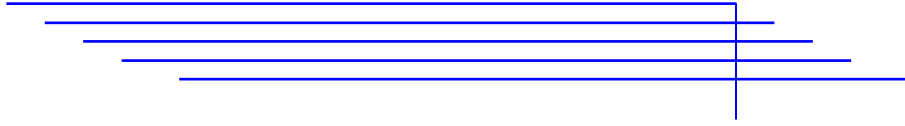


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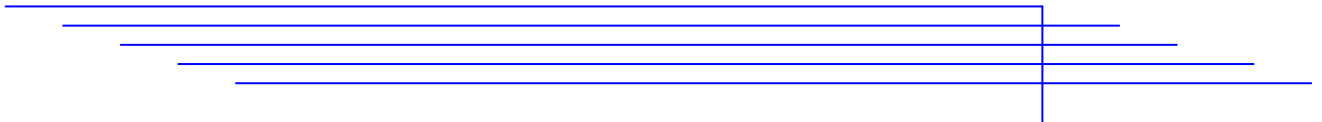


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(from a future history)

for string quartet

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Most mornings, I wake to BBC World News, which is usually a depressing way to start the day, with reporters reciting a litany of violent events from around the world. But, in my imagination, there exists another world – one far better – where people recognize the benefits of working together to the betterment of all and finding non-violent solutions to conflicts. Unfortunately, I will certainly never live to see that day come, but continue to hope that such a world lies in our future, however distant that future might be.

This music comes from that same imaginary place – and hopefully captures something of its spirit.

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Allegro (M.M. ♩ = c. 120)

Violin I *mp*

Violin II *mp*

Viola

Cello

Vn I *pp*

Vn II *pp*

Va *mp* *pp*

Vc *mp* *pp*

Vn I *mp* *p*

Vn II *mp* *p*

Va *mp* *p*

Vc *mp* *p*

pizz.

15

Vn I

Vn II

Va

Vc

3

19

Vn I

Vn II

Va

Vc

mp

mp

mp

mp

24

Vn I

Vn II

Va

Vc

pp

pp

pp

pp

28

Vn I

Vn II

Va

Vc

pp

pp

32

Vn I

Vn II

Va

Vc

pp

arco

36

Vn I

Vn II

Va

Vc

mp

pp

mp

mp

40

Vn I *mf*

Vn II *mf*

Va *mf*

Vc *mf*

Measures 40-45. Vn I and Vn II play a melodic line with eighth and quarter notes. Va plays a similar line. Vc provides a bass line with eighth and quarter notes. All parts are marked *mf*.

46

Vn I *p*

Vn II *p*

Va *p*

Vc

Measures 46-50. Vn I has a crescendo leading to a *p* dynamic. Vn II and Va also have crescendos leading to a *p* dynamic. Vc has a crescendo leading to a *p* dynamic. Measures 48-50 show sustained notes for Vn I, Vn II, and Va.

51

Vn I *mp*

Vn II *mp*

Va *mp*

Vc *mp*

Measures 51-55. Vn I and Vn II play a melodic line with eighth and quarter notes. Va plays a similar line. Vc provides a bass line with eighth and quarter notes. All parts are marked *mp*.

56

Vn I

Vn II

Va

Vc

pp

pp

pp

pp

pp

61

Vn I

Vn II

Va

Vc

p

p

p

p

rit.

a tempo

p

66

Vn I

Vn II

Va

Vc

3

3

71

Vn I

Vn II

Va

Vc

mp

mp

mp

mp

3

3

76

Vn I

Vn II

Va

Vc

3

82

Vn I

Vn II

Va

Vc

f

f

f

f

p

p

p

p

89

Vn I

Vn II

Va

Vc

pp

pp

94

Vn I

Vn II

Va

Vc

pp

pizz.

p

98

Vn I

Vn II

Va

Vc

mf

mf

mf

mf

102

Vn I

Vn II

Va

Vc

arco

f

f

f

f

106

Vn I

Vn II

Va

Vc

p

pp

p

pp

p

pp

p > *pp*

111

Vn I

Vn II

Va

Vc

mf

pp

mf

pp

mf

pp

mf

pp

117

Vn I

Vn II

Va

Vc

mf

mf

mf

mf

Detailed description: This system contains measures 117 through 122. Vn I and Vn II are in treble clef with a key signature of one flat. Vn I plays half notes, while Vn II plays half notes with a half rest in measure 118. Va is in alto clef and Vc is in bass clef, both playing eighth notes. Dynamics of *mf* are indicated for measures 119, 120, and 121.

