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To my sister,
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(1983-2009)

To my mentor,
Chinary Ung

To my committee members,
Nancy Guy, Susan Narucki
Jonathan Cohen, Ping-Hui Liao

To my parents and
my husband

To the Buddha

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ABSTRACT OF THE DISSERTATION

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During recent years, I have dedicated myself to a compositional path that involves subtle tone colors and gradations in a poetic sonic world. *yet the dew remains in pale* represents my first orchestral realization of this sonic world with a sophisticated design of tone colors. I consider my compositions to be sonic worlds in which I musically realize my dreams, imaginations, and thoughts. I transcend my personal reflections and transfer them into musical expressions to create a sonic world that connects my interior mind and the universe.

When composing *yet the dew remains in pale*, I was inspired by the poem *Jian Jia* (Rush Leaves) that primarily expresses a longing for an intangible love. I interpreted an intangible love to be a dead person whom I miss but can only meet in a dream, or through a religious ritual. To express this sort of eternal longing, I created

a musical dreamland in a mirror-like form that represents a transcendental journey to a spiritual space where I seek this intangible love. This mirror-like form musically represents a meditative process of intoning, transcending, reaching another land, falling, and returning. The pale dew, in stark contrast to the dream-like aura, symbolizes our inner tears that remain after journeying to the dreamland.

The sonic world of *yet the dew remains in pale* consists of various musical elements in a drone-based texture. These musical elements - chanting lines, the rhythmic patterns, and the melodic fragments, - all join the spectrum-based harmonic fields. Based on the drones and the spectral chords, the various composite tone colors and their timbral gradations serve as the most important musical-contextual components of the entire work. Eventually, *yet the dew remains in pale* musically represents my spiritual journey to a dreamland through a flow of tone colors.

yet the dew remains in pale - My Compositional Approach

Introduction: *yet the dew remains in pale*, for orchestra (2011-12)

INSPIRATION

The work's title, *yet the dew remains in pale* (白露未晞), comes from a sentence in the poem *Jian Jia* (Rush Leaves)¹ in *Shi Jing* (The Book of Songs), literally translating as, "white dew not yet dry."² The poem primarily expresses a longing for an intangible love. For me, an intangible love could be represented by a dead person whom one misses but can only meet in a dream, or through a religious ritual. To express this sort of eternal longing, I intend to create a musical dreamland that represents a meditation or transcendental journey to a spiritual space to seek this intangible love. Therefore, I imagined the work's structure as a mirror-like form in which the middle section serves as this dreamland. This musical dreamland represents a dreamlike aura that reflects my subconscious mind like a spiritual mirror. The pale dew, in stark contrast to the dreamlike aura, symbolizes our inner tears that remain after journeying to the dreamland. As these invocations suggest, even though the work's sonic world is filled with colors, everything ultimately falls into paleness as though overwhelmed by a thick fog.

GENERAL STRUCTURE AND FORM

The structure of *yet the dew remains in pale* comes from my work for solo alto flute, *As a Dying Haze* (2011). The flute work's structure has five sections, which I expanded

¹ *Jian Jia* (蒹葭, Rush Leaves), *Qin Feng* (秦風, Airs of Qin), *Guo Feng* (國風, The Airs of the States), *Shi Jing* (詩經, The Book of Songs).

² *The Book of Songs*, trans. Arthur Waley (New York: Grove Press, 1996)

into seven continuous sections for *yet the dew remains in pale*. Musically, *yet the dew remains in pale* presents the five images or poetic invocations from *As a Dying Haze* through seven continuous sections. These images are: "I. intoning and praying," "II. as in a dream," "III. the memory," "IV. rising winds, tears as mountain rain," and "V. loss, as time falls into dimness." The first image in the flute piece and the orchestral piece, "intoning and praying," in the first section defines the work's rudimentary musical elements - drone and gradations, as my personal meditation. **Figure 1** shows the structural plan for *yet the dew remains in pale*.

