

(B)locks

for chamber ensemble

**Jonas Skaarud
2013**

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for chamber ensemble

Instrumentation:

Flute
2 clarinets in Bb
Tenor-saxophone
Tuba
Piano
Accordion
2 violins
Viola
Violoncello
Double bass

SCORE IS TRANSPOSED

Suggested staging:

Written in 2012

First performed: 11th january, 2013

Oslo Concert House, Oslo, Norway

by NMH Sinfonietta and Per Sigmund Thorp (conductor)

Revised 2014

Durata: approx. 15-17 mins.

TUBA	ACC.	SAX.	
PNO.	VLA.	VLC.	D.B.
CL. I	CL. II		
FL.			
VLN I	VLN II	CONDUCTOR	

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Jonas Skaarud 2012 (2014/15)

Statico, senza misura*(each bar approx. 10-12 sec.)

Clarinet in Bb I

Tenor Saxophone

Tuba

Piano

Accordion

Violin 1

Violin 2

Viola

Cello

Bass

* Musicians start on cue from conductor. (However, in this movement the musicians are given the full score in the parts so they are able to follow.)

** Change bow strokes whenever needed, but as discret as possible

*** No dynamic changes, unless asked for - as static as possible

Attacca a II

A

= c. 110-120

Flute

Clarinet in B_b 1

Clarinet in B_b 2

Tenor Sax

Tuba

Piano

Accordion

Violin I

Violin II

Viola

Cello

Double Bass

flz.

air

f

pp

mf

p

ppp

air flz.

f

pp

mf

p

mf

pp

f

pp

mf

ppp

Una Corda

Jeté

S.P.

Ord.

Sul IV

Vibr. a

molto S.P.

B

[X3]

Fl. f (b.) pp

B♭ Cl. 1 f pp (do not play first time) flz. (senza flz.) ff

B♭ Cl. 2 f pp mf pp p ff

T. Sx. f pp f pp

* Sung multiphonic - top note to be sung, lower note to be played

M* - - - -

Tuba p f pp flz. f

Pno. 10 8va - - - - mf f (l.v.)

Acc. B.S. f pp p tre corde f (sempr.) Una Corda tre corde f

Vln. I 10 f pp p ff (gliss.)

Vln. II f pp p ff (gliss.)

Vla. f pp p ff (gliss.)

Vc. f (mf) p mf pp p ff

D.B. f pp f pp p ff

C

[X5]

Fl. *flz.*
 B♭ Cl. 1
 B♭ Cl. 2
 T. Sx.
 Tuba
 Pno.
Una Corda
(sempre sforz.)
 Acc.
 Vln. I [F] → [S]
 Vln. II *Jeté*
 Vla.
 Vc.
 D.B.
Molto vibr.
S.P.
Molto S.P.
(molto S.P.)
B.S.
Ord.
molto S.P.
(molto S.P.)
Jeté
S.P.
Ord.
Jeté
molto S.P.

D

[X3]

Fl. tone flz.
B♭ Cl. 1 airy tone
B♭ Cl. 2
T. Sx. m^f pp
Tuba 27 M flz.
Pno. 27 p mf
Acc. 27 B.S. f
Vln. I 27 S.P. p mf p
Vln. II 27 S.P. Ord. Jeté f p
Vla. 27 mf pp
Vc. 27 Vibr. a 5:4 pp
D.B. molto S.P. pp p pp

E

[X4]

B♭ Cl. 1 pp mf
B♭ Cl. 2 pp
T. Sx. pp mf pp
Tuba 27 pp mf ff
Pno. 27 mf mp f
Acc. 27 B.S. f
Vln. I 27 Ord. (bⁿ) pp
Vln. II 27 Ord. (bⁿ) pp
Vla. 27 mf pp
Vc. 27 Vibr. a (bⁿ) pp
D.B. 27 S.P. pp p ppp



B.S. 27 f
Vln. I 27 Ord. (bⁿ) pp
Vln. II 27 Ord. (bⁿ) pp
Vla. 27 mf pp
Vc. 27 Vibr. a (bⁿ) pp
D.B. 27 molto S.P. pp p pp
Vln. I 27 Ord. (bⁿ) pp
Vln. II 27 Ord. (bⁿ) pp
Vla. 27 mf pp
Vc. 27 Vibr. a (bⁿ) pp
D.B. 27 pp f p ff

F

Fl. *pp* *mf* *p*

B♭ Cl. 1 *pp* *mf* *p* *pp*

B♭ Cl. 2 *pp* *mf* *p* *f* *pp*

T. Sx. *mf* *pp*

Tuba 36 (tone to air) *pp* *mf*

(sim.) *pp* *mf*

flz. *pp* *mf* *p* *f*

flz. *pp* *mf* *f*

[X5]

