

OPEN UP!

overture for percussion version III: large percussion ensemble

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duration c. 3'10"

energico ♩ = c. 148

rep. ad. lib

*ad. lib. walk on stage
after xylophone is
on stage*

The score is written for a large percussion ensemble. It consists of 14 staves, each with a specific instrument or group of instruments. The time signature is 4/4, which changes to 3/4 for the final measure of each staff. The score is divided into two main sections by a double bar line. The first section is marked 'energico' and 'rep. ad. lib'. The second section is marked 'ad. lib. walk on stage' and includes specific performance instructions for the xylophone and woodblock. The instruments are: Glockenspiel, Xylophone, Vibraphone, Marimba 1, Marimba 2, Marimba 3 (low C), Tubular Bells, Timpani, Snaredrum, Snare drum 2 (snares off) / Tenor/field drum, Tom Toms (4), Aux.Percussion 1: triangle, tambourine, claves, Aux.Percussion 2: woodblock, susp. cymb., ride cymb, Aux.Percussion 3: hihat, susp. cymb., splash cymb. (shared with perc. 4), Aux.Percussion 4: splash cymb., cymb. a2, gong, and Concert Bass Drum. The score includes various musical notations such as rests, notes, and dynamic markings like *f* and *mf*.

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2
7

Glk. *f*

Xyl. *f*

Vib.

Mrb. *ad. lib. walk on stage after glockenspiel is on stage*

Mrb. *ad. lib. walk on stage after glockenspiel is on stage*

Mrb.

T.B.

Timp. *p*

S.Dr.

S.Dr.2

Toms

Aux.1 *ad. lib. walk on stage after hihat is on stage*

Aux.2

Aux.3 (closed) *mf*

Aux.4 splash cymb. *f*

B. Dr.

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Glk.

Xyl.

Vib.

Mrb.

Mrb.

Mrb.

T.B.

Timp.

12

S.Dr.

S.Dr.2

Toms

12

Aux.1

Aux.2

Aux.3

Aux.4

12

B. Dr.

B

f

f

walk on stage after marimbas are on stage

ad. lib. walk on stage after triangle is on stage

triangle

• = muted stroke

f

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4
16

Glk.

Xyl.

Vib.

Mrb.

Mrb.

Mrb.

T.B.

Timp.

16

S.Dr.

S.Dr.2

Toms

16

Aux.1

Aux.2

Aux.3

Aux.4

16

B. Dr.

C

Glk. *f*

Xyl. *f*

Vib.

Mrb. *f*

Mrb. *f*

Mrb.

T.B. *ff* L.V.

Timp. *ff*

S.Dr. *f* *ad. lib. walk on stage after snaredrum is on stage*

S.Dr.2 *ad. lib. walk on stage after snaredrum is on stage*

Toms

Aux.1 *mf*

Aux.2

Aux.3 *f* cymb. a2

Aux.4 *f*

B. Dr.

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22

Glk.

Xyl.

Vib.

Mrb.

Mrb.

Mrb.

T.B.

Timp.

S.Dr.

S.Dr.2

Toms

Aux.1

Aux.2

Aux.3

Aux.4

B. Dr.

cresc.

f

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8
28

Glk. *deadstroke*

Xyl. *deadstroke*

Vib.

Mrb. *>*

Mrb. *>*

Mrb.

T.B.

Timp. *p*

S.Dr. *rimshot* *>* *f* *p*

S.Dr.2 *p*

Toms *p*

Aux.1 *>*

Aux.2

Aux.3 *>*

Aux.4 *splash cymb.*

B. Dr. *ad. lib. walk on stage*

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10
35

Glk. *f*

Xyl.

Vib.

Mrb. *f*

Mrb.

Mrb. *f*

T.B.

Timp. *cresc.*

S.Dr. *f*

S.Dr.2 *f*

Toms

Aux.1

Aux.2

Aux.3

Aux.4

B. Dr. *p cresc.*

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12
43

Glk.

