"Parade of Words"

for mezzo soprano and bas bariton

dedicated to

by Ali Riza SARAL

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Forword

This is a satirical work based on the parody of the English, German and Turkish words. The words make fun of the current Turkish culture but also the international culture a little bit.

I am strongly disgusted with the current tendency in the human culture towards popularization. Vote of the population has become the golden criterium and many is trying to glorify the population rather than criticizing its weaknesses. Democracy has been a miracle to solve many problems but also it has brought popularization together.

Anything that becomes popular is viable in our current world. Explicit pictures of burned humans in an Russian airplane accident were taken and they were spread by agencies and they were broadcasted and printed widely all over the world. The Turkish Television channels broadcast news where a striking event, accident, suicide etc. whatever it is, repeating them many times. The reason is to drive the attention of as many as possible and increase their advertisement credit. Anything that drives the attention or money of as many as possible people is viable.

My work mocks at the current tendencies in the human culture.

Introduction

This piece is written for two voice, male and femal, prefarably mezzosoprano and bas bariton. It is a standup piece.

The notation has 4 types:

- -phonetics, written at the top of two staffs.
- -normal notation, mixed with others
- -speech notation, which indicates only two approximate pitch levels, with no duration indication
- -indefinite staff, which indicates three approximate pitch levels with definite duration indications

The phonetics staffs indicate the phonetical value of the words on the below staffs. Loudness is indicated by the size, pitch height is indicated by the thickness of lines, duration is indicated by repetition when necessary.



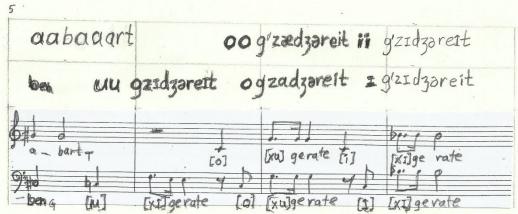


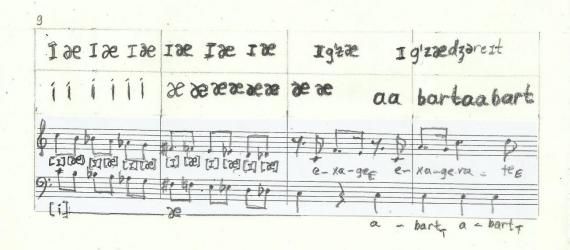
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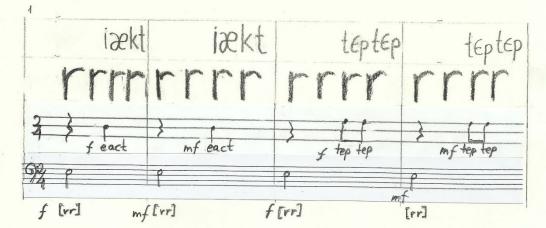




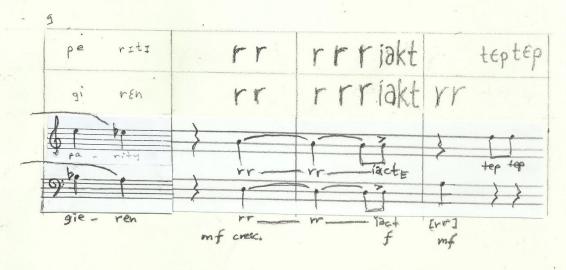


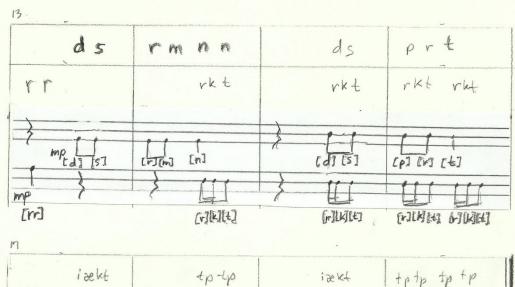
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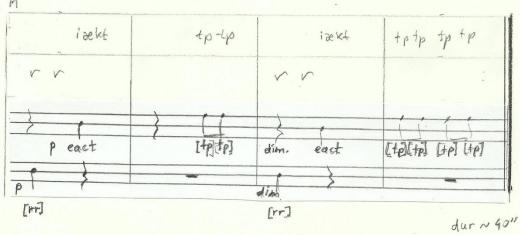