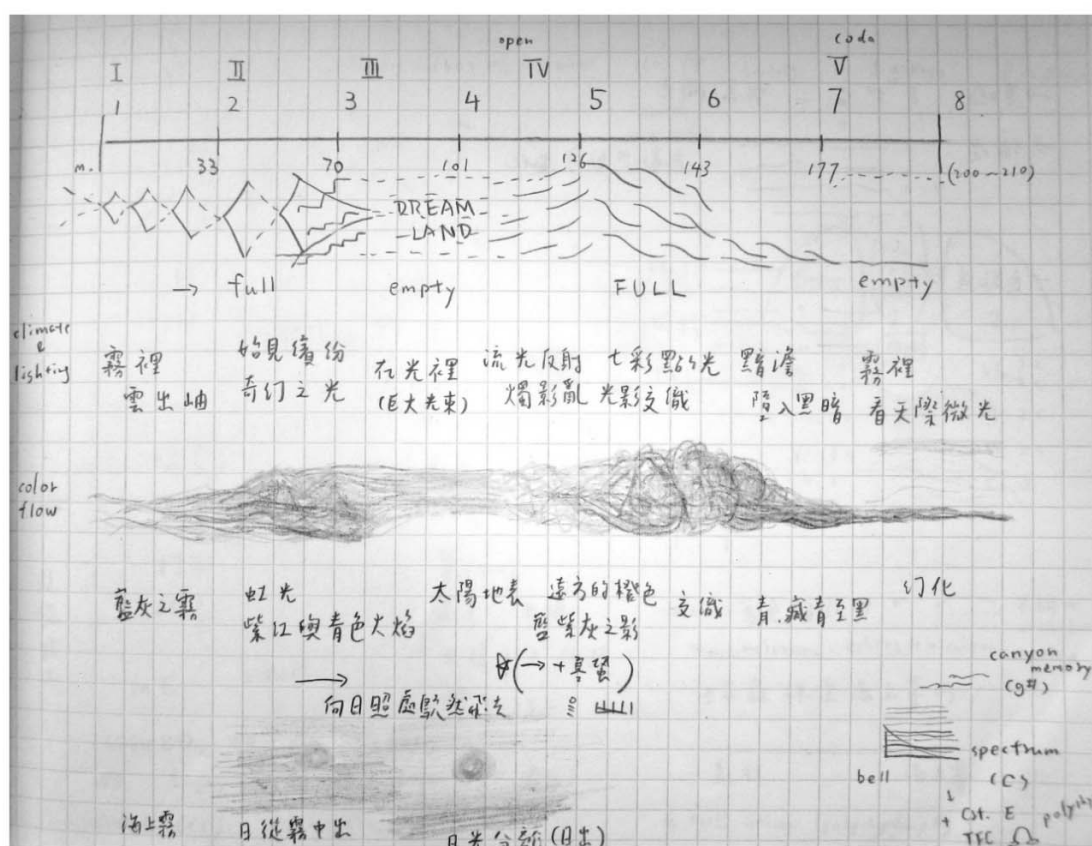


Figure 1: The structural plan of *yet the dew remains in pale*

Each section is marked according to an approximate proportion. The new seven sections' images and their colors indicated in the figure are 1) in a haze, clouds raise from the canyon (blue and gray mists), 2) meeting the magic lights (neon, burgundy and cyan fire), 3) in vast lights (solar surface), 4) reflection of flowing candles (orange in the distance with blue and purple shadows), 5) interwoven lights and shadows, 6) falling into darkness (cyan, indigo and black), and 7) gaze at the twilight in a haze (metamorphosis). The graphs in **Figure 1** also present my textural ideas for the work's structure.

The "dreamland" indicated in the third section in **Figure 1** is like a mirror in a non-retrogradable context. In other words, the texture before and after this section is roughly symmetrical whereby the structural components consist of "empty," "full," "empty (dreamland)," "FULL," and "empty." However, the musical elements' development and accumulation in the structural context are the result of a process that cannot be presented in a reversed order.

The "dreamland" section contains many melodic fragments from my older composition, *I Sing towards the Canyon* (2008), to symbolize my own memory.

Example 1 shows the original melody.



“dreamland” came to me before I created **Figure 1**, and, it served as the primary structural inspiration for *yet the dew remains in pale*.

Figure 1 provided the sketch, general concepts and plans for my reference while composing. I mapped the structural content with graphs and images, and decided approximate proportion for each section. As such, this figure presents the fundamental plan of the entire orchestral work.

I consider orchestration as colors. This idea incorporates the instruments' tone colors as well as the composed harmonic spectra. Since a solo flute work, which served as the structural model for *yet the dew remains in pale*, primarily consists of a single line, I had to imagine all of the orchestral voices. The first step was to transfer and expand the images and poetic invocations described above into musical auras. For example, I turned the image "clouds raise from the canyon" into a combination of a drone, air sounds, and high harmonic partials, the image "the memory" into fragmental melodies and a tone loop, and the images "tears as mountain rain" and "falling into darkness" into many polyrhythmic descending lines. I planned these musical auras in a short score before orchestrating them.

