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Performance Notes

LEXICON, for flute quartet, was designed for intermediate-to-advanced players as an introduction to a variety of styles and techniques. These include:

- Movt. I: Atonality, Proportional notation
- II: Improvisation, Modal harmony
- III: Minimalism, Phase music, Harmonics
- IV: Cluster harmony, non vibrato and color *tremelandi*
- V: Neo-Romanticism, Pan-Diatonicism and Metric Modulation

LEXICON may be performed as a complete set of five movements or as separate movements. It is suggested however that movement I always be followed by II. LEXICON may be performed by a quartet or evenly doubled choir

Music indicated "*Senza Misura*" uses proportional notation and is played freely, without exact verticle coordination. A single numeral time signature indicates approximate length of measure in seconds.

"F" indicates free measure of indeterminate length.

Notes followed by trill repeat *ad lib* until next figure

Notes contained within boxes may repeat in any order, but only in register indicated.

The improvisation in II should consist of gentle sweels with neighboring tones used sparingly.

duration: c. 13 minutes

for John Bailey
and the UNL Flute Ensemble

Lexicon

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Senza Misura

I

Flute 1
Flute 2
Flute 3
Flute 4

2
Fl. 1
Fl. 2
Fl. 3
Fl. 4

3
Fl. 1
Fl. 2
Fl. 3
Fl. 4

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

mp *mp* *ff* *fp* *mp* *2 or 3xs, vary order* *fp* *fp* *mp* *2 or 3xs, vary order* *fp*

mp *p* *f* *sub p* *mp* *p* *mp* *f* *sub p* *mf* *p* *mp* *p* *f* *sub p* *mp* *p*

5

Fl. 1 *pp* *p* *mp* *mf*

Fl. 2 *pp* *p* *mp*

Fl. 3 *p* *mp* *mf*

Fl. 4 *p* *mp* *mf*

6

Fl. 1 *fp* *f* *fp* *ff*

Fl. 2 *fp* *f* *fp* *ff*

Fl. 3 *fp* *f* *fp* *ff*

Fl. 4 *fp* *f* *fp* *ff*

7

Fl. 1

Fl. 2

Fl. 3

Fl. 4

Fl. 1 *f p mf mp pp* *ff mf p*

Fl. 2 *f p mf mp* *ff fp*

Fl. 3 *f p mf p* *ff fp*

Fl. 4 *f p mf p* *ff fp*

II

Meditative

Freely

Fl. 1 *pp* *pp^a* *pp^u* *pp^o*

Fl. 2 *pp* *pp^u*

Fl. 3 *pp* *pp^o*

Fl. 4 *pp* *pp^e*

sing, *clack*, *air*, *sing*, *clack*, *sing*, *air*, *sing*, *clack*

improvise

accel.

rit.

Fl. 1 *mp*

Fl. 2 *mp*

Fl. 3 *mp*

Fl. 4 *mp*

neighboring tone

14

Fl. 1

Fl. 2

Fl. 3

Fl. 4

mp

accel. rit.

16

Fl. 1

Fl. 2

Fl. 3

Fl. 4

air *clack*

sing

clack, sing *air*

air

accel. rit.

