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# Everything Passes

soprano & chamber orchestra

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## VOCAL MUSIC

The Snow Begins (W.C. Williams)	1975	soprano, piano	3 min
Earth and Sea (Eskimo texts)	1975	soprano, piano	3 min
Prelude (T.S. Eliot)	1978	soprano, violin, cello	10 min
6 Songs (W.B. Yeats)	1983	soprano, piano	15 min
To a Child (W.B. Yeats)	1987	soprano, string quartet	20 min
Crazy Jane Sings (W.B. Yeats)	1999	soprano, fl, vn, va, vc, pn	25 min
Vignettes/Flowers (W.C. Williams)	2002	SATB, cello	18 min
Love Poems (W.C. Williams)	2003	SSAA	10 min
Vignettes/Trees (W.C. Williams)	2004	sop, mezz sop, 2 cellos	15 min
Thinking of You (John MacKenzie)	2005	soprano, cello, harp	7 min
Ariettas Without Words	2005	soprano, cello, harp	9 min
Scetate (Ferdinando Russo)	2005	SSATTBB	6 min
In Their Flight (Mark Doty)	2006	sop, mezzo, violin, cello	6 min
5 Rilke Songs	2009	soprano, viola d'amore, cello	15 min
4 Songs to Poems by Hart Crane	2010	tenor, piano	35 min
Seasons (W.C. Williams)	2010	SATB	11 min
Sonnets to Orpheus (R.M. Rilke)	2012	tenor, piano	35 min
Songs of Loss and Remembering (R.M. Rilke)	2012	soprano, viola d'amore, viola, cello	12 min
Rozmowa z kamieniem (W. Szymborska)	2013	soprano, 2 violins, cello	15 min
2 Love Songs (H. Heine)	2015	countertenor, va, vc, theorbo	4 min
A Collection of Songs (C.F. Cilliers)	2017	soprano, piano	18 min
The Violin Sings in a Common Language	2017	soprano, violin	13 min
Collected Villanelles (various poets)	2018	SATB	16 min
La selva de los relojes (Federico Garcia Lorca)	2018	mezzo soprano, cello, piano	21 min
Der Februar (Erich Kastner)	2018	soprano, viola d'amore	4 min
Vier Gedichte (Inborg Hoflehner)	2018	mezzo soprano, viola d'amore	6 min
La Lay de Plour (Guillaume Machaut)	2018	contralto, fl, vn, vc, piano	40 min
Selections from Les Roses (R.M. Rilke)	2019	soprano, oboe, violin	9 min
Blossoms (Selma Meerbaum-Eisinger)	2019	soprano, viola d'amore, cello	22 min

## MUSIC FOR STRINGS ALONE

6 Contrapuntal Pieces	1986	string quartet	20 min
For Laura	1987	string quartet	25 min
The Beckoning Stars	2001	string quartet	13 min
Imaginary Dances	2001	violin solo	18 min
Short Stories	2003	vn, va, vc, db	18 min
Passion (a love duet)	2003	viola, cello	9 min
Pavanne (for a world without war)	2005	string orchestra	8 min
Meditations	2006	string orchestra	8 min
American Landscapes	2007	string quartet	24 min
Motet	2008	string orchestra	7 min
Ecstasy	2009	viola solo	9 min
Transformations	2009	viola da gamba	12 min
Sonatine	2010	3 violins	9 min
Lieder ohne Worte	2011	2 va, vc, theorbo	12 min
Middle Ground	2012	vn, 2 va, vc	25 min
O mystery!	2012	cello solo	5 min
Music for Viol Consort	2013	6 viols	20 min
Afterwards, there were no more wars	2013	string quartet	21 min
At the Center of All Things	2013	string quartet	17 min
4 Nocturnes	2013	violin, viola	19 min
Lonely Voices	2013	string quartet	26 min
Trance Music	2014	string orchestra	22 min
The Time is Past	2016	string quartet	15 min
Dreaming of a Better World	2016	string quartet	15 min