Xyl.

Vib.

Mrb.

Mrb.

Mrb.

T.B.

Timp.

S.Dr.

S.Dr.2

Toms

Aux.1

Aux.2

Aux.3

Aux.4

B. Dr.

mf *f*

p *f*

tenor drum or
fielddrum

mf *f*

mf *f*

susp. cymb.
(with mallets)

p *f*

closed

mf *f*

f *dry*

mf *f*

to Eb

Detailed description of the musical score: The score is for a percussion ensemble. It begins at measure 12 and continues to measure 43. The instruments are arranged in a standard orchestral layout. The Glockenspiel (Glk.) and Xylophone (Xyl.) play melodic lines. The Maracas (Mrb.) provide a rhythmic accompaniment. The Snare Drum (S.Dr.) and Snare Drum 2 (S.Dr.2) play a steady beat. The Tom-toms (Toms) play a rhythmic pattern. The Auxiliary 2 (Aux.2) plays a suspended cymbal with mallets. The Auxiliary 3 (Aux.3) plays a closed cymbal. The Bass Drum (B. Dr.) plays a rhythmic pattern. The dynamics are marked as *mf* (mezzo-forte) and *f* (fortissimo). The key signature changes to E-flat major at measure 43, indicated by 'to Eb'. The score is titled 'OPEN UP!'.

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F

49

Glk.

Xyl.

Vib.

Mrb.

Mrb.

Mrb.

T.B.

Timp.

49

S.Dr.

S.Dr.2

Toms

49

Aux.1

Aux.2

Aux.3

Aux.4

49

B. Dr.

L.V.

(loco)

f

f

L.V.

to F

mf

tambourine

f

ride cymb.

susp. cymb.

p

f

f

OPEN UP!

14
54

Glk.

Xyl.

Vib.

Mrb.

Mrb.

Mrb.

T.B.

Timp.

54

S.Dr.

S.Dr.2

Toms

54

Aux.1

Aux.2

Aux.3

Aux.4

54

B. Dr.

The musical score is for a percussion ensemble. It begins at measure 14 and includes a rehearsal mark at measure 54. The instruments are: Glockenspiel (Glk.), Xylophone (Xyl.), Vibraphone (Vib.), three Maracas (Mrb.), Tenor Bass (T.B.), Timpani (Timp.), Snare Drum (S.Dr.), Snare Drum 2 (S.Dr.2), Tom-toms (Toms), four Auxiliary Drums (Aux.1-4), and Bass Drum (B. Dr.). The score is written in 7/8 time. The key signature has one flat (B-flat). The dynamics are marked *mf* (mezzo-forte) for the snare drums. The timpani part includes a trill and a change to E-flat, indicated by the text "to Eb". The auxiliary drums are marked with 'x' for muffled hits. The bass drum has a simple rhythmic pattern.

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poco rit. **G** *poco meno mosso*

59

Glk. *mp* *p* *mp* *p*

Xyl. *mf*

Vib.

Mrb. *mf*

Mrb. *mf*

Mrb. *mf*

T.B.

Timp. *to Ab* *C to Db*

S.Dr. *mf*

S.Dr.2 *mf*

Toms

Aux.1 *triangle* *mp*

Aux.2 *mp* *L.V.* *L.V.*

Aux.3

Aux.4 *with brush* *L.V.*

B. Dr. *mp* *p*

Detailed description of the musical score: This page contains the percussion part for measures 59-61. The score is divided into two systems. The first system includes Glockenspiel (Glk.), Xylophone (Xyl.), Vibraphone (Vib.), three Maracas (Mrb.), Tenor Bass Drum (T.B.), and Timpani (Timp.). The second system includes Snare Drum (S.Dr.), Snare Drum 2 (S.Dr.2), Tom-toms (Toms), four Auxiliary percussion parts (Aux.1-4), and Bass Drum (B. Dr.). The key signature has one flat (B-flat). The tempo changes from 'poco rit.' to 'poco meno mosso' at measure 59, marked with a 'G' in a box. Dynamics include *mp*, *p*, *mf*, and *pp*. Performance instructions include 'triangle', 'L.V.' (left valve), and 'with brush'. Timpani has specific pitch changes: 'to Ab' and 'C to Db'. The score ends with a fermata over the final measure.