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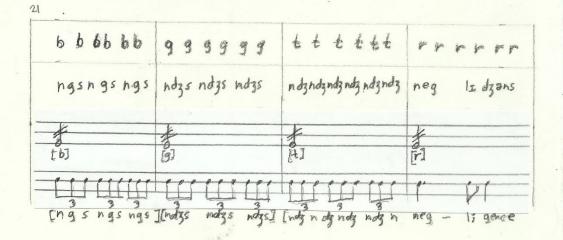
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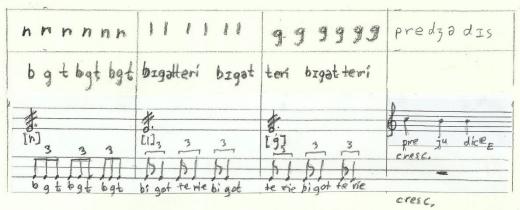
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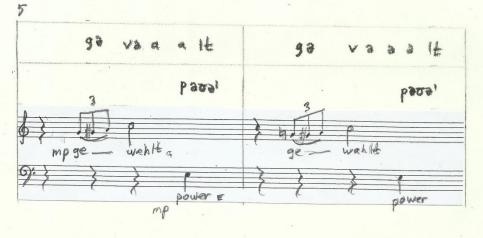
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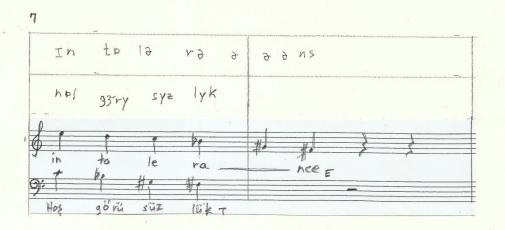