18

Fl. 1

Fl. 2

Fl. 3

Fl. 4

p

10

sing *air* *whistle tones*

air *sing* *whistle tones*

air *sing* *whistle tones*

sing *air* *whistle tones*

Tempo Rubato ♩ = 60

III Flötenuhr

Strict Tempo ♩ = 60

20

Fl. 1 *mp* *p* *mf*

Fl. 2 *mp* *p* *mf*

Fl. 3 *mp* *mf*

Fl. 4 *mp*

24

Fl. 1 *p* *mf* *mp* *mf* *mp*

Fl. 2 *p* *mf* *p* *mf* *mp*

Fl. 3 *p* *mf* *p* *mf* *mp*

Fl. 4 *mf* *p* *mf* *mp*

a tempo

27

Fl. 1 *f* *mf* *p* *mf*

Fl. 2 *f* *p* *f* *p* *mf*

Fl. 3 *f* *p* *mp* *mf* *mp* *p*

Fl. 4 *f* *p* *mf* *p*

30

Fl. 1 *f mp > mf mp > p mf f p mf*

Fl. 2 *p f p mf p mp > mf p mp > p f*

Fl. 3 *mf p mp > p mf p mf p mp >*

Fl. 4 *mp > mf p mf mp > p mp*

33

Fl. 1 *p mp > p mf mp > p mf p mp > mf p*

Fl. 2 *mf p mp > p mf mp > mf f p mf*

Fl. 3 *f p mf p fp mf > p f p*

Fl. 4 *f p mf f mf p mp > p mf mp > f*

36

Fl. 1 *mp > mf p mf f mf*

Fl. 2 *f mp > p f mf*

Fl. 3 *mf p mf f f p*

Fl. 4 *mf mp > p f*

39

Fl. 1 *mf mp > p mf mp > mf p mf p*

Fl. 2 *mf > p mf f mf > mp > mf*

Fl. 3 *p mf mp > mf p mf f mf*

Fl. 4 *f p mf mf p mp > p mp mf molto rit.....*

42

Fl. 1 *mf mp > p mf p pp*

Fl. 2 *f p < > mp > p mf*

Fl. 3 *f mf f mf*

Fl. 4 *p mf < f mp p*

IV

Sustained $\text{♩} = 66$

45

Fl. 1 *non vib* *vib* *non vib*
ppp *pp* *p* *pp* *p*

Fl. 2 *non vib* *vib* *non vib* *vib*
ppp *pp* *pp* *p*

Fl. 3 *non vib* *vib* *non vib*
ppp *pp* *pp*

Fl. 4 *non vib* *vib* *non vib* *vib*
ppp *pp* *p*

51

Fl. 1 *vib*
p *mp* *mp* *fp* *fp*

Fl. 2 *pp* *p* *mp* *fp* *fp* *mf* *fp*

Fl. 3 *vib*
p *p* *mp* *fp* *mf*

Fl. 4 *mp* *p* *mp* *fp* *mf* *fp* *mf*

A Little Faster $\text{♩} = 76$

57

Fl. 1 *mf* *fp* *fp* *ff* *fp* *fp*

Fl. 2 *mf* *fp* *fp* *ff* *fp* *fp*

Fl. 3 *fp* *fp* *fp* *ff* *fp* *fp*

Fl. 4 *fp* *fp* *fp* *ff* *fp* *fp*

Fl. 1 *mf* *ff* *p*

Fl. 2 *fp* *mf* *f fp* *ff* *p*

Fl. 3 *mf* *f fp* *fp* *ff* *p*

Fl. 4 *fp* *mf* *f fp* *ff* *p*

64

Fl. 1 *mp*

Fl. 2 *mp*

Fl. 3 *mp*

Fl. 4 *f* *mp*

Senza Misura: Cadenza, individual entries

Fl. 1 *ff* *fp* *f, p* *f p* *mp*

Fl. 2 *ff* *fp* *f p* *f p* *f p* *mp*

Fl. 3 *ff* *fp* *f p* *f p* *f p* *mp*

Fl. 4 *ff* *fp* *f p* *f p* *f p* *mp*

Tempo ♩ = 72

68

Fl. 1 *p* *f* *p* *ff*

Fl. 2 *fp* *f* *p* *fp* *fp*

Fl. 3 *fp* *f* *p* *fp*

Fl. 4 *p* *f* *p* *fp* *fp*

72

Fl. 1 *fp* *f* *mp*

Fl. 2 *ff* *p* *f* *mp*

Fl. 3 *ff* *fp* *f* *mf* *mp* *p* *mf* *p*

Fl. 4 *fp* *fp* *f* *mf* *mp*

77

Fl. 1 *pp* *f* *p* *mp* *p* *pp* *<>*

Fl. 2 *fp* *pp* *mf* *mp* *p*

Fl. 3 *mp* *pp* *f* *pp* *p* *mp*

Fl. 4 *p* *mp* *p*

non vib *vib*

non vib *vib*

non vib

82

Fl. 1 *mp* *p* *non vib* *vib* *mp* *pp* *non vib*

Fl. 2 *non vib* *vib* *non vib* *p*

Fl. 3 *mp* *p* *pp*

Fl. 4 *vib* *non vib* *pp*

V

Melodramatic ♩. = 132

86

Fl. 1 *f* *p*

Fl. 2 *f* *p*

Fl. 3 *f* *p*

Fl. 4 *f* *p*

89

Fl. 1 *f* *mp* *f mp*

Fl. 2 *f* *mp* *f mp*

Fl. 3 *f* *mp* *f mp*

Fl. 4 *f* *mp* *f mp*

92

Fl. 1

f mp pp mf fp f

Fl. 2

f mp pp mf fp f

Fl. 3

f mp pp mf fp f

Fl. 4

f mp pp mf fp f

95

Fl. 1

mp f p f

Fl. 2

mp f p f

Fl. 3

mp f p f

Fl. 4

mp f p f

99

Fl. 1

p f

Fl. 2

p f

Fl. 3

p f

Fl. 4

p f

101

Fl. 1

Fl. 2

Fl. 3

Fl. 4

p *mp* *p* *f* *ff* *p*

5:6 5

103

Fl. 1

Fl. 2

Fl. 3

Fl. 4

fp *fff* *mf*

p *fp* *fff* *mf*