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16
65

Glk. *mp* *p* *p* *mf* *mp* *mf*

Xyl. *mf* *mp* *mf* *f* *espress.*

Vib.

Mrb. *mf* *mf*

Mrb. *mf* *mf*

Mrb. *mf* *f*

T.B.

Timp. *mf* *mf* *to Bb*

S.Dr. *mf* *rimclick*

S.Dr.2

Toms

Aux.1 *claves*

Aux.2 L.V. *mp* *w. drumstick* *mf* *• = on cup*

Aux.3 *hihat* *with rods or brushes* *mf*

Aux.4 L.V. L. *mf*

B. Dr. *mp*

71

Glk. *mf* *mp* *mp* *mf*

Xyl.

Vib.

Mrb.

Mrb.

Mrb.

T.B. *mf*

Timp. *to C*

71

S.Dr.

S.Dr.2

Toms

71

Aux.1

Aux.2

Aux.3

Aux.4

71

B. Dr.

Detailed description: This is a page of a musical score for percussion instruments, titled "OPEN UP!". The page number is 17. The score is divided into two systems. The first system includes parts for Glockenspiel (Glk.), Xylophone (Xyl.), Vibraphone (Vib.), three Maracas (Mrb.), Tom Tom Bell (T.B.), and Timpani (Timp.). The second system includes parts for Snare Drum (S.Dr.), Snare Drum 2 (S.Dr.2), Toms, four Auxiliary Drums (Aux.1-4), and Bass Drum (B. Dr.). The Glk. part features a melodic line with dynamics *mf*, *mp*, and *mf*, and includes triplet markings. The Timp. part has a dynamic marking *mf* and a note marked "to C". The Aux.3 part has a complex rhythmic pattern with accents and a "cov" marking. The B. Dr. part has a simple rhythmic pattern.

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18
76

poco accel.

a tempo

H

L.V.

Glk.

Xyl.

Vib.

Mrb.

Mrb.

Mrb.

T.B.

Timp.

S.Dr.

S.Dr.2

Toms

Aux.1

Aux.2

Aux.3

Aux.4

B. Dr.

Musical score for the first system (measures 76-77). It includes staves for Glk., Xyl., Vib., Mrb., T.B., Timp., S.Dr., S.Dr.2, Toms, Aux.1, Aux.2, Aux.3, and B. Dr. The score features various dynamics such as *f*, *ff*, and *p*, along with performance instructions like *rimshot*, *grad. open*, and *closed*.

Musical score for the second system (measures 78-79). It includes staves for Glk., Vib., Mrb., T.B., Timp., S.Dr., S.Dr.2, Toms, Aux.1, Aux.2, Aux.3, and B. Dr. The score features various dynamics such as *f*, *mf*, and *f dry*, along with performance instructions like *tambourine*, *susp. cymb.*, *drumstick*, and *gong*.

81

Glk.

Xyl.

Vib.

Mrb.

Mrb.

Mrb.

T.B.

low F to Eb

to F

Timp.

