

P

[5] A1

WOOD BLOCK hi

I

II

TIMBALES hi

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9

I      *p*

II      on the rim  
x x x x x x x x x x x x x x x x

T

S

Dr

P

13 A2

I

II      *mf*      *f*

T      *ff*

S

Dr

P

18

I

II      TIMB. low  
*f*



21

I

II

T

S

Dr

P

25

I

II

T

S

Dr

P

29 A3

I

II



[32]

I

II

T

S

BASS DR. SNARE

Dr

P

[35]

I

II

T

S

Dr

P

[38]

I

II

T

S

Dr

P

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41

CYMBAL

A4

I

II

T

S

Dr

P

44

pp cresc.

I

II

T

S

Dr

P

46

I

II

T

S

Dr

P



[49]

I  
II  
T  
S  
Dr  
P

[51] [B1] HAND CLAPS

I  
II  
T  
S  
Dr  
P

*(l.v.)*

CYMBAL WOOD BLOCKS

BASS DRUM

[53] [B2]

I  
II

HAND CLAPS



57 B3

I  
II  
T  
S  
Dr  
P

61 B4

I  
II  
T  
S  
Dr  
P

65 B5

I  
II



69

I      II      T      S      Dr      P

72      B6

I      II      T      S      Dr      P

76

I      II



[79] [B7]

I

II

T

S

Dr

P

[83]

I

II

T

S

Dr

P

[86] [B8]

[B9]

I

II

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91

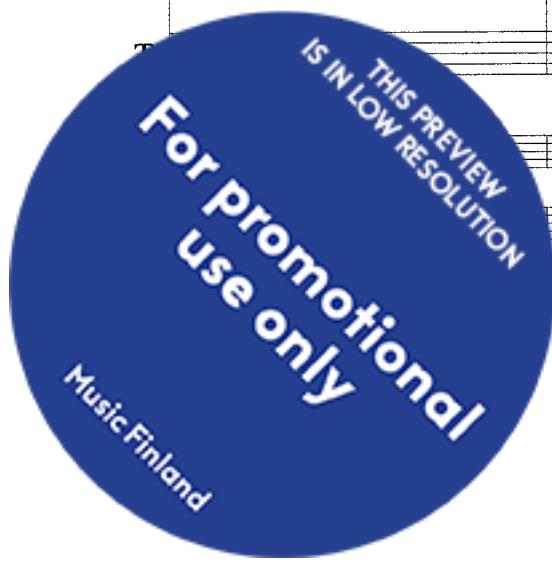
I      II      T      S      Dr      P

95 [B10]

I      II      T      S      Dr      P

98

I      II      T      S      Dr      P



102 [B11] CLAVES

I  
II  
T  
S  
Dr  
P

106

I  
II  
T  
S  
Dr  
P

109 [C1]

I  
II  
T

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113

I  
II  
T  
S  
Dr  
P

C2

117

I  
II  
T  
S  
Dr  
P

C3 CYMBAL

C4 WOOD BLOCK lo

*ppp cresc.*

120

I  
II  
T

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123 C5

I      II      T      S      Dr      P

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I      II      T      S      Dr      P

131 D1  $\text{♩} = 149$

I      II      T

CYMBAL

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134

I                    TIMB. hi

II

T

S

Dr

P

139 D2

I

(cymb.)

II

T

S

Dr

P

142

I

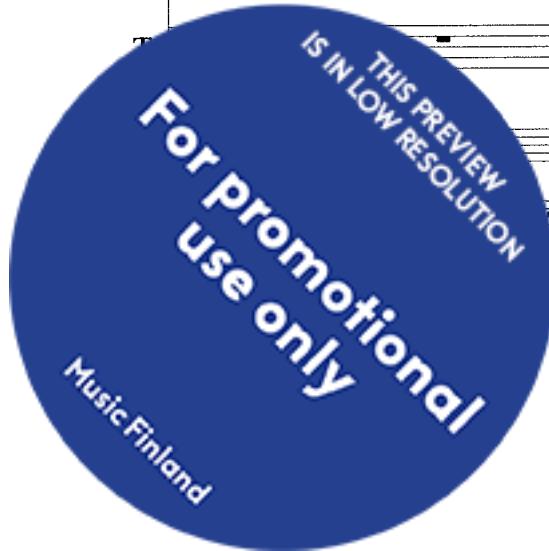
II

T

S

Dr

P



145 D3  
WB hi

I  
II  
T  
S  
Dr  
P

149 lo

I  
II  
T  
S  
Dr  
P

152 D4  
TIMB.

I  
II  
T  
S  
Dr  
P

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I                   II                   T                   S                   Dr                   P