Trio Sonata	2017	vn, va d'amore, cello	10 min
Transfiguration	2017	viola quartet	14 min
Duets	2018	2 viola d'amore	7 min
Aphorisms I	2019	string quartet	15 min
Airs and Dances	2019	strings	6 min
Border Crossings	2019	2 violins	6 min

## CHAMBER MUSIC

Three for Three	1992	violin, cello, piano	16 min
Civil War Songs	1992	viola, piano	18 min
Take Five	1993	piano quintet	25 min
Serenade	1999	fl, vn, va, vc	11 min
Distant Music	2000	cl, vn/va, vc, pn	20 min
Driven by the Wind	2001	flute, cello, piano	25 min
Nonet (for New York)	2002	fl, ob, cl, hn, bn, string quartet	35 min
A Little Sweet	2003	flute, cello	10 min
On the Edge of Sleep & Dreaming	2003	horn, cello, harp	31 min
5 Pastoral Scenes	2004	ob, bn, vn, va, vc	30 min
I was dreaming of the sea...	2004	vn (or fl), vc, pn	7 min
Little Tales of Mirth & Woe	2004	vn (or fl), vc, pn	6 min
An Ode to the Possibility of Piece	2005	clarinet, violin, cello	15 min
Elements	2006	fl, ob, cl, hn, bn	11 min
Motet for Brass Instruments	2006	2 tp, hn, tb, tu	7 min
4 Caprices	2014	violin, piano	14 min
Melville's Dream	2017	alto flute, viola, cello	12 min
Music for Loud Band	2018	2 cornettos & 2 tenor sackbuts	5 min
Fanfare	2018	4 sackbuts (or tenor trombones)	3 min
the children are crying	2018	saxophone quartet	6 min
the children are still crying	2018	saxophone quartet	6 min
Aphorisms II	2019	viola & piano	21 min
Divisions	2019	vn, vc, pn	13 min

## ORCHESTRAL MUSIC

Morning Music	2001	clarinet, string orchestra	22 min
Two Sad Songs (W.B. Yeats)	2002	soprano, string orchestra	15 min
Invisible Ballet	2003	string orchestra & diverse instruments	33 min
Dark Matter (Pluto)	2005	orchestra	15 min
Ophelia Songs (Shakespeare)	2005	soprano, harp, string orchestra	12 min
Love's Little Pleasures (various poets)	2008	soprano, string orchestra	15 min
The Four Elements	2009	viola, string orchestra	22 min
Mystical Songs (Fernando Rielo)	2009	soprano, viola, string orchestra	18 min
In Praise of Reason	2012	cello, 2 horns, string orchestra	13 min
Against War	2018	soprano, orchestra	23 min
Season of Rain	2018	orchestra	38 min
Summer	2018	orchestra	43 min
Declaration of Peace	2019	chamber orchestra	12 min
Everything Passes	2019	soprano & chamber orchestra	16 min

## PIANO MUSIC

Simple Sketches	2015	piano	12 min
Skirmishes	2016	piano 4 hands	10 min
Preludes for Piano, 1-6	2016	piano	10 min
Preludes for Piano, 7-12	2017	piano	10 min
Aphorisms III	2019	piano	17 min

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# Everything Passes

This music started off in one direction, but then reading a brief poem by Peter Levitt turned it in another direction entirely. A gentle poem, read during the same week that the world's attention was turned to the mass shootings of innocent people in two cities in the United States, its imagery of petals falling like past lives, struck home – and became the theme of this symphony.

Peter Levitt

It can't be held  
I cup a rose  
in my hand –  
undone, the petals fall  
through my fingers  
like past lives.

William Blake

O Rose thou art sick.  
The invisible worm,  
That flies in the night  
In the howling storm:  
Has found out thy bed  
Of crimson joy:  
And his dark secret love  
Does thy life destroy.

Basho (trans. by Sam Hamill)

Nothing in the cry  
of cicadas suggests they  
are about to die

Peter Levitt

It's easy to die.  
Just give your breath  
back to the trees  
and the wind.

