

Jacob Bancks (2014)

for the American Modern Ensemble, with support from Augustana College

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Kinetic, vigorous ♩ = 92 (♩ = ♩ sempre)

background

4

f *p* *f*

(2+2+3) 2

9

bring out

fp *f* *ff* *mf* *p*

11

12

mp *p* *mf* *tr* *(p)* *mf*

14

mf *mf* *p* *mp* *mf* *mp*

17

mf *mp* *fp* *mf* *p* *pp*

sul A

21

bring out

p *f* *sfz*

24

27

from far away

bring out, crystal clear

pp *mf* *f* *mp* *p* *mf* *f*

32

mf *espr.* *mp* *mf* *mp* *mf*

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35 *mp* *f* *mf* *mp* *p*

38 *pp* *n* *p* *mp* *pp* *mp* *mf* *ff*
sul pont. *tr*

42 *fp* *fp* *f* *mp* *pp* *mp*
ord. *tr*

47 *mf* *f*

49 *ff* *fp* *mf* *fp* *mf*

51 *p* *mp* *mf* *f* *ff*
8va

53 *fff* full force *ff* *p* *ff*
any random, very high pitches *tr*

56 *f* *ff* *p* *ff* (*ff*) (Time)

The image shows a page of a violin score with eight staves of music. Each staff begins with a measure number in a box. The music is written in treble clef with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The score includes various dynamic markings such as *mp*, *f*, *mf*, *p*, *pp*, *n*, *fp*, *ff*, and *fff*. Performance instructions include *sul pont.*, *ord.*, and *any random, very high pitches*. Trills are indicated by a wavy line above a note and labeled *tr*. A *8va* instruction is placed above a dashed line. The score concludes with a time signature change to 3/4 and the word *(Time)*.

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59 *f* *ff* *f* *f* *p* *ff*

64 *mf* *ff* *f* *fff* *8va*

67 *pp* *mp* *fff* *fff* *f* *as before*

71 *fff* *full force* *pp*

72

73 *mp* *f* *fff*

75 *f* *p* *ff* *mp* *ff* *tr*

80 *mf* *ff* *f* *mf* *8va*

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83 84

ff *fp* *mp* *ff*

87

mp *f* *mp* *ff* *mp* *mf* *ff*
sub. *sub.* *sub.*

90 92 Same tempo (♩ = 92)

pp *mp* *pp*
sotto voce

95 (*sotto voce*)

n *p* *n* *ppp* *sotto voce* *n*

99

pp *pp* *mp* *ppp*

103 ♩ = 63, dark, lonely 105

107 *poco accel.* (2+2+3) 111 ♩ = 69

3 **7**

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poco accel.
118 (2+2+3) 119 ♩ = 76 (sotto voce)
pp sotto voce *p* *poco* *poco* *pp*

122 *p* *poco* *poco* *mp* dolce *pp* *p* *mp* *mf*

poco accel.
126 (2+2+3) 127 ♩ = 84 pizz. arco
fp *mp* *p* *mf* *mf* *fp*

129 pizz. arco
mf *ff* *p* sub.

132 *p* *mp* *mf* *poco accel.* (2+2+3)

135 ♩ = 92 (Tempo I)
sfz *mp* dolce *mf* *mp* *f* *mf* dolce

138 *fp* (*p*) *mp* *mf* *fp* *mf* *p*

poco accel. 143 ♩ = 100
142 (2+2+3) *mp* dolce *fp* *f* *mp* *fp* *mf* *fp*

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145 *f* *mp dolce* *f* *p* *mf*

148 *mp* *f* *fp* *f* *accel.*

150 *mp sub.* *ff* *mp* *151* ♩ = 116 *accel. sempre*

Sva

(2+2+3)

152 *ff* *mp* *mf* *ff sub.*

154 *mf* *f* *mf* *ff* *sfz* *sfz* *(accel.)*

156 *p sub.* *mf* *sfz*

158 *f* *fff* *159* ♩ = 168 or faster

160 *pp possible* *fff full force*