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for chamber orchestra with jouhikko

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Instrumentation:

Flute (doubling on Piccolo)

Oboe

Clarinet I in E♭

Clarinet II in B♭ (doubling on Bass Cl.)

Bassoon

Horn in F

Trumpet in C

Trombone

Percussion:

Gran Cassa

Low Tom Tom

Tam Tam

Crash Cymbal (suspended)

Splash Cymbal (suspended)

Glockenspiel

Cowbell (suspended)

Claves

Guiro

Slapstick

Piano

Jouhikko (Finnish Bowed Lyre) in F*

Violin I

Violin II

Viola

Cello

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Version B: for chamber orchestra with jouhikko

Score in C

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Moderato Capriccioso

$\text{♩} = 92$

Flute, Oboe, Clarinet I (E \flat), Clarinet II (B \flat /Bass), Bassoon. Measures 1-5. Dynamics: $n - mf - n$, $n - mf - n$, $n - mf - n$, $n - mf - n$.

Moderato Capriccioso

$\text{♩} = 92$

Horn, C Trumpet, Trombone. Measures 1-5.

Percussion (Claves) pp , Piano. Measures 1-5. Dynamics: pp , mf . Instructions: depress keys silently, hold with sustain pedal; strum strings with plectrum in one quick motion inside piano; *L.v.*; *Sos.*

Moderato Capriccioso

$\text{♩} = 92$

Jouhikko, Violin 1. Measures 1-5. Jouhikko dynamics: f , p , p . Violin 1 dynamics: $sul A$, $n - mf -$, $sul D$, $n - mf -$, $sul G$, $n - mf -$, $sul D$, $n - mf -$. Instructions: very rhythmically! (unfingered sliding mordant), continuous glissando, small noteheads indicate appx. bowing rhythm (sempre on string) and pitch contour.



A

Fl.

Ob.

Cl. I

Cl. II

Bsn.

Hn.

C Tpt.

Tbn.

Perc.

Pno.

Jhk.

Vln. 1

Vln. 2

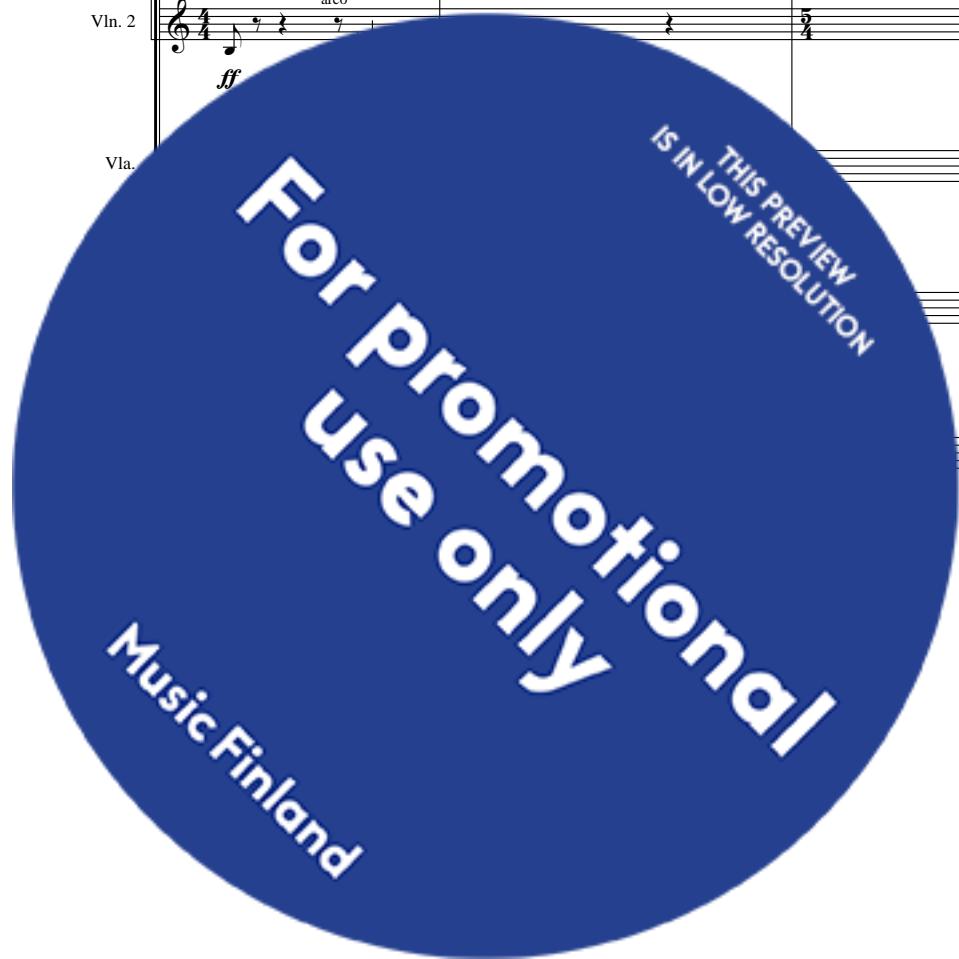
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B