123

Vn I

Vn II

Va

Vc

p

mp

p

p

Detailed description: This system contains measures 123 through 127. Vn I and Vn II continue with half notes. Va and Vc continue with eighth notes. Dynamics of *p* are marked for Vn I, Va, and Vc in measures 124, 125, and 126 respectively. A dynamic of *mp* is marked for Vn II in measure 124.

128

Vn I

Vn II

Va

Vc

Detailed description: This system contains measures 128 through 132. Vn I and Vn II continue with half notes. Va and Vc continue with eighth notes. No dynamics are explicitly marked in this system.

133

Vn I

Vn II

Va

Vc

Measures 133-138. Vn I: Dotted half notes. Vn II: Half note, quarter note. Va: Eighth-note patterns. Vc: Dotted half notes, whole rests in measures 136 and 137.

139

Vn I

Vn II

Va

Vc

mf

Measures 139-144. Vn I: Slur, mf. Vn II: Slur, mf. Va: Eighth-note patterns. Vc: Whole rests in measures 139-141, eighth-note patterns in 142-144. mf markings in measures 140 and 142.

145

Vn I

Vn II

Va

Vc

Measures 145-149. Vn I: Half notes with slurs. Vn II: Half notes. Va: Half notes with slurs. Vc: Eighth-note patterns with slurs.

150

Vn I

Vn II

Va

Vc

Measures 150-154. Vn I and Vn II play half notes. Vn I has a fermata in measure 154. Va and Vc play eighth-note patterns. Va has a fermata in measure 154.

155

Vn I

Vn II

Va

Vc

Measures 155-159. Vn I and Vn II play half notes. Vn I has a fermata in measure 159. Va and Vc play eighth-note patterns. Va has a fermata in measure 159.

160

Vn I

Vn II

Va

Vc

Measures 160-164. Vn I and Vn II play half notes. Vn I has a fermata in measure 164. Va and Vc play eighth-note patterns. Va has a fermata in measure 164.

165

Vn I

Vn II

Va

Vc

p

p

p

p

172

Vn I

Vn II

Va

Vc

rit.

a tempo

pp

pp

pp

178

Vn I

Vn II

Va

Vc

pizz.

pp

p

p

p

182

Vn I

Vn II

Va

Vc

3

186

Vn I

Vn II

Va

Vc

pp

pp

p

190

Vn I

Vn II

Va

Vc

3

rit.

pp

arco

Moderato (♩ = c. 108)

Violin I *p*

Violin II

Viola *p*

Cello *mp*

Vn I

Vn II *p*

Va

Vc

9

17

mf

Detailed description: This is a page of a musical score for a string ensemble. It contains three systems of staves. The first system includes Violin I, Violin II, Viola, and Cello. The second system includes Vn I, Vn II, Va, and Vc. The third system includes Vn I, Vn II, Va, and Vc. The music is in 2/4 time and marked Moderato with a tempo of approximately 108 beats per minute. The first system starts with measures 1-8, the second system with measures 9-16, and the third system with measures 17-24. Dynamics include piano (p), mezzo-piano (mp), and mezzo-forte (mf). The score features various musical notations such as notes, rests, slurs, and articulation marks.

25

Vn I

Vn II

Va

Vc

pp

mp

34

Vn I

Vn II

Va

Vc

pizz.

mp

45

Vn I

Vn II

Va

Vc

mf

arco

mf

arco

mf

54

Vn I

Vn II

Va

Vc

arco

mf

Measures 54-61. Vn I: Melodic line with slurs. Vn II: Silent until measure 55, then plays a sustained note. Va: Sustained note. Vc: Complex rhythmic pattern with slurs. Dynamics: *mf*, *arco*.

62

Vn I

Vn II

Va

Vc

p

Measures 62-68. Vn I: Melodic line with slurs. Vn II: Sustained note. Va: Sustained note. Vc: Complex rhythmic pattern with slurs. Dynamics: *p*.

69

Vn I

Vn II

Va

Vc

mf

Measures 69-76. Vn I: Melodic line with slurs. Vn II: Sustained note. Va: Sustained note. Vc: Complex rhythmic pattern with slurs. Dynamics: *mf*.

78

Vn I *p*

Vn II *p*

Va *p*

Vc *p* *mp*

pizz.

pizz.

pizz.