160 D5 CYMB.

I                   II                   T                   S                   Dr                   P

164

I                   II                   T                   S                   Dr                   P

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167 E1

I            II            T            S            Dr            P

170

D#>F#, A#>B, C#>E

I            II            T            S            Dr            P

BASS DR.  
HIHAT  
DRUMS

173 E2

I            II            T            S            Dr            P



176 [E3]

I      | :. . : z z z | z z z z z | z z z z z |

II     | . z z z z | z z z z z | z z z z z |

T      | : - - - - | - - - - - | - - - - - |

S      | : - - - - | - - - - - | - - - - - |

Dr     | : z z z z | z z z z z | z z z z z |

P      | : p z z z | z z z z z | z z z z z |

179 [F1]

I      | : o - - - - | - - - - - | - - - - - |

II     | : z z z z z | - - - - - | - - - - - |

T      | : # z z z z z | z z z z z | z z z z z |

S      | : - - - - - | - - - - - | - - - - - |

Dr     | : z z z z z | z z z z z | z z z z z |

P      | : p p p p p | p p p p p | p p p p p |

semper l.v.

183 [F2] SNARE DR.

I      | . z z z z | z z z z z | z z z z z |

II     | z z z z z | - - - - - | - - - - - |

T      | : z z z z z | z z z z z | z z z z z |

Dr     | : z z z z z | z z z z z | z z z z z |

P      | : p p p p p | p p p p p | p p p p p |

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187 [F3]

I

II

T

S

Dr

P

sempre l.v.

191 [F4] rim shot

I

II

T

S

Dr

P

sempre l.v.

195 [F5]

I

II

T

S

Dr

P

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199 F6

I

II

T

S

Dr

P

203 F7

I

II

T

S

Dr

P

207 F8

I

II

T

Dr

P

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211 F9

TUBULAR BELLS

I

II

T

S

Dr

P

215 G1

CYMBAL

SYNTH.

I

II

T

S

Dr

P

219

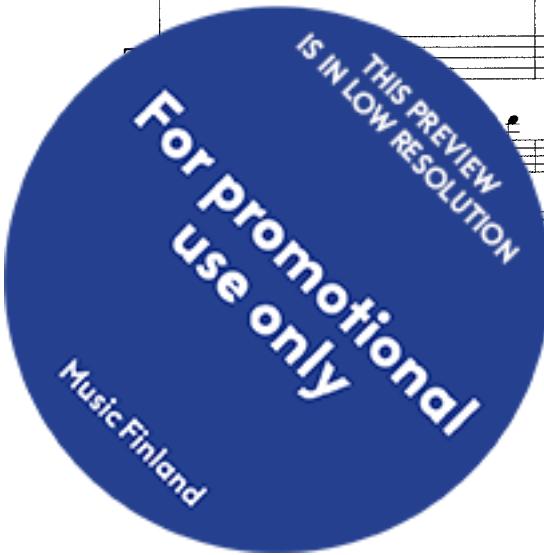
I

II

S

Dr

P



223 [G2]

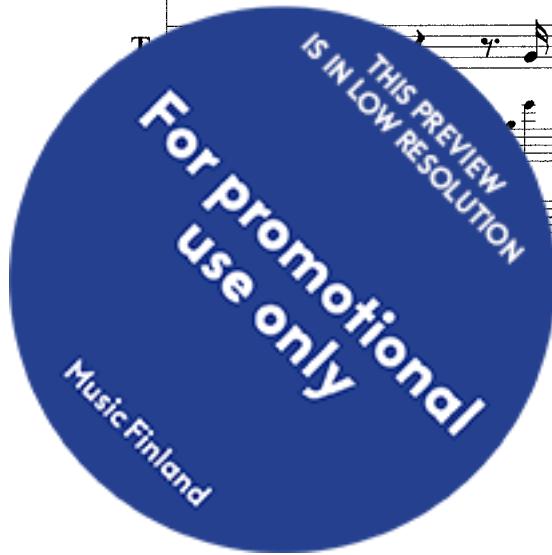
Musical score page 223, section G2. The score includes parts for I, II, T, S, Dr, and P. The vocal parts (I, II, T) sing a melody in 3/4 time. The Soprano (S) part features rapid sixteenth-note patterns. The Drums (Dr) and Piano (P) provide harmonic support.

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Musical score page 227. The vocal parts (I, II, T) continue their melody. The Soprano (S) part maintains its sixteenth-note patterns. The Drums (Dr) and Piano (P) provide harmonic support.

231 [G3]

Musical score page 231, section G3. The vocal parts (I, II, T) sing a melody in 3/4 time. The Soprano (S) part features rapid sixteenth-note patterns. The Drums (Dr) and Piano (P) provide harmonic support.