Original tempo

$\text{♩} = 92$

Fl. *-pitch*

Ob. *ff* *n*

Cl. I. *f* *II:8* *5* *5* *5* *ppp*

Cl. II. *f* *9:8* *9:8* *9:8* *ppp*

Bsn. *f* *ppp*

espr, freely *n* *mp*

Original tempo

$\text{♩} = 92$ *dolce*

Hn.

C Tpt.

Tbn. *mf*

Perc. *Glockenspiel* (sounds 15va) *l.v.* *ff*

Pno. *quick scrape, sustaining pitch should be heard clearly* *l.v.* *ff* *mp* *3* *8* *Reo.*

Jhk.

Vln. 1 *mf* *ord.*

Vln. 2

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Fl.

Ob.

Cl. I

Cl. II

Bsn.

Hn. (hand glissando)

C Tpt.

Tbn.

Perc

Pno.

Jhk.

Vln. 1

Vln. 2

Vla.

molto accel.

(lip glissando)

(reverse mouthpiece)

molto accel.

freely, espr.

f

mf

mp

molto accel.

esp.

3

mf

p

mp

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C

Fl. (x2) ♩ = 184 ♩ = 138

Ob.

Cl. I

Cl. II

Bsn. (enunciate syllables, outside of instrument) "T K T K..." "T K T K..." "ssS" "...SSST" ff

Hn. (wind noise blow through reversed mouthpiece) p "ff" (stop sound abruptly by ramming tongue into front teeth) "ff" (enunciate syllables, outside of instrument) "T K T K..." "T K T K..." "ssS" "...SSST" ff

C Tpt. (enunciate syllables, outside of instrument) "T K T K..." "T K T K..." "T K T K..." "ssS" "...SSST" ff

Tbn. (enunciate syllables, outside of instrument) "T K T K..." "T K T K..." "T K T K..." plunger mute p f (Glockenspiel)

Perc

Pno.

Jhk. (x2) ♩ = 184 ♩ = 138 freely improvise harmonic glissandos, periodic tremolos (sul G, sul pont) f

Vln. 1 p pp

Vln. 2

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Fl. (mostly wind noise) *n* *mp* *n*

Ob. (enunciate syllables, outside of instrument) "Shh..." *mf p*

Cl. I (enunciate syllables, outside of instrument) "Shh..." *mf p*

Cl. II (enunciate syllables, outside of instrument) "Shh..." *mf p*

Bsn. (enunciate syllables, outside of instrument) "Shh..." *mf p*

Hn. wind noise "f"

C Tpt. (enunciate syllables, outside of instrument) "Shh..." *mf p*

Tbn. plunger mute *pp* *mp* *p*

Perc (small soft mallets) G.C. *pp* *mp* *p*

Pno. (enunciate syllables) "Shh..." *mf p*

Jhk. apprx pitch *mp* *mp cresc* *ff*

Vln. 1 on wood of bridge (no pitch, avoid metallic squeak) "f"

Vln. 2 on wood of bridge (no pitch, avoid metallic squeak) "f"

Vla. pod of bridge (no pitch, avoid metallic squeak) "f"

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D

Fl. *...sshT"* *f ff*

Ob. *...sshT"* *f ff*

Cl. I. *...sshT"* *f ff*

Bass Cl. *bring out high harmonics, (like a didgeridoo)* *f ff*

Cl. II. *(sub tacet)* *f ff*

Bsn. *...sshT"* *f ff*

Hn. *...sshT"* *f*

C Tpt. *...sshT"* *f*

Tbn. *f pp*

Perc. *mf* *pp pp* *ff*

(with wood of mallets) *Low Tom*

Pno. *ff* *mp* *f ff* *Sos. -*

Jhk.