Pno. *p* *mf* *p* *mf* *f*

Acc. *p* *f* *pp* *p* *mf* *pp* *f* *pp*

B.S. *p* *f* *pp*

B.S. *p* *f* *pp*

8va *pp* *mf* *pp* *f* *pp*

G

Vln. I *Ord.* *S.P.* (*a*) *f* *p*

molto S.P. *[S]* *[F]* *Ord.* *S.P.* (*a*) *f* *p*

Vln. II *pp* *f* *p* *mf*

Ord. *S.P.* (*a*) *f* *p* *mf*

Ord. *S.P.* (*a*) *f* *p* *mf*

Vla. *pp* *f* *p* *f*

Vc. *f* *p* *mf* *pp*

S.P. (*b*) *f* *p* *mf* *pp*

D.B. *S.P.* (*c*) *molto* *f* *p*

S.P. (*b*) *f* *p* *pp*

Ord. *pp* *mf* *pp*

Ord. *pp* *mf* *pp*

Ord. *pp* *mf* *f* *p*

[X5]

H**[X4]****[X6]**

Fl. (no trill first time) *f* *pp* *mf* *pp* (play only first time) *f* *pp*

B♭ Cl. 1 *pp* *f* *p* *f* *pp* *mf* *pp*

B♭ Cl. 2 *p* *f* *p* *f* *p* *f* *p*

T. Sx. *pp* *f* *pp*

Tuba *f* *pp* *f* *pp*

Pno. (l.v.) (poco) *mf* *p* *mf* *mf*

Acc. *pp* *f* *pp*

Vln. I (play only first time) *pp* *p* *f* *mf* *p* *mf* *pp* *f* *pp*

Vln. II *p* *f* *pp* *mf*

Vla. *p* *f* *p* *f* *p* *f*

Vc. *pp* *p* *f* *pp* *mf* *pp* *f* *p*

D.B. *pp* *p* *f* *p* *f* *p* *f* *mf*

I

[X7]

[X2]

Fl. *f* — *pp*

B♭ Cl. 1 *pp* — *mf*

B♭ Cl. 2 *f* — *p* (bass) — *mf*

T. Sx. *pp* — *f* — *pp* — *f* — *(sim.)* — *p* — *f* — *p*

Tuba *f* — *pp* — *f* — *pp* — *f* — *p*

Pno. *mf* — *p* (7) — *mf* — *p* (7) — *mf* — *p* (3) — *mf*

Acc. *p* — *f* — *p* — *f* — *p* — *pp* — *mf* (statico)

Vln. I *f* — *pp* — *Jeté* — *f* — *pp* — *Jeté* — *f* — *pp* — *Jeté* — *f* — *pp* — *f* — *pp*

Vln. II *p* — *f* — *p* — *mf* — *p* — *p* — *molto S.P.* — *p* — *p* — *Ord.* — *(mf)* — *pp*

Vla. *f* — *p* — *mf* — *p* — *p* — *mf* — *p* — *p* — *f* — *p* — *f* — *p*

Vc. *f* — *p* — *Jeté* — *f* — *p* — *S.P.* — *p* — *f* — *pp* — *(S.P.)* — *f* — *pp* — *Ord.* — *Jeté*

D.B. *p* — *mf* — *p* — *p* — *mf* — *pp* — *Vibr. a* — *p* — *mf* — *pp* — *Vibr. a* — *p* — *pp* — *mf*

J

[X9]

K

[X6]

Fl. *pp* *f*

B♭ Cl. 1 *p* *pp*

B♭ Cl. 2 *p* *pp*

T. Sx. *f*

Tuba *M* *pp* *mf* *pp*

Pno. *p* *mf* *pp* *mp* *f* *mp* *f* *mp* *f* *tre corde*

Acc. *f* *pp* *f* *pp* *p* *f* *p*

Vln. I *f* *p* *(p)* *f* *f* *pp* *f*

Vln. II *mf* *pp* *molto S.P.* *Ord.* *f* *pp* *f* *mp*

Vla. *f* *p* *[S]* *f* *pp* *[S]* *f* *pp* *p* *f* *p*

Vc. *Jeté* *mf* *p* *(p)* *f* *p* *(b)* *f* *p* *(b)*

D.B. *pp* *mf*

[S] → [F]

[F] → [S]

*breathe when necessary,
but as discreet as possible*

fl.
 Fl. *p* — *f* — *pp*
 (F) — [S] —
 B♭ Cl. 1 *f* — *mf* — *pp*
 [S] — → [F] — [S]
 B♭ Cl. 2 *p* — *f* — *pp*
 T. Sx. *f* — *pp* — *f* — *pp*
 Tuba *M* —
f — *pp*
 Pno. *ff* — *ff* —
 Acc. *p* — *ff* — *pp*
 Vln. I *mf* — *pp*
 Vln. II *f* — *p* — *mf* — *p*
 Vla. *f* —
 Vc. *f* — *Poco* — *pp*
 D.B. *f* — *mf* — → *no trem.* — *p*

B.S. —
Ord. —
molto —
pppp —
p — *pppp*
pp —
molto S.P. —
S.P. —
pp —
p — *ppp*
(A) —
Poco — *pp*
Bow change (if needed) as discreet as possible
(Ord.) —
molto S.P.
(#) — *pppp*

3A

Molto tranquillo, quasi statico,
quasi senza misura ♩ = c. 60 *

Flute

Clarinet I

Tenor Sax

Piano

Violin II

Viola

Lunga

(sim.)

p

pp

p

Sul IV
S.P.

una corda

p

Slow bow

p

* Tempo should generally be freely. May be performed either with or without conductor.
(Musicians are given full score in the parts.)