235

I  
II  
T  
S  
Dr  
P

239 H1

I  
II  
T  
S  
Dr  
P

243 H2

I  
II  
T  
S  
Dr  
P



247 [H3]

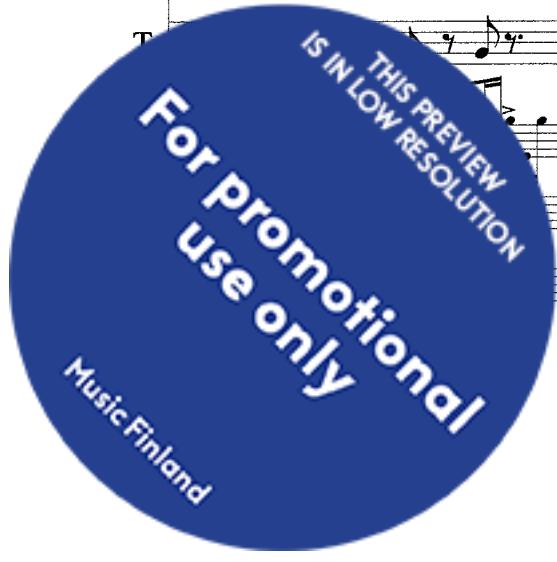
I  
II  
T  
S  
Dr  
P

251 [H4]

I  
II  
T  
S  
Dr  
P

255 [H5]

I  
II  
T



259

I                    II                    T                    S                    Dr                    P

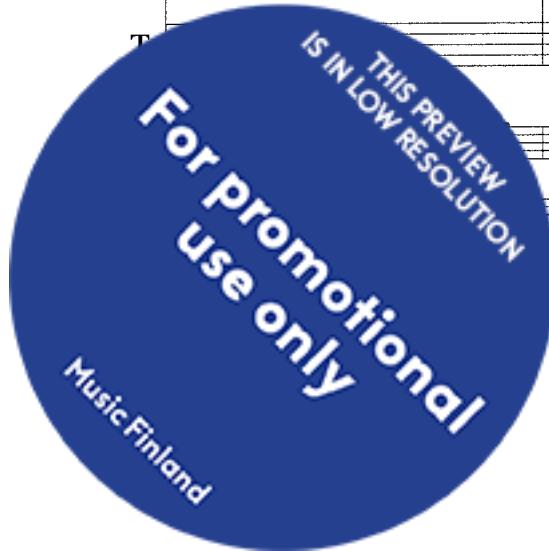
264 [I] = 159

I                    II                    T                    S                    Dr                    P

268

I                    II                    T

CYMBAL



**272**      **I2**

I  
 II      TIMB  
on the rim  
 T  
 S  
 Dr      **HIGHATS AD LIB.**  
 P

**276**

I  
 II  
 T  
 S  
 Dr  
 P

**280**      **J1**

I  
 II      (timb.)  
 T

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284 J2

I  
II  
T  
S  
Dr  
P

288 J3

I  
II  
T  
S  
Dr  
P

292 K1  $\text{♩} = 91$

I  
II  
T



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296 [K2]

I

II

T

S

Dr DRUMS AD LIB.

P

300 [K3]

I

II

T

S

Dr

P

304 [K4]

I

II

T



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308 [K5]

I      II      T      S      Dr      P

311 [K6]

I      II      T      S      Dr      P

314 [L1] =  
d=146

I      II      T      S      Dr      P

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I      II      T      S      Dr      P

L2

323

I      II      T      S      Dr      P

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I      II      T

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I

II CYMB.

T GRAN CASSA

S

Dr

P

332

I

II

T

S

CYMBALS

Dr

P

335 M2

I

II

T

S

Dr

P



338

I  
II  
T  
S  
Dr  
P

M3  
341 TAMTAM

I  
II  
T  
S  
Dr  
P

344

I  
II  
T  
S  
Dr  
P

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347 M4

I

II

T

S

Dr

P

$\text{♩} = 183$

350 M5

I

II

T

S

Dr

P

353 M6

I

II

T

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357 M7

I  
II  
T  
S  
Dr  
P

360 M8

I  
II  
T  
S  
Dr  
P

364 M10

I  
II  
T  
S  
Dr  
P

364 M11

I  
II  
T  
S  
Dr  
P

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[368] [M12]  $\text{♩} = 228 \quad \text{♩} = \text{♪ ♪}$

I  
II  
T  
S  
Dr  
P

[371]

I  
II  
T  
S  
Dr  
P

[374] [N]

I  
II  
T