81

stickshot

stickshot

Toms

81

Aux.1

Aux.2

Aux.3

Aux.4

81

B. Dr.

Detailed description of the musical score: This page contains a percussion score for measures 81-84. The instruments are arranged in a grand staff. The Glockenspiel (Glk.) and Tubular Bells (T.B.) parts are in treble clef, while the Snare Drum (S.Dr.), Auxiliary 2 (Aux.2), and Bass Drum (B. Dr.) parts are in bass clef. The Vibraphone (Vib.) part is in treble clef. The Maracas (Mrb.) parts are in treble and bass clefs. The Xylophone (Xyl.) and Tom-toms (Toms) parts are in bass clef. The Auxiliary 1 (Aux.1) part is in bass clef. The Auxiliary 3 (Aux.3) and Auxiliary 4 (Aux.4) parts are in bass clef. The score includes various rhythmic patterns, including eighth and sixteenth notes, rests, and dynamic markings such as accents (>) and 'stickshot' markings. The key signature has one flat (Bb). The time signature is not explicitly shown but appears to be 4/4 based on the notation.

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20
86

L.V.

Glk. *xylo mallets*

Xyl. *f*

Vib.

Mrb. *f*

Mrb. *f*

Mrb.

T.B. *f*

Timp. *f*

S.Dr. *rimshot*

S.Dr.2

Toms *f* *mf*

Aux.1

Aux.2

Aux.3 *hihat* *drumsticks* *f*

Aux.4 *cymb. a2*

B. Dr.

low F to Eb

90

Glk.

Xyl.

Vib.

Mrb.

Mrb.

Mrb.

T.B.

Timp.

90

S.Dr.

S.Dr.2

Toms

90

Aux.1

Aux.2

Aux.3

Aux.4

90

B. Dr.

to F

to Db

stickshot

stickshot

98

Glk.

Xyl.

Vib.

Mrb.

Mrb.

Mrb.

T.B.

Timp.

98

S.Dr.

S.Dr.2

Toms

98

Aux. 1

Aux. 2

Aux. 3

Aux. 4

98

B. Dr.

mf

f

ff

sfz

marc

marca

splash c

erc. 4)

104

Glk. *sfz p cresc.*

Xyl. *sfz p cresc.*

Vib. *sfz p cresc.*

Mrb. *sfz p cresc.*

Mrb. *sfz p cresc.*

Mrb.

T.B.

Timp. *to Eb*

S.Dr. *sfz*

S.Dr.2 *sfz sf mf*

Toms *sfz sfz sfz p*

Aux.1

Aux.2

Aux.3

Aux.4 *gong*

dry

B. Dr. *dry*

K

The musical score is for a percussion ensemble and is written in 4/4 time. It features the following instruments and parts:

- Glk. (Glockenspiel):** Starts with a rest, then plays a melodic line starting in the third measure with a forte (*ff*) dynamic.
- Xyl. (Xylophone):** Starts with a rest, then plays a melodic line starting in the third measure with a forte (*ff*) dynamic.
- Vib. (Vibraphone):** Plays a melodic line throughout the piece.
- Mrb. (Maracas):** Two parts, both playing a rhythmic pattern throughout.
- T.B. (Tambourine):** Plays a melodic line throughout.
- Timp. (Timpani):** Plays a rhythmic pattern, starting with a *sfz* dynamic in the first measure.
- S.Dr. (Snare Drum):** One part with a melodic line starting in the third measure, and another part playing a rhythmic pattern.
- Toms (Tom-toms):** Play a rhythmic pattern throughout.
- Aux. 1 (Auxiliary Percussion 1):** Plays a melodic line starting in the third measure with a forte (*ff*) dynamic.
- Aux. 2 (Auxiliary Percussion 2):** Plays a melodic line starting in the third measure with a forte (*ff*) dynamic.
- Aux. 3 (Auxiliary Percussion 3):** Plays a melodic line starting in the third measure with a forte (*ff*) dynamic.
- Aux. 4 (Auxiliary Percussion 4):** Plays a melodic line starting in the third measure with a forte (*ff*) dynamic. Includes markings for *gong*, *cymb.*, and *cyr*.
- B. Dr. (Bass Drum):** Plays a melodic line starting in the third measure with a forte (*ff*) dynamic.

Performance markings include accents (>), breath marks (v), and dynamic markings such as *ff*, *sfz*, and *sf*. There are also performance instructions like *triang*, *choke*, and *gong*.