Fl.

Cl. I

T. Sx.

Pno.

Vln. II

Vla.

5

6

7

8

pp

p

flz.

(to airy tone)

pp

p

pp

p

p

p

pp

p

pp

p

pp

p

pp

p

pp

p

Regular bow

(S.T.)

(S.T.)

S.P.

S.P.

p

p

p

3B

Molto tranquillo, quasi statico,
quasi senza misura $\text{♩} = \text{c. } 60^*$

Clarinet II

Tenor Sax

Piano

Accordion

Violin I

Cello

Double Bass

Lunga

sim.

sempre una corda

S.P.

sempre una corda

S.P.

* Tempo should generally be freely. May be performed either with or without conductor.
 (Musicians are given full score in the parts.)

(No breaks from here)

Cl. II

T. Sx.

Pno.

Acc.

Vln. I

Vc.

D.B.

molto S.P.

Ord.

poco

3C

Molto tranquillo, quasi statico,
quasi senza misura $\text{♩} = \text{c. } 60^*$

Flute

Clarinet in B \flat 1

Clarinet in B \flat 2

Piano

Accordion

Violin II I

Viola II

Cello

Lunga

sim.

(no break)

molto S.P.

Ord.

S.P.

sempre una corda

* Tempo should generally be freely. May be performed either with or without conductor.
 (Musicians are given full score in the parts.)

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A $\text{♩} = \text{c.. } 120$

Flute: f , p , pp , mf , $tr.$, $flz.$
 Clarinet in B \flat 1: pp , f
 Clarinet in B \flat 2: p , f , p , f
 Tenor sax.: pp , f , pp

[X5] B $\text{♩} = \text{c.. } 60$

Tuba: M , pp , f , pp
 Piano: p , mf , ff

Accordion: $B.S.$, f , pp , f , pp , p , pp

Violin 1: $S.P.$, mf , p , pp , $Sul II$, $[S]$, $[F]$, $Sul IV$, $S.P.$
 Violin 2: p , f , $S.P.$, $Ord.$, f , pp , $S.P.$, p , $S.P.$
 Viola: $(\text{do not play first time})$, f , pp , $Jeté$, f , pp , p , $Sul IV$, $S.P.$
 Cello: p , f , pp , mf , pp , p , pp , p , $S.P.$
 Bass: pp , f , p , f

C

Tempo I

Fl.

B♭ Cl. 1

B♭ Cl. 2

Ten. sax.

Tuba

Pno.

Acc.

[X5]

Tempo II

Air sound, no pitch - slow, pulsating, but random rhythm.

(airy tone)

Air sound, no pitch - slow, pulsating, but random rhythm.

(airy tone)

Air sound, no pitch - slow, pulsating, but random rhythm.

Random multiphonics possible at low dynamics - performer/conductor chooses character Slowly pulsating, with random rhythm

M

Air sound, no pitch - slow, pulsating, but random rhythm.

8va.

ff

Air sound, using the bellow - slow, pulsating, but random rhythm.

ff

[X5]

D

Vln. 1

Vln. 2

Vla.

Vlc.

Cb.

S.P.

Ord. Sul II [S] → [F]

Ord.

Jeté

poco

(sim.)

molto

S.P.

molto

S.P.

molto vibr.

senza vibr.

E

Tempo I

Fl. flz.
Bb Cl. 1
Bb Cl. 2
Ten. sax.
Tuba
Pno.
Acc.

[X4]

Fl. f p f pp f
Bb Cl. 1 pp p f pp f
Bb Cl. 2 pp p f pp f
Ten. sax. pp f pp f
Tuba M pp f pp
Pno. f mf f ff
Acc. B.S. p f pp

F

Tempo II (airy tone)

Fl. p mp pp p mp pp p mp pp
Bb Cl. 1 (airy tone) p mp pp p mp pp p mp pp
Bb Cl. 2 (airy tone) p mp pp p mp pp p mp pp
Ten. sax. <p><p>
Tuba <p><p>

G

[X3]

Vln. 1 Ord. ff f (fortissimo only first time) f p f pp f pp
Vln. 2 Ord. ff p f pp f pp
Vla. Ord. ff f (fortissimo only first time) f p
Vlc. Ord. ff p f pp f pp
Cb. 23 pp f pp f pp f

(only first time)

Vln. 1 S.P. molto vibr. senza vibr. (first time) (2nd and 3rd time) (S.P.)
Vln. 2 S.P. molto vibr. senza vibr. (S.P.)
Vla. S.P. molto vibr. senza vibr. (S.P.)
Vlc. S.P. molto vibr. senza vibr. Ord.
Cb. 23 pp f pp f pp f

H

Tempo I

[X5]

Tempo II

[X7]

FINE

Fl.

B♭ Cl. 1

B♭ Cl. 2

Ten. sax.

Tuba

Pno.

Acc.

Vln. 1

Vln. 2

Vla.

Vlc.

Cb.