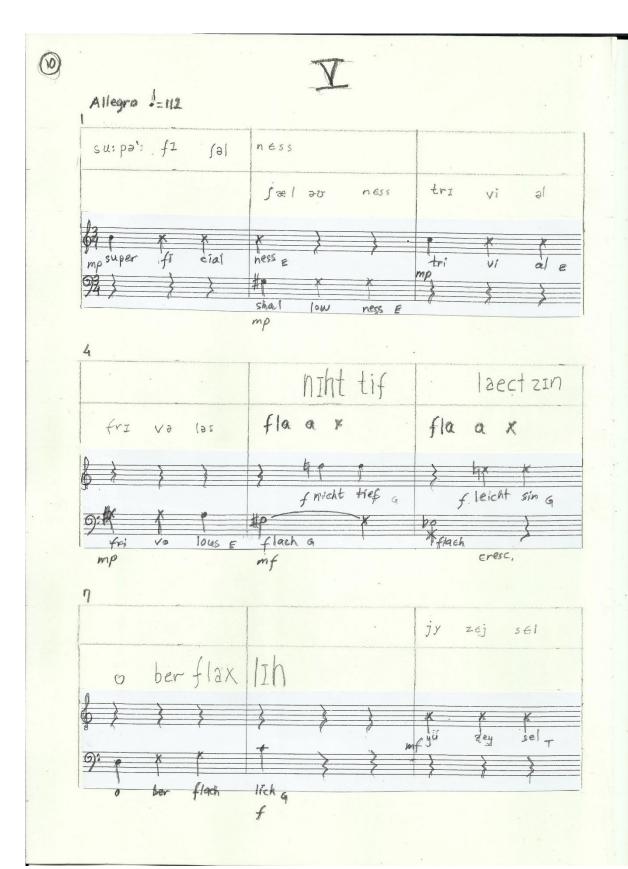




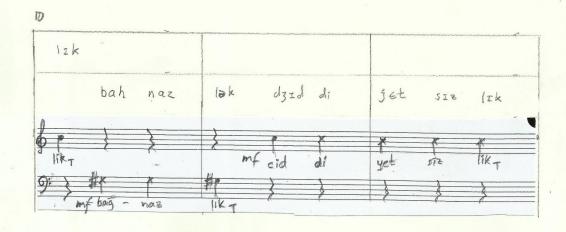


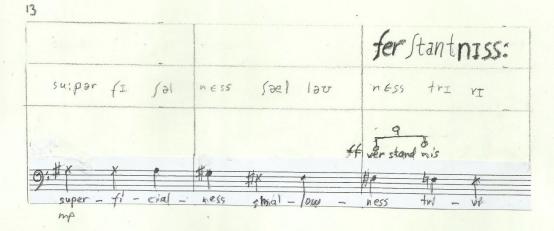


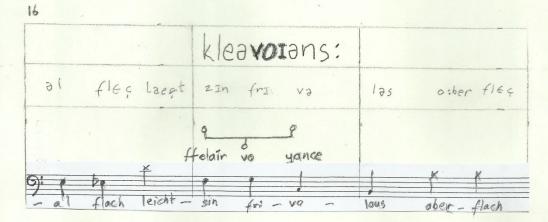
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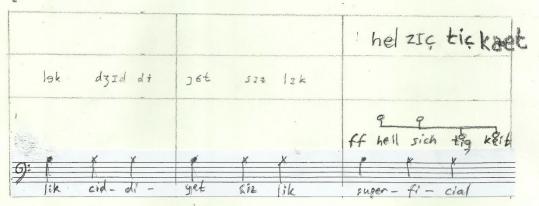


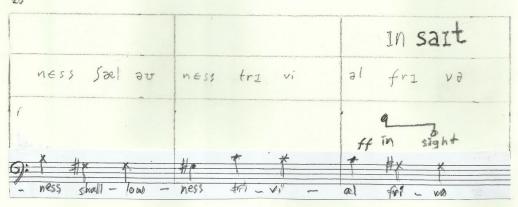




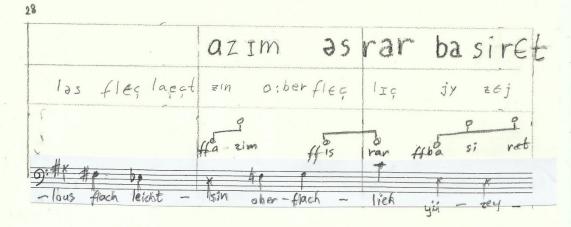


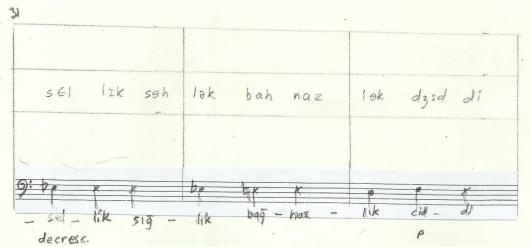
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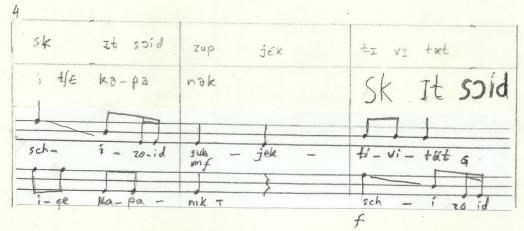