Score

# Everything Passes

Moderato ( $\text{♩} = 108$ )

The musical score consists of ten staves of music. The first five staves (Flute 1, Flute 2, Oboe 1, Oboe 2, Clarinet in B $\flat$  1) are in common time (indicated by a '4') and have a key signature of one sharp. The next four staves (Clarinet in B $\flat$  2, Bassoon, Horn in F 1, Horn in F 2) are also in common time and have a key signature of one sharp. The final three staves (Trumpet in B $\flat$  1, Trumpet in B $\flat$  2, Timpani) are in common time and have a key signature of one sharp. The Soprano, Violin I, Violin II, Viola, Cello, and Double Bass staves are in common time and have a key signature of one sharp. The score begins with a dynamic of  $p$ . The Flutes play eighth-note patterns, followed by the Oboes and Clarinets. The Bassoon and Horns provide harmonic support. The Trumpets enter later, and the Timpani provide rhythmic drive with sustained notes. The strings (Violins, Viola, Cello, Double Bass) play eighth-note patterns throughout the piece.

Fl. 1

Fl. 2

Ob. 1

Ob. 2

B♭ Cl. 1

B♭ Cl. 2

Bsn.

Hn. 1

Hn. 2

B♭ Tpt. 1

B♭ Tpt. 2

Tim.

Sop.

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

D.B.

This page contains ten staves of musical notation. The top five staves are in G clef, while the bottom five are in F clef. Measures 1 through 6 are shown, with measure 7 partially visible at the bottom. The instrumentation includes Flute 1, Flute 2, Oboe 1, Oboe 2, Bassoon, Horn 1, Horn 2, Trombone 1, Trombone 2, Timpani, Soprano, Violin I, Violin II, Viola, Cello, and Double Bass. Various dynamics like forte (f), piano (p), and sforzando (sfz) are indicated throughout the score.

20

Fl. 1

Fl. 2

Ob. 1

Ob. 2

B♭ Cl. 1

B♭ Cl. 2

Bsn.

Hn. 1

Hn. 2

B♭ Tpt. 1

B♭ Tpt. 2

Timp.

Sop.

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

D.B.

Measure 20: Flutes 1 & 2 play eighth-note patterns at *mp*. Oboes 1 & 2 play eighth-note patterns at *mp*. Bassoon plays eighth-note patterns at *p*. Measure 21: Flutes 1 & 2 play eighth-note patterns at *mp*. Oboes 1 & 2 play eighth-note patterns at *mp*. Bassoon plays eighth-note patterns at *p*. Horn 1 enters with a sustained note at *p*. Trombones 1 & 2 play eighth-note patterns at *p*. Timpani plays eighth-note patterns at *p*. Soprano plays eighth-note patterns at *p*. Violin 1 and 2 play eighth-note patterns at *mf*. Viola and Cello play eighth-note patterns at *mf*. Double Bass plays eighth-note patterns at *mf*. Measure 22: Flutes 1 & 2 play eighth-note patterns at *mp*. Oboes 1 & 2 play eighth-note patterns at *mp*. Bassoon plays eighth-note patterns at *p*. Horn 1 and 2 play eighth-note patterns at *p*. Trombone 1 and 2 play eighth-note patterns at *p*. Timpani plays eighth-note patterns at *p*. Soprano plays eighth-note patterns at *p*. Violin 1 and 2 play eighth-note patterns at *p*. Viola and Cello play eighth-note patterns at *p*. Double Bass plays eighth-note patterns at *p*.

29

Fl. 1

Fl. 2

Ob. 1

Ob. 2

B♭ Cl. 1

B♭ Cl. 2

Bsn.

*mp*

Hn. 1

Hn. 2

B♭ Tpt. 1

B♭ Tpt. 2

Tim.

*p*

Sop.

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

D.B.

*p*

*trill*

*arco*

38

Fl. 1

Fl. 2

Ob. 1

Ob. 2

B♭ Cl. 1

B♭ Cl. 2

Bsn.

Hn. 1

Hn. 2

B♭ Tpt. 1

B♭ Tpt. 2

Tim.