p *fp* *fff*

mf *fff*

106

♩ = 99

Fl. 1

Fl. 2

Fl. 3

Fl. 4

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

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

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

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

110

Fl. 1

Fl. 2

Fl. 3

Fl. 4

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

Detailed description: This system contains measures 110, 111, and 112. Measure 110 is in 4/4 time, with dynamics *f* and *p*. Measure 111 is in 2/4 time, with dynamics *ff* and *p*. Measure 112 is in 4/4 time, with dynamics *p*. The parts are: Fl. 1 (treble clef), Fl. 2 (treble clef), Fl. 3 (treble clef), and Fl. 4 (treble clef). Fl. 4 has a *mf* marking in measure 111.

113

Fl. 1

Fl. 2

Fl. 3

Fl. 4

Detailed description: This system contains measures 113 and 114. Both measures are in 4/4 time. The key signature changes to B-flat major (two flats). The parts are: Fl. 1 (treble clef), Fl. 2 (treble clef), Fl. 3 (treble clef), and Fl. 4 (treble clef).

115

Fl. 1

Fl. 2

Fl. 3

Fl. 4

Detailed description: This system contains measures 115 and 116. Both measures are in 4/4 time. The key signature changes to D-flat major (three flats). The parts are: Fl. 1 (treble clef), Fl. 2 (treble clef), Fl. 3 (treble clef), and Fl. 4 (treble clef).

117

Fl. 1
Fl. 2
Fl. 3
Fl. 4

This system contains measures 117 and 118. It features four staves for Flute 1, Flute 2, Flute 3, and Flute 4. The music is written in a key with one flat (B-flat major or D minor) and a 2/4 time signature. The notation includes eighth and sixteenth notes, rests, and dynamic markings such as *mf* and *f*. Measure 117 begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat. Measure 118 continues the melodic and harmonic development across all four parts.

119

Fl. 1
Fl. 2
Fl. 3
Fl. 4

This system contains measures 119 and 120. It features four staves for Flute 1, Flute 2, Flute 3, and Flute 4. The music continues from the previous system. Measure 119 starts with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat. Measure 120 shows a change in dynamics and phrasing across the four parts.

121

Fl. 1
Fl. 2
Fl. 3
Fl. 4

This system contains measures 121, 122, 123, and 124. It features four staves for Flute 1, Flute 2, Flute 3, and Flute 4. Measure 121 begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat. Measure 122 shows a change in time signature to 3/4. Measure 123 shows a change in time signature to 3/8. Measure 124 shows a change in time signature to 4/4. The notation includes dynamic markings such as *fp* and *f*.

125 *mf* *f* *p* *mf* *f* *p* *mf* *f* *p*

129 *f* *p* *f* *f* *p* *f*

132 *p* *mf* *p* *mf* *p* *mf* *p* *mf*

135

Fl. 1 *p f p f p mf fp*

Fl. 2 *p f p f p mf fp*

Fl. 3 *p f p f p mf fp*

Fl. 4 *p f p f p mf fp*

137

Fl. 1 *f p*

Fl. 2 *f p*

Fl. 3 *f p*

Fl. 4 *f p*

140

Fl. 1 *f fp fp fp fp fp*

Fl. 2 *f fp fp fp fp fp*

Fl. 3 *f fp fp fp fp fp*

Fl. 4 *f fp fp fp fp fp*

142

Fl. 1 *fp*

Fl. 2 *fp*

Fl. 3 *fp*

Fl. 4 *fp*

(♩ = ♩) ♩ = 132

144

Fl. 1 *ff* *p* *fp* *fff*

Fl. 2 *ff* *p* *fp* *fff*

Fl. 3 *ff* *p* *fp* *fff*

Fl. 4 *ff* *p* *fp* *fff*

♩ = ♩ Slow ♩ = 66

148

Fl. 1 *p*

Fl. 2 *p*

Fl. 3 *p*

Fl. 4 *p*