Vln. 1. *n* *f* *(sub tacet)*

Vln. 2. *ord., tenuto* *(sub tacet)*

Vcl. *(sub tacet)* *pp ff* *n*

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ad lib. colla parte

Fl.

Ob.

Cl. I

Cl. II

Bsn.

Hn.

C Tpt.

Tbn.

Perc

Splash *

Pno.

(8^{va}) (black keys)

(sub. tacet)

(white keys)

*

Jhk.

Vln. 1

Vln. 2

ad lib. colla parte

**solo ad lib.
(rubato, but faster: $\text{♩} = 108$)**

poco 5 poco 5

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Jhk. apprx pitch (sim.) 5 apprx. pitch till m.52 →

a tempo ♩ = 92

Fl. Ob. Cl. I Cl. II Bsn.

Hn. C Tpt. Tbn. Perc. Pno.

a tempo ♩ = 92

Jhk. (sul B, G) ord. bowing alternate between (approximate) major 6th and perfect 5th finger positions, executing a continuous, upward glissando. (as high as possible) improvise harmonic tremolos, link smoothly with harmonic gliss. in following measure

inside piano: dampen low A string with fingertip just beyond tuning peg. Move finger along string towards damper as indicated, bringing out different harmonics. The fundamental should not sound clearly

harmonic gliss. sul B

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Fl. 60 *ord.* *mf* *mp* *p* *sub. tacet*

Ob. *mp* *p* *sub. tacet*

Cl. I. *mp* *p* *sub. tacet*

Cl. II. *mp* *p* *sub. tacet*

Bsn.

Hn. 60 *ord.* *120*

C Tpt.

Tbn.

Perc. 60 *Glockenspiel* *mp* *depres keys silently,
hold with sostenuto pedal*

Pno. 60 *Sos.* *(through m. 65)* *ord.* (roll before beat) *mf* *za*

Jhk. 60 *ord.* *120* *mp* *mf* *ord.* *5* *5*

Vln. 1. 60 *arco* *n* *mp* *ord.* *mf*

Vln. 2. 60 *arco* *n* *mp* *ord.* *9:8* *mf* *ord.* *mf* *ord.* *mf* *ord.* *mf* *non vib.* *za* *p*



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Fl. *ff* — *n*

Ob.

Cl. I

Cl. II

Bsn.

Hn. *ppp* — *ff*

C Tpt. *ppp* — *ff*

Tbn. *ppp* — *ff*

Perc *p* *Glockenspiel* (8va) —

Pno. (Sos)*

Jhk.

Vln. 1 *n* — *pp* *ff*

Vln. 2 *n* — *ff*

Vla. *sul G* *n* — *ff p* *ff* *n* — *on string*

74 switch to Piccolo

Fl.

Ob.

Cl. I

Cl. II

Bsn.

Hn.

C Tpt.

Tbn.

Perc

Pno.

Jhk.

Vln. 1

Vln. 2

Vla.

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78

Fl.

Ob.

Cl. I

Cl. II

Bsn.

Hn. "rip" gliss.
to as high as possible

C Tpt. "rip" gliss.
to as high as possible

Tbn. "rip" gliss.
to as high as possible

Perc Crash n ff Cowbell (rattle stick inside bell)

Pno. fff

Jhk.

Vln. 1 ff

Vln. 2 sul G n mp ff

Vla. sul C n mp ff

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Piccolo (sounds 8va)

G

Fl. *f*

Ob. gradually slow trill to 16ths *ff* *p*

Cl. I. gradually slow trill to 16ths *ff* *p*

Cl. II. gradually slow trill to 16ths *ff* *p*

Bsn. gradually slow trill to 16ths *ff* *p*

Hn.

C Tpt.

Tbn.

Perc.

Pno. *ff*

Jhk.

Vln. 1

Vln. 2

Vla.

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Fl.

Ob.

Cl. I

Cl. II

Bsn.

Hn.

C Tpt.

Tbn.

Perc

Pno.

Jhk.

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Vln. 2

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H

Fl. *Ob.* *Ct. I* *Ct. II* *Bsn.*

Hn. *C Tpt.* *Tbn.*

Perc.

Pno.