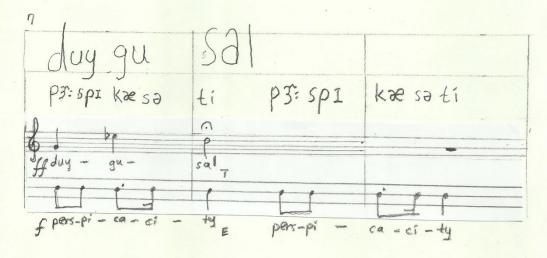
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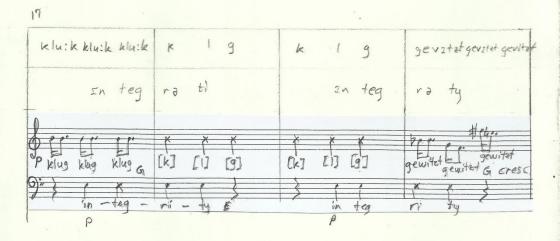
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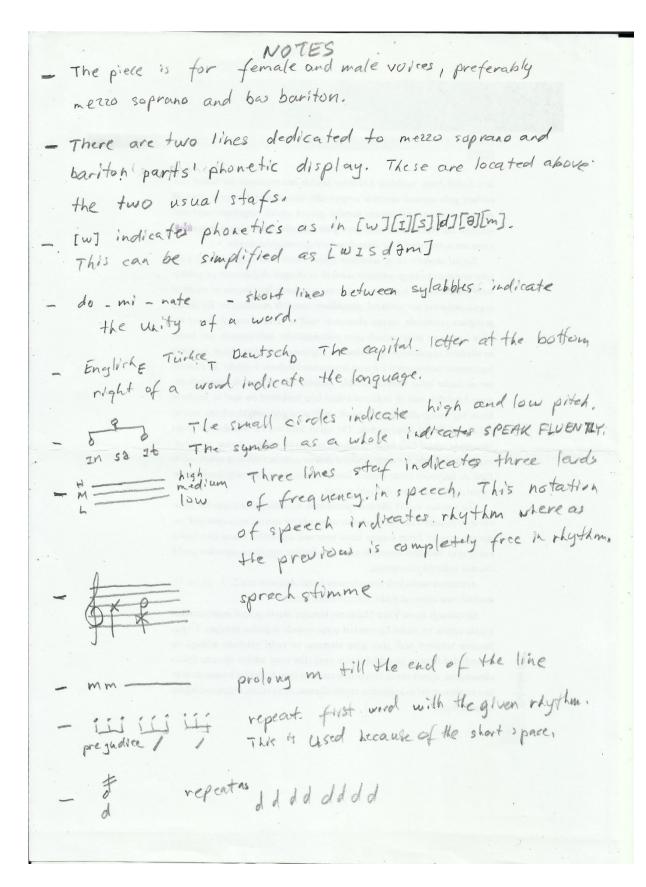


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Musical Terms



Sketches







On the Perception of Unidentified Entities

We can identify things that we percieve. This does not mean that we do not percieve things that we can not identify.

If the input perturbation is too small, we can not hear, see etc., identify the entity. For example, in an orchestra, it is impossible for every violin player in the violin section to play exactly the same color, pitch namely the sound. It is impossible for us, the listener to hear each performer's different sound but instead we hear the rich, deep sound of the violin section, rather than the week sound of a single violin.

We percieve the minute differences in the violin section as a feeling, a warmth, richness and depth. We percieve small changes that can not be identified not cognitively but emotionally.

This may be the reason why small changes are frequently used in music performances. The key here is to make the change, for ex. a temporary tempo change, in such a way that it can barely be heard but can not be identified or noticed, though can be percieved emotionally.

The entities that are unidentified include not only very small values but also unmeasurable continuous quantities. This varies from the perception of physical values of heat, light etc. to the social values such as risk, friendness etc.

The languages include words such as hot, cold, very hot, bright etc. or dangerous, true friend etc. words to describe these entities. If paid attention one can notice that these are all emotion related words or concepts.

The reason that an entity is unidentified may be related to the modality of the perception. We cannot identify quantitatively any visual input. We cannot identify something if it is the first time we see it.

Color, hue, brightness etc. light attributes are all unmeasurable continuous values. It is impossible to identify them objectively. We cannot remember a view if it is not identified in the related semantical memory. We can only recall that view if we see it again. Namely, we can remember a view only if it is recorded as part of an event in the episodic memory.

Aural modality has some similarities with visual modality. Timbre, loudness, tempo, etc. many parameters are continuous unidentifiable values, except pitch. Instrumental music can mostly not go to episodic memory. There is a window of attention of the listener which slides through the music piece which builds a balance of recalled elements and freshness. The unity of the piece is achieved through making small or unidentifiable changes of the initial material. The listener can percieve this emotionally rather than cognitively.