The seven sections marked as "I, II, III, IVa (continued III), IVb, IVc, V" in **Table 1** represent these remapped images or poetic invocations. Due to the similarity and continuity between sections I and II, section IV, which contains a raising passage, a full texture, and a descending passage, needs to be longer to balance the accumulated energy in the first two sections. Therefore, since the climax and its release are prolonged, perceptually one can consider the sections to be I+II, III+IVa, IVb+IVc, and V(Coda).

This said, as the images constantly flow there are no clear boundaries or drastic contrasts between either the seven or five structural divisions.

Table 1 shows the comparison between the score's rehearsal marks and the whole structural plan and includes the images in each section. The rehearsal marks in the score indicate structural divisions that exist at the structural-hierarchical level below the sections. Rehearsal marks **F** and **J** are the two climaxes. Because each section overlaps when the local elements need to extend, the actual measure numbers in the final score differ slightly from the sketch in **Figure 1**.

Table 1: *yet the dew remains in pale*: the final score's structure and images

Original Sections	I	II	III	III-IVa	IVb	IVc	V
Images I Poetic Invocation	intoning & praying	as in a dream	the memory	rising winds,	tears as mountain rain		loss, as time falls into dimness
New Sections	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Images II	in a haze, clouds raise from the canyon	meeting the magic lights	in vast lights	reflection of flowing candles	inter-woven lights and shadows	falling into darkness	gaze at the twilight in a haze
Rehearsal Marks	ABC	DE F G	H	I	J	KLM	NO
Actual Measures	1-33	34-72	73-102	103-127	128-145	146-180	181-210
Tempo (♩)	52-56	56-60	52-56		56-60	52-56 ..52	48
Musical Texture	colored drone line	drone line in moving spectrum	static partials	colored flowing partials	full waving spectrum	many descending lines	drone and static spectrum

The musical texture in these seven sections consists of a flow of colors. A drone line goes through the first two sections. In the first section (I), each new phrase expands

and adds new tone colors to this drone line. All the voices merge into in a spectral chord in the second section (II). The third and the fourth sections (III and IVa) contain a loop of tones alternating with a static drone. Each tone has its tone-color group. A tone-color group is a group of instruments that come from different instrumental categories (such as trombone, bass clarinet, and cello) that are treated as a single composite tone color. These tones and tone-color groups gradually accumulate and lead into the climax IVb. The fifth (IVb) section is a large drone filled with layers of voices that share the same spectrum. After the climax, the sixth section (IVc) is a large passage where many descending lines go from the highest end of entire orchestra's register to the lowest. Following this process, a drone and its spectrum return in the last section (V).

Following all the images, I consider the entire work to be musical meditation or transcendental journey that goes through a process of intoning, transcending, reaching another land, falling, and returning. Various musical objects such as drones, tone color melodies, rhythmic patterns, melodic and motivic fragments are applied to be the components of this meditative process. The work's central expression or spiritual reflection is the inner tears that are implied by the "pale dew" in the title.

PRIMARY MUSICAL MATERIALS - FROM FLUTE TO ORCHESTRA

My work for alto flute *As a Dying Haze* primarily features timbre trills and floating harmonics. These materials symbolize chant and haze. **Example 2** shows the beginning of this work.

Tempo Rubato (each empty bar within dotted barlines is strictly 1 second)

Alto Flute

Example 2: The beginning of *As a Dying Haze*

The *bisbigliando* and timbre trills create subtle changes of colors on a note. Floating harmonics, such as the whistle tone at the end of **Example 2**, derive from a tone's spectrum. For me, this variations in a single tone resemble chanting. In addition, as incenses are offered to communicate with a spiritual world through the smoke in rituals, these timbral gradations metaphorically function as haze, clouds, incenses, and vapor. In addition, these subtle differentiations in timbre can create connections between more complex tone colors. To highlight these timbral gradations, tone colors, and this symbolic meditation or ritual, *yet the dew remains in pale* features drones and a slow harmonic pacing.