Jhk. *Vln. 1* *Vln. 2* *Vla.*

Fl. *Ob.* *Ct. I* *Ct. II* *Bsn.*

Hn. *C Tpt.* *Tbn.*

Perc.

Pno.

Jhk. *Vln. 1* *Vln. 2* *Vla.*

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I

Fl. *ff*

Ob. *f*

Cl. I *f*

Cl. II *f*

Bsn. *f*

Hn. *mf* *ff*

C Tpt.

Tbn. *mf* *ff*

Perc *Crash x.* *n* *ff (non troppo)*

Pno. *ff* *p* *f* *(R.H.)* *8va* *8vb* *(land on the beat!)*

Jhk.

Vln. 1 *f*

Vln. 2 *f*

Vla. *pp* *V (etc.)* *4:3* *3:2* *pp* *V (etc.)* *4:3* *3:2* *f* *p* *f* *p*

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J

Fl. ff

Ob. ff

Cl. I solo ff

Cl. II ff

Bsn. ff

Hn. ff

C Tpt. ff

Tbn. ff

Perc Low Tom ff (non troppo)

Pno. ff

Jhk.

Vln. 1 ff

Vln. 2 ff

Vla.

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102 switch to Piccolo

Fl.

Ob. ff

Cl. I ff

Cl. II ff

Bsn. ff

Piccolo (sounds 8va)

Hn. ff

C Tpt. ff

Tbn. ff

Perc G.C. ff (non troppo) Tam Tam n fff l.v. (dampen gradually)

Pno. ff

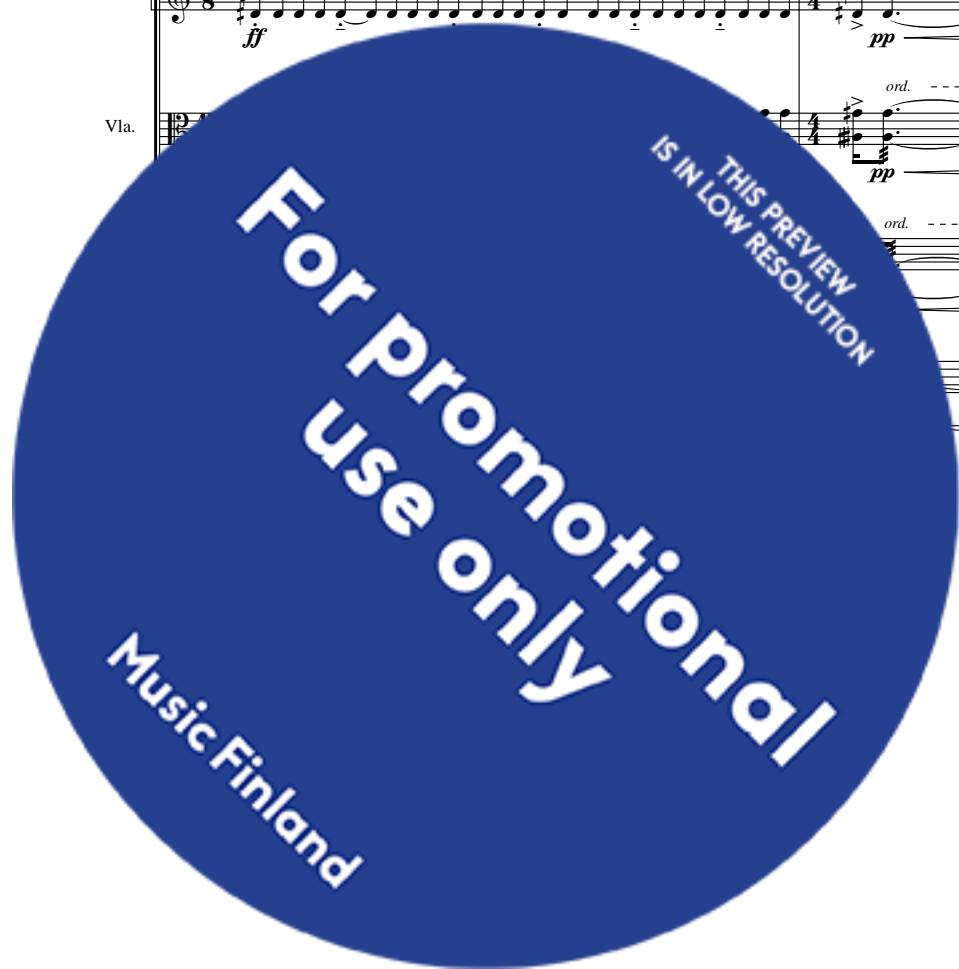
Jhk.