Sop.

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

D.B.

p

p

p

pizz.

47

Fl. 1

Fl. 2

Ob. 1

Ob. 2

B♭ Cl. 1

B♭ Cl. 2

Bsn.

Hn. 1

Hn. 2

B♭ Tpt. 1

B♭ Tpt. 2

Tim.

Sop.

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

D.B.

*pp*

*pp*

*pp*

*pp*

*pp*

*f*

*f*

*pp*

*pp*

*f*

*pp*

*pp*

*mf*

*p*

*f*

*pp*

*f*

*pizz.*

*f*

*pp*

*f*

*pp*



71

Fl. 1

Fl. 2

Ob. 1

Ob. 2

B♭ Cl. 1

B♭ Cl. 2

Bsn.

Hn. 1

Hn. 2

B♭ Tpt. 1

B♭ Tpt. 2

Timp.

Sop.

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

D.B.

71

71

71

I cup a rose in my hand

pizz.

Fl. 1

Fl. 2

Ob. 1

Ob. 2

B♭ Cl. 1

B♭ Cl. 2

Bsn.

Hn. 1

Hn. 2

B♭ Tpt. 1

B♭ Tpt. 2

Tim.

Sop.

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

D.B.

83

*pp*

*pp*

*pp*

*pp*

*pp*

*f*

83

*f*

*f*

*pp*

*pp*

83

*mf*

*f*

Un - done, *p*the

83

*f*

*pp*

*f*

*f*

*pizz.*

*f*

*pp*

*f*

*pp*





Fl. 1

Fl. 2

Ob. 1

Ob. 2 *p*

B♭ Cl. 1

B♭ Cl. 2 *p*

Bsn.

Hn. 1

Hn. 2 *p*

B♭ Tpt. 1

B♭ Tpt. 2

Timp.

Sop.

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

D.B.

116

116

116

Fl. 1

Fl. 2

Ob. 1

Ob. 2

B♭ Cl. 1

B♭ Cl. 2

Bsn.

Hn. 1

Hn. 2

B♭ Tpt. 1

B♭ Tpt. 2

Timp.

Sop.

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

D.B.

125

125

125



**Andantino (♩ = 60)**

Fl. 1

Fl. 2

Ob. 1

Ob. 2

B♭ Cl. 1

B♭ Cl. 2

Bsn.

Hn. 1

Hn. 2

B♭ Tpt. 1

B♭ Tpt. 2

Tim.

Sop.

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

D.B.

144

144

144

154

Fl. 1

Fl. 2

Ob. 1

Ob. 2

B♭ Cl. 1

B♭ Cl. 2

Bsn.

Hn. 1

Hn. 2

B♭ Tpt. 1

B♭ Tpt. 2

Tim.

Sop.

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

D.B.

Fl. 1

Fl. 2

Ob. 1

Ob. 2 *mf*

B♭ Cl. 1

B♭ Cl. 2

Bsn.

Hn. 1

Hn. 2

B♭ Tpt. 1

B♭ Tpt. 2

Timp.

Sop.

Vln. I *mf*

Vln. II *mf*

Vla. *mf*

Vc. *mf*

D.B. *mf*

*p*

*p*

*p*

*p*

*p*

*p*

*p*

*p*

*p*

174

Fl. 1

Fl. 2

Ob. 1

Ob. 2

B♭ Cl. 1

B♭ Cl. 2

Bsn.

Hn. 1

Hn. 2

B♭ Tpt. 1

B♭ Tpt. 2

Tim.

Sop.

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

D.B.

p

p

p

p

p

p

O Rose

182

Fl. 1

Fl. 2

Ob. 1

Ob. 2

B♭ Cl. 1

B♭ Cl. 2

Bsn.

Hn. 1

Hn. 2

B♭ Tpt. 1

B♭ Tpt. 2

Tim.

Sop.

Rose ————— *mf* O Rose ————— thou art sick.

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

D.B.