To maintain a slow harmonic pacing, *yet the dew remains in pale* primarily uses a drone-based texture. To orchestrate the material from *As a Dying Haze* I transcribed the timbre trills into lines with precise rhythm in 4/4 meter. To create a syntactical flow, I transferred the timbres and phrases in the first section from the work for flute to *yet the dew remains in pale*. **Example 3** presents the short score³ of the orchestral work's beginning. In this passage, I extend the register to more octaves and add a background chord that represents an imagined haze. The circled numbers in **Example 3** are

³ Adapted from a rough sketch.

structural landmarks that indicate the phrases' varied recurrences. These phrases present the work's first "chanting" material and are orchestrated as tone color melodies on C#. The stemless notes define the pitch field where the written harmonics float.

The image displays a musical score for a piano piece, consisting of three systems of staves. The first system (measures 1-6) features a treble staff with a melodic line and a bass staff with a rhythmic accompaniment of triplets. A bracket labeled '1' spans measures 4-6. The second system (measures 7-10) continues the melodic line in the treble staff, with a bracket labeled '2' spanning measures 8-10. The third system (measures 11-14) shows the melodic line in the treble staff and the rhythmic accompaniment in the bass staff. A bracket labeled '3' spans measures 11-14. The score includes various musical notations such as stems, beams, and accidentals, and is annotated with the words 'air', '(vapor)', and '(echo)'.

Example 3: The short score of the beginning of *yet the dew remains in pale*

Some of the timbral materials in *yet the dew remains in pale* are inspired by flute sounds. For example, the *bisbigliandos* turn into the monotonic tone color melodies; the whistle tones turn into combinations between high harmonics, air sounds, thin fundamental, and light noises; flutter-tongue passages inspire the polyrhythmic *pizzicati* and air *tremolos*. **Example 2**, **Example 3** and measures (mm.) 1-15 in the score

demonstrate the initial method of how I converted this flute line into an orchestral passage. Because these materials require various combinations between instrumental groups, each line in the short score (**Example 3**) must be a composite tone color or tone color group.

However, *yet the dew remains in pale* represents a new imaginary sonic world, not just an orchestration of *As a Dying Haze*. Although these two pieces have a similar structural plan, in *yet the dew remains in pale* the flute's timbral materials are deconstructed and are assigned according to the musical texture and the orchestrational context. Eventually, these demonstrated materials provide prototypes to combine different timbral elements as composite tone colors or sounds.

The Sonic World of *yet the dew remains in pale*

CHANTING LINES

The chanting elements in *yet the dew remains in pale* fall into two categories. The first category, monotonic⁴ tone color melodies, is derived from drone singing. To symbolize drone singing, the monotonic tone color melodies also extend to create an entire musical texture that is based on a drone. The second, consisting of irregular alteration between rests and reiterations of a single rhythmic value, is inspired by *sutra* intoning. The passages of *sutra* intoning represents the syntax of a *sutra* by using passages of phrases with different length. In *yet the dew remains in pale*, these phrases relate to parts of the rhythmic material and coincide with the drone to emphasize spectral vibrations.

⁴ Based on a single pitch.

To form the work's first "drone singing" line, the muted trombone provides the fundamental line. This line is alternately colored by cello and bass clarinet (mm.4-6). In this passage, the contrabassoon and contrabass partly double the drone an octave below and the flutes and muted trumpet respond an octave above the drone. The instruments that share this same line include a combination of different instrumental categories including the woodwinds, brass and strings. This method of cross-category instrumental combination functions as tone color groups⁵ and becomes a model for the rest of the work.

The *sutra* intoning line occurs as part of the musical texture in the two climaxes (F, mm.52-69 and J, mm.128-145). In the first climax (F, m.52) a drone on D supports all the voices, including the strings' and the woodwinds' moving partials and the cellos' chanting line. Different from the previous tone color melody, this chanting line's rhythm derives from the phrasing of the *Heart Sutra*.⁶ Following the *Heart Sutra*, this line adds more rhythmic attacks and microtones to the same drone. For example, the *Heart Sutra*'s first few sentences in Chinese Mandarin are pronounced as "gūan zì zài pú sà, shíng shēn bō jě pō lúo mì dūo shíh, zhào jiàn wǔ yùn jīe kōng" (When the Bodhisattva Avalokitesvara was engaged in the practice of the deep Prajnaparamita, he perceived that there are the five Skandhas; and these he saw in their self-nature to be empty⁷). These sentences consist of phrases of five, nine, six, five, and three words. Following this model the line begins with five longer notes and is then followed by nine shorter notes.

⁵ A group contains instruments from different categories (such as woodwinds, brass, and strings) and serves as a composite tone color.