Vln. 1 ff pp fff almost overpressure poco sul pont. ord. f

Vln. 2 ff pp fff almost overpressure poco sul pont. ord. f

Vla. ff pp fff almost overpressure poco sul pont. ord. f

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K

Adagio Sostenuto

$\text{♩} = 50$

Fl.

Ob.

Cl. I

Cl. II switch to B♭ Cl.

Bsn.

Adagio Sostenuto

$\text{♩} = 50$

Hn.

C Tpt.

Tbn.

Perc

Pno.

Adagio Sostenuto

$\text{♩} = 50$

Jhk.

Vln. 1 dolce, expr.

Vln. 2

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Fl. *Flute* *jet whistle*

Ob. *f*

Cl. I *mp* *ppp*

Cl. II

Bsn.

Hn. *114*

C Tpt.

Tbn. *plunger mute* *+ - - o* *pp* *f*

Perc *Splash* *f*

Pno. *(15^{ma})* *5 (sempre l.v. till pedal change)* *5* *pp* *5* *pp*

Jhk. *n* *<f* *n* *delicato* *3* *n* *mp*

Vln. 1 *8va*

Vln. 2

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Fl. mostly air,
enunciate syllables while playing
"T K T K..." f n

Ob. 6 mf pp

Cl. I 6 mf pp

Cl. II Bb Cl. 6 pp mf

Bsn. 6 pp mf

M sim. 6 3 "T K T K..." f n 7 pp ff 7 pp ff 6 pp ff

Hn. 6 pp f 3 pp ff

C Tpt. 6 pp f

Tbn. o-----+ +-----o-----+ f pp pp f n

Perc Low Tom f Crash (on bell) f

Pno. (15^{ma}) ppp *Adagio*

Jhk. 3 mp n

Vln. 1 (8^{va})

Vln. 2 almost overpressure f n

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128 switch to Piccolo

N
a bit faster $\text{♩} = 120$

Fl.
Ob.
Cl. I
Cl. II
Bsn.

128

Hn.
C Tpt.
Tbn.

Perc

128

Pno.

(15^{ma})

p
ppp

20

G.C.

n

128

Jhk.

128

Vln. 1

delicato

(8^{va})

Vln. 2

(smooth glissando on one continuous bow; notes in parentheses only indicate contour)

(smooth glissando on one continuous bow; notes in parentheses only indicate contour)

(smooth glissando on one continuous bow; notes in parentheses only indicate contour)

(smooth glissando on one continuous bow; sul A notes in parentheses only indicate contour)

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Piccolo
sounds 8va)

Fl. *ff* (non-legato) *p* legato *mf* *pp*

Ob. *ff* (non-legato) *p* legato *mf* *pp*

Cl. I *ff* (non-legato) *p* legato *mf* *pp*

Cl. II *ff* (non-legato) *p* legato *mf* *pp*

Bsn. *ff* (non-legato) *p* legato *mf* *pp*

Hn. *ff* (3) *p* *n* (3) *ppp* (9:8)

C Tpt. *ff* (3) *p* *n* *ppp*

Tbn. *ff* (3) *p* *n* *ppp*

Perc. *f* *Crash* *n*

Pno. *ff* (3) *p* INSIDE PIANO: while playing the notated keys, place finger tips a few centimeters past dampers on G and A strings to produce 7th harmonics. If this harmonic is unavailable on the model of piano used in performance, substitute another harmonic. Avoid the sound of the fundamental or its octave transpositions.

Jhk.

Vln. 1 (sul A, D) (separate slurred groups slightly) *v* *v* *v* *v* *pp* *v* *v* *v* *v* *pp* *v* *v* *v* *v* *pp* *v* *v* *v* *v* *pp*

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andante ritmico ♩ = 92

Fl.

Ob.

Cl. I

Cl. II

Bsn.

andante ritmico ♩ = 92

Hn.

C Tpt.

Tbn.

Perc

Pno. (sounding pitches) **p**

andante ritmico ♩ = 92

Jhk. *idiomatic groove,
leggero ma molto esp.* **mp**

Vln. 1

Vln. 2