This musical score page contains three systems of music. The first system (measures 182-183) features woodwind instruments (Flutes 1 & 2, Oboes 1 & 2, Bassoon, Clarinets 1 & 2, and Trombone 1) and timpani. The second system (measures 183-184) continues with the same instrumentation, with the soprano voice joining in on the third measure. The third system (measures 184-185) includes violins, violas, cello, double bass, and timpani. The vocal part in the second system includes the lyrics 'Rose ————— O Rose ————— thou art sick.' with dynamic markings *mf* and *p*.



202

Fl. 1  
Fl. 2  
Ob. 1  
Ob. 2  
B♭ Cl. 1  
B♭ Cl. 2  
Bsn.

Hn. 1  
Hn. 2  
B♭ Tpt. 1  
B♭ Tpt. 2  
Tim.

Sop.  
flies \_\_\_\_\_ in the night in the howling storm:

Vln. I  
Vln. II  
Vla.  
Vc.  
D.B.

212

Fl. 1

Fl. 2

Ob. 1 *p*

Ob. 2

B♭ Cl. 1

B♭ Cl. 2 *pp*

Bsn.

Hn. 1

Hn. 2

B♭ Tpt. 1 *p*

B♭ Tpt. 2 *p*

212

Timp. *pp*

Sop. *p*  
Has found thy bed \_\_\_\_\_ of crim - son joy:

212

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc. arco *p*  
arco *pizz.* *pp*  
*pizz.*

D.B. *pp*

Musical score page 222. The score includes parts for Flute 1, Flute 2, Oboe 1, Oboe 2, Bassoon, Horn 1, Horn 2, Bass Trombone 1, Bass Trombone 2, Timpani, Soprano, Violin I, Violin II, Viola, Cello, Double Bass, and Percussion. The score shows various musical markings such as dynamics (pp, mf, mp) and performance instructions (e.g., slurs, grace notes). The instrumentation is primarily woodwind and brass, with strings providing harmonic support.



243

Fl. 1

Fl. 2

Ob. 1

Ob. 2

B♭ Cl. 1

B♭ Cl. 2

Bsn.

Hn. 1

Hn. 2

B♭ Tpt. 1

B♭ Tpt. 2

Tim.

Sop.

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

D.B.

love Does they life de - stroy.

243

243

243

(♩ = 120)

258

Fl. 1

Fl. 2

Ob. 1

Ob. 2

B♭ Cl. 1

B♭ Cl. 2

Bsn.

Hn. 1

Hn. 2

B♭ Tpt. 1

B♭ Tpt. 2

Timp.

Sop.

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

D.B.

271

Fl. 1

Fl. 2

Ob. 1

Ob. 2

B♭ Cl. 1

B♭ Cl. 2

Bsn.

Hn. 1

Hn. 2

B♭ Tpt. 1

B♭ Tpt. 2

Tim.

Sop.

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

D.B.

284

Fl. 1

Fl. 2

Ob. 1

Ob. 2

B♭ Cl. 1 *pp*

B♭ Cl. 2 *pp*

Bsn.

Hn. 1

Hn. 2

B♭ Tpt. 1

B♭ Tpt. 2

Timp.

Sop.

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

D.B.

299

Fl. 1

Fl. 2

Ob. 1

Ob. 2

B♭ Cl. 1

B♭ Cl. 2

Bsn.

Hn. 1

Hn. 2

B♭ Tpt. 1

B♭ Tpt. 2

Tim.

Sop.

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

D.B.

299

*p*

*f*

*p*

*pp*

*pp*

*pp*

*p*

*mp*

*f*

312

Fl. 1      *pp*

Fl. 2      *pp*

Ob. 1      *pp*

Ob. 2      *pp*

B♭ Cl. 1

B♭ Cl. 2

Bsn.

Hn. 1

Hn. 2

B♭ Tpt. 1

B♭ Tpt. 2

Timp.