This is the reason that music expresses things that words cannot. Music touches the heart through feelings aroused by unidentified entities.

About the Composer

Ali R+ SARAL has studied double majors and has two Master's degrees,

MSc and BSC from Istanbul Technical University and MM from Illinois State University.

He was accepted to the Istanbul State Conservatoir Composition and Theory Department and

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He was a student of Roque CORDERO and Arthur CORRA at USA.

He has attended courses at Stanford University CCRMA lab and Darmstad 1996.

He has written 24 works of music approx. 5 and 1/2 hours long.

You can find his compositions at Petrucci Library: http://imslp.org/wiki/Category:Saral, Ali Riza

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List of Compositions

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Isparta, 1960

Şan ve Orkestra

Ani's Papyrus² "Mezzosoprano, Bas Bariton, Koro ve Orkestra İçin Oratoryo", 2002 (19')

Rumi Cantata "BACH cantata setup" (SATB solistler, SATB koro, yaylı çalgılar orkestrası), 2015

Orkestra

Missing Spaces 3 (yaylı çalgılar orkestrası), 1999 (6')

The Secret at the Light House (yaylı çalgılar orkestrası⁴), 2014 (10')

Oda Müziği

Obua ve Piyano İçin Üç Parça⁵, 1988 (9')

Passacaglia "Dört Çalgı Partisi İçin), 1988 (3')

Calls from the Past (Trio; flüt, obua, fagot), 1988 (5')

Mutations - Mutation of Variation towards Sonata (Nefesli Beşli: flüt, obua, klarnet, fagot, korno), 1989 (9')

Improvisation (viyola, piyano), 1990 (6')

Viyola ve Piyano için Sonat 6, 2000 (14')

String Quartet No.1, 2001 **(20')**

¹ Bestecinin eserlerinin tümü; **Petrucci** kütüphanesindedir: http://imslp.org/wiki/Category:Saral, Ali Riza

² "The Book of Dead" üzerine kurulu

³ Kayıp Boşluklar

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⁵ Three Pieces for Oboe and Piano

⁶ Ruşen Güneş için

Trio for Oboe, Cello and Piano, 2012 (9')

String Quartet 2 "Ottoman Suite", 2015 (20')

Patterns "Wind Trio, For Flute, Clarinet, Bassoon", 2015 (12')

Rumi's Warning "Two Harps", 2016 (4')

ThaLaasSaaa They Shouted "Percussion Ensemble", 2016 (6')

Solo Calgi

The Musical Riddle (viyolonsel), 1991 (7')

Piyano İçin Sonat, 2001 (15')

"Aural Poem" Gitar İçin Sonat, 2003, 15'

41 Variations on a Hymn (gitar), 2015 (25')

Şan/Koro

Gönül Kimi Severse "Eskişehir Oyun Müzikleri Üzerine Koro, Gitar, Kaşık, Flüt İçin Düzenleme" (süit biçiminde), 1985 (10')

Tribute to the Wise One 7 "SATB Çift Koro İçin" (sonat formunda), 1994

Anatolia 8 "Eşliksiz Solo Ses İçin Etüt", 2000 (5' - ~)

Şan ve Eşlik

The Music of Words "Secular Cantata for Soprano and Pierrot Quintet" (flüt/pikolo flüt, klarnet, keman, viyolonsel, piyano), 2013 (15')

Oh God Where Have You Gone "Sacred Cantata For Vocal Soloists" (soprano, tenor, flüt, korno, arp, viyola, ksilophon, perküsyon⁹), 2015

Elektroakustik Müzik

Death on the Border "Bilgisayar, 4 Trombon ve Ses Bandı İçin", 1992 (11')

⁷ Bilge Kişinin Onuruna Sunu

⁸ Anadolu. Bestecinin İngilizce notu: limited alleatory sketches on transparent paper

⁹ Triangle - Tambur - Cymbal, Tenor drum - snare drum(snares off)