89

Vn I *pp*

Vn II *pp* arco

Va *pp* arco

Vc *pp* arco

98

Vn I

Vn II

Va

Vc

108

Vn I

Vn II

Va

Vc

3

118

Vn I

Vn II

Va

Vc

mf

mf

mf

mf

128

Vn I

Vn II

Va

Vc

f

f

f

f arco

136

Vn I

Vn II

Va

Vc

mf

mf

mf

mf

145

Vn I

Vn II

Va

Vc

mp

mp

mp

mp

mp

pizz.

154

Vn I

Vn II

Va

Vc

p

p

p

p

165

Vn I

Vn II

Va

Vc

arco

pizz.

This system contains measures 165 through 175. Vn I and Vn II play eighth-note patterns. Va and Vc play eighth-note patterns. Vc has 'arco' and 'pizz.' markings.

176

Vn I

Vn II

Va

Vc

arco

This system contains measures 176 through 186. Vn I and Vn II play eighth-note patterns. Va and Vc play eighth-note patterns. Vc has 'arco' marking.

187

Vn I

Vn II

Va

Vc

8

This system contains measures 187 through 197. Vn I and Vn II play eighth-note patterns. Va and Vc play eighth-note patterns. Vc has '8' marking.

197

Vn I

Vn II

Va

Vc

mf

mf

mf

mf

8

8

8

8

206

Vn I

Vn II

Va

Vc

f

f

f

f

f

f

f

f

215

Vn I

Vn II

Va

Vc

215

223

Vn I

Vn II

Va

Vc

p

230

Vn I

Vn II

Va

Vc

mf

238

Vn I

Vn II

Va

Vc

mp

246

Vn I

Vn II

Va

Vc

254

Vn I

Vn II

Va

Vc

p

p

p

pizz.

arco

p

263

Vn I

Vn II

Va

Vc

273

Vn I

Vn II

Va

Vc

283

Vn I

Vn II

Va

Vc

293

Vn I

Vn II

Va

Vc

ppp

ppp

ppp

ppp

5'10"

Andante ♩ = 60

Violin I

Violin II

Viola

Cello

Vn I

Vn II

Va

Vc

7

12

p

mf

mp

17

Vn I

Vn II

Va

Vc

p

p

p

23

Vn I

Vn II

Va

Vc

28

Vn I

Vn II

Va

Vc

mf

p

mf

pizz.

mf

p

mf

p

33

Vn I

Vn II

Va

Vc

mf

mf

arco

mf

mf

Measures 33-37. Vn I: Melodic line with a fermata at the end. Vn II: Silent. Va: Rhythmic pattern of eighth notes. Vc: Melodic line. Dynamics: *mf*, *mf*, arco, *mf*, *mf*.

38

Vn I

Vn II

Va

Vc

Measures 38-42. Vn I: Melodic line. Vn II: Triplet pattern. Va: Rhythmic pattern. Vc: Melodic line.

43

Vn I

Vn II

Va

Vc

f

f

f

f

Measures 43-47. Vn I: Melodic line. Vn II: Triplet pattern. Va: Rhythmic pattern. Vc: Melodic line. Dynamics: *f*, *f*, *f*, *f*.

48

Vn I pizz. arco *p*

Vn II pizz. pizz. *p*

Va

Vc pizz. arco *p*

Measures 48-52. Vn I and Vc play arco, while Vn II and Va play pizzicato. Dynamics are marked 'p'.

53

Vn I

Vn II

Va

Vc

Allegro (M.M. ♩ = c. 120)

mp 3 3

arco 3 3

mp arco

mp

mp 3 3

Measures 53-57. Vn I and Vc play arco, while Vn II and Va play arco. Dynamics are marked 'mp'. A tempo change to Allegro is indicated.

58

Vn I

Vn II

Va

Vc

3 3 3 3

3 3 3 3

3 3 3 3

Measures 58-62. Vn I and Vc play arco, while Vn II and Va play arco. Dynamics are marked 'mp'. Triplet markings are present.

63

Vn I

Vn II

Va

Vc

p

f

pizz.

arco

68

Vn I

Vn II

Va

Vc

73

Vn I

Vn II

Va

Vc

mp

pizz.

77

Vn I

Vn II

Va

Vc

mf

pp

mf

pp

mf

81

Vn I

Vn II

Va

Vc

arco

pp

pp

pp

86

Vn I

Vn II

Va

Vc

pp

pp

pp

pp

90

Vn I

Vn II

Va

Vc

mp

mp

mp

pizz.

95

Vn I

Vn II

Va

Vc

mf

mf

mf

mf

99

Vn I

Vn II

Va

Vc

p

mf

p

p

mf

p

mf

rit.