Sop.      *p*  
No - thing\_\_ in the cry\_\_\_\_\_ No - thing\_\_ in the cry\_\_\_\_\_ of ci-

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.      *pp*

D.B.      *pp*

324

Fl. 1

Fl. 2

Ob. 1

Ob. 2 *pp*

B♭ Cl. 1 *pp*

B♭ Cl. 2 *pp*

Bsn.

Hn. 1

Hn. 2

B♭ Tpt. 1

B♭ Tpt. 2

324

Tim.

Sop. ca - das sug - gests that sug - gests that

324

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

D.B.

This musical score page contains ten staves of music. The top section includes Flute 1, Flute 2, Oboe 1, Oboe 2 (marked pp), Bassoon, Horn 1, Horn 2, Bass Trombone 1, Bass Trombone 2, and Timpani. The middle section includes Soprano, Violin 1, Violin 2, Cello, and Double Bass. The soprano part features lyrics: 'ca - das' followed by 'sug - gests that' repeated twice. Measure numbers 324 are indicated above several staves.

337

Fl. 1  
Fl. 2  
Ob. 1  
Ob. 2  
B♭ Cl. 1  
B♭ Cl. 2  
Bsn.

Hn. 1  
Hn. 2  
B♭ Tpt. 1  
B♭ Tpt. 2

Tim.

Sop.

Vln. I  
Vln. II  
Vla.  
Vc.  
D.B.

No - thing sug - gests that

349

Fl. 1

Fl. 2

Ob. 1

Ob. 2

B♭ Cl. 1

B♭ Cl. 2

Bsn.

Hn. 1

Hn. 2

B♭ Tpt. 1

B♭ Tpt. 2

Timp.

Sop.

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

D.B.

349

they are a - bout to die.

*p*

*mp*

*pp*

*pp*

*pp*

*pp*

Andante ( $\text{♩} = 80$ )

369

Fl. 1

Fl. 2

Ob. 1

Ob. 2

B♭ Cl. 1

B♭ Cl. 2

Bsn.

Hn. 1

Hn. 2

B♭ Tpt. 1

B♭ Tpt. 2

Tim.

Sop.

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

D.B.



381

Fl. 1

Fl. 2

Ob. 1

Ob. 2

B♭ Cl. 1

*p*

B♭ Cl. 2

*p*

Bsn.

*p*

pp

Hn. 1

*p*

Hn. 2

*p*

B♭ Tpt. 1

*p*

B♭ Tpt. 2

*p*

pp

Timp.

381

Sop.

381

Vln. I

*p*

f

div.

pp

div.

Vln. II

*p*

f

pp

div.

Vla.

*p*

f

pp

div.

Vc.

*mp*

f

div.

pp

arcò

D.B.

*mp*

*f*

*pp*

arcò

387

Fl. 1

Fl. 2

Ob. 1

Ob. 2

B♭ Cl. 1

B♭ Cl. 2

Bsn.

Hn. 1

Hn. 2

B♭ Tpt. 1

B♭ Tpt. 2

Tim.

Sop.

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

D.B.

This page contains two systems of a musical score. The first system (measures 387) consists of ten staves. The instruments are: Flute 1, Flute 2, Oboe 1, Oboe 2, Bassoon, Horn 1, Horn 2, Trombone 1, Trombone 2, and Timpani. The second system (measures 387) consists of six staves: Soprano, Violin I, Violin II, Viola, Cello, and Double Bass. The music is written in common time with various key signatures (F major, G major, B-flat major). Dynamic markings include 'p' (piano) and 'f' (fortissimo). Articulation marks like dots and dashes are present on many notes. Measure 387 features sustained notes with grace notes and dynamic markings like 'p'.



401

Fl. 1

Fl. 2

Ob. 1

Ob. 2

B♭ Cl. 1

B♭ Cl. 2

Bsn.

Hn. 1

Hn. 2

B♭ Tpt. 1

B♭ Tpt. 2

Timp.

Sop.

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

D.B.

*p*

*p* *pp* *pp*

*pp* *mp* *pp*

*p*

*p* *pizz.*

*p* *pizz.*

*p*

It's ea - sy to die.