Andante ♩ = 60

104

Vn I *p*

Vn II *pizz.* *p*

Va *p*

Vc *arco* *p*

109

Vn I *mf*

Vn II *arco* *mf*

Va *arco* *mf*

Vc *mf*

114

Vn I *p*

Vn II *p*

Va *p*

Vc *p*

118

Vn I

Vn II

Va

Vc

mp

mp

mp

mp

123

Vn I

Vn II

Va

Vc

p

p

p

p

128

Vn I

Vn II

Va

Vc

mf

mf

mf

mf

pizz.

ff pizz.

ff pizz.

ff pizz.

Allegro (M.M. ♩ = c. 120)

133

Vn I *arco* *mp* 3

Vn II *arco* 3 *mp*

Va *arco* *mp*

Vc *arco* 3 *mp*

138

Vn I 3 *pp*

Vn II 3 *pp*

Va 3 *pp*

Vc 3 *pp*

143

Vn I 3

Vn II 3

Va 3

Vc 3

163

Vn I

Vn II

Va

Vc

f

Measures 163-167. Vn I: Melodic line with a trill in measure 165. Vn II: Triplets of eighth notes. Va: Triplets of eighth notes. Vc: Simple bass line. Dynamics: *f* in measure 166.

168

Vn I

Vn II

Va

Vc

mp

Measures 168-172. Vn I: Melodic line. Vn II: Triplets of eighth notes. Va: Triplets of eighth notes. Vc: Simple bass line. Dynamics: *mp* in measures 168, 169, and 170.

173

Vn I

Vn II

Va

Vc

mf

Measures 173-177. Vn I: Melodic line. Vn II: Triplets of eighth notes. Va: Triplets of eighth notes. Vc: Simple bass line. Dynamics: *mf* in measures 174, 175, and 176.

191

Vn I

Vn II

Va

Vc

mf

mf

mf

197

Vn I

Vn II

Va

Vc

203

Vn I

Vn II

Va

Vc

209

Vn I

Vn II

Va

Vc

p

p

p

215

Vn I

Vn II

Va

Vc

mf

mf

mf

221

Vn I

Vn II

Va

Vc

227

Vn I

Vn II

Va

Vc

233

Vn I

Vn II

Va

Vc

f

239

Vn I

Vn II

Va

Vc

245

Vn I

Vn II

Va

Vc

p

p

p

p

251

Vn I

Vn II

Va

Vc

257

Vn I

Vn II

Va

Vc

pp

pp

pp

264

Vn I

Vn II

Va

Vc

Measures 264-269. Vn I: Melodic line with half notes and eighth notes. Vn II: Rhythmic pattern of eighth notes. Va: Melodic line with half notes and eighth notes. Vc: Simple bass line with quarter notes and rests.

271

Vn I

Vn II

Va

Vc

Measures 271-276. Vn I: Melodic line with half notes and eighth notes. Vn II: Rhythmic pattern of eighth notes. Va: Melodic line with half notes and eighth notes. Vc: Simple bass line with quarter notes and rests.

10'00

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 string orchestra and voice, string orchestra and clarinet, a nonet for winds and strings, and several 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, the Bronx Arts Ensemble and the Duo + Ensemble. During the 2004-06 seasons, he was composer in residence of One World Symphony, a New York City based orchestra. One World Symphony has premiered several major works, including "Invisible Ballet" for orchestra, "Two Sad Songs" setting poems by W.B. Yeats for soprano & string orchestra, and a cycle of songs for two cellos and two mezzo sopranos setting poems by the New Jersey poet William Carlos Williams. In 2006, One World commissioned three works – a setting of the Ophelia songs from Shakespeare's "Hamlet" for soprano, harp and string orchestra, an orchestral work, "Pluto," for a program featuring Holst's "The Planets," and a setting of poetry for a concert honoring those who lost their lives on 9/11. Recent works include "The Four Elements" for viola and string orchestra commissioned by violist Brett Deubner and "Mystical Songs" for soprano, viola and string orchestra commissioned by the Universidad Tecnica Particular de Loja. In 2009, an entire program of music by Stan Grill was performed in Tokyo by the Duo + Ensemble. In 2012, the Pandolfis Consort commissioned and performed new music for early instruments including "Rilke Songs" for soprano, viola d'amore and cello and "Lieder ohne Worte" for 2 violas, cello and theorbo. Also in 2012, Camerata Philadelphia performed "Pavanne to a world without war." Stan currently works in Philadelphia, and lives happily in New Jersey with his wife, cats and piano.

"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.

Complete scores are available in the American Music Center's on-line library. Please go to Stan's web page at [American Music Center](#).



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