408

Fl. 1

Fl. 2

Ob. 1

Ob. 2

B♭ Cl. 1

B♭ Cl. 2

Bsn.

Hn. 1

Hn. 2

B♭ Tpt. 1

B♭ Tpt. 2

Timp.

Sop.

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

D.B.

Just give your breath back to the trees and the wind.

*p*

*p*

*p*

*mp*

414

Fl. 1  
Fl. 2  
Ob. 1  
Ob. 2  
B♭ Cl. 1  
B♭ Cl. 2  
Bsn.

Hn. 1  
Hn. 2  
B♭ Tpt. 1  
B♭ Tpt. 2

Timp.

Sop.

Vln. I  
Vln. II  
Vla.  
Vc.  
D.B.

Detailed description: This is a page from a musical score. It features ten staves of music. The top section includes Flute 1, Flute 2, Oboe 1, Oboe 2, B-flat Clarinet 1, B-flat Clarinet 2, Bassoon, Horn 1, Horn 2, B-flat Trombone 1, and B-flat Trombone 2. The middle section includes Timpani and Soprano. The bottom section includes Violin 1, Violin 2, Cello, Double Bass, and Bassoon. Various dynamics are indicated throughout, such as 'pp' (pianissimo) and 'p' (piano). Performance techniques like 'arco' (bowing) and 'pizz.' (pizzicato) are also marked. Measure numbers 414 are present above several staves.



## A few words about (and by) the composer

Stan Grill was raised in the Bronx, studied at the Bronx House School of Music, and later graduated from the Manhattan School of Music with undergrad and graduate degrees in music theory. He studied piano with Robert Helps and Leon Kushner and composition with Ursula Mamlok and Joseph Prostakoff. Major works include music for symphony, chamber and string orchestra, a viola concerto, a cello concerto, ten string quartets, a nonet for winds and strings, and numerous song cycles for mixed voices and chamber ensemble. Performances have been produced by the composer, as well as presented by the Composers Guild of New Jersey, the St. Paul's Church Festival of the Arts, the Leonia Chamber Players, the New York Composers Circle, the Northern New Jersey Camerata, One World Symphony, the Bronx Arts Ensemble, the Tokyo based Duo + Ensemble, the Pandolfis Consort, the Aliquot Duo, Eight Strings and a Whistle, the Diderot Quartet and Camerata Philadelphia.

Stan's discography includes "Rustling Flights of Wings" with soprano Nancy Allen Lundy, pianist Stephen Gosling and violinist Ralph Farris and "At the Center of All Things" with music performed by the Diderot String Quartet.

*"As I see it, as much as we strive to find reason and purpose in our having been born into this amazing, mysterious and awe-inspiring universe, that attempt is largely futile. It is however, the best part of our nature that obliges us to make the attempt, though the most we can hope for is to gain some small degree of understanding of the world around us, and, more importantly, of ourselves. To achieve this, we each approach the problem in our own way, uniquely shaped by our cultural background, innate talents and abilities, education and so on. For some, science may be the window through which they best perceive and interpret the world, for others, religion. For those to whom the world seems to express itself most clearly and beautifully through sound, music is the voice that speaks to us and through which we, in turn, best express ourselves. Now, I can write notes that will make pretty music because I've been trained to do so – but the best of my music has arrived, rather inexplicably, as part of a personal effort to understand the world and myself. It is, in a way, an act of translation. The world says something, I try to understand it, and then translate it into musical language. The particular musical language which I speak, is, of course, a product of my conservatory training and personal musical tastes, but hopefully, the outcome, imperfect a translation as it may be, will convey to others something of its original intent."*

Stan's music is melodic, modal, contrapuntal, characterized by extended, interweaving lines. His musical influences span the centuries, and include Machaut, Josquin, Palestrina, Monteverdi, Lassus, Britten, Ives, Vaughn Williams and Shostakovich. Two main themes permeate many of the pieces - music intended to influence the minds and hearts of those who hear it in such a way as to encourage thoughts about the possibility of world peace - and music composed in an attempt to translate something about the nature of the physical world.

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