⁶ The *Heart Sutra* is one of the most read Zen Buddhist scriptures that contains a succinct description of the greatest wisdom.

⁷ *Manual of Zen Buddhism*, Daisetz Teitaro Suzuki (New York: Grove Press, 1960), 26.

In this example and other instances, the longer notes occur to break the rhythmic regularity. Following the simplicity of chanting, these irregular phrases create a continuous energy with repeated triplets in different lengths of phrases. **Example 4** shows where the cellos begin the chanting line at m.52. To articulate this chanting line, the cello is divided into two voices: the upper line moves between Eb and D with microtonal embellishments (*tenuto*) and the bottom line only plays D (*staccato*).



Example 4: The cello part in *yet the dew remains in pale*, mm.49-58

This rhythmic chanting line recurs in the second and largest climax (J, m.128) in the trombone and tuba parts. Here, the drone is on E. To emphasize the purpose of the personal chant, this *sutra* intoning line ends at the phrase "and reaches clearest Nirvana" (jiou jing nie pan) both time when it occurs. Near the end of the second climax (mm.143-145), the line abandons the drone and begins to include larger intervals that imitate the verse's speech tone, "shīn wú gù ài, wú gù ài gù, wú yǒu kǒng bù, yǎn lí dīan dǎo mèng shīang, jiou jing nie pan" (In the mind of the Bodhisattva who dwells depending on the Prajnaparamita there are no obstacles and, goin beyond the perverted

views, he reaches final Nirvana⁸). In **Example 5**, the first trombone's line represents the speech's intonations.



Example 5: The chanting line in *yet the dew remains in pale*, mm.142-145

To imitate prayer, the drone singing lines include various spectra and composite tone colors, and the *sutra* intoning lines contain reiterated single rhythmic values and irregular phrasing. These musical elements – drone, spectra, monotonic lines, composite tone colors, reiterated single rhythmic values, and irregular phrase-lengths – become the fundamental components of the work.

RHYTHM

Because the work use many drones, various rhythmic patterns participate in the texture as part of the gradation of tone colors. Two rhythmic groups occupy a large proportion of the continuous chord spectrum and instrumental voices. The first is the "wave" pattern that consists of four polyrhythmic lines. This pattern first occurs in the second section (m.34) in the second violin's part that serves as the written-out spectral waves. **Example 6** shows this "wave" pattern in a process of slow–fast–slow.

⁸ Ibid. 27.



Example 7: The "forest" rhythmic pattern

The "forest" pattern remains a consistent counterpoint when only part of the lines in the pattern occur. The numbers of seven, five, three, and four come from the first few phrases in the *Pure-Land Dharani*.⁹ These numbers occur repeatedly in the work and symbolize immersing in the grief of loss. For example, the first violin's note durations in mm.36-40, mm.43-44, and mm.49-51 repeats a ratio of 7:5:4:3. In these passages, this series of durations provide a smooth connection between the "forest" pattern's recurrences.

Although these rhythmic patterns create complex counterpoints, the only musical purpose is to add colors to the work's drone-based texture. These patterns have local dynamic changes and articulations that don't necessarily relate to the 4/4 metric pulse. In *yet the dew remains in pale*, the rhythmic counterpoints metaphorically reflect my imagined dream state where the objects link but do not synchronize with each other. Therefore, these lines and the patterns serve as colors that come and go in the work's spectral stream.

⁹ A *dharani* contains secret sounds that have no translatable meaning and hold the deep power to attract good spirits and keep away evil spirits. The *Pure Land Rebirth Dharani* is cited to pray for dead people to get rid of bad karma and help them be reborn in the pure land. The numbers here are adapted from the Chinese transcription of "*namo amitābhāya tathāgatāya tadyathā amṛto dbhave*."

HARMONIC FIELDS

In *yet the dew remains in pale*, the harmonic fields consist of chords based on the spectra and the imagined tone colors. These chords and spectra dominate the work's drone-based texture. For example, when the colored C# drone comes in at the beginning, the background chord is based on C#'s harmonic spectrum with chromatic additive tones. The first chord in m.3 gradually transfers into a spectral chord in m.34, where the drone blends C#, D, and the microtones between as a fluid fundamental. Then the drone and spectrum move to D in the first climax in m.52. To emphasize this new spectral field, all the voices play the harmonic series on D. **Example 8** shows the chord progression in the first two sections.


The image displays a musical score for piano, consisting of two systems of staves. The first system includes measures 15 through 25, with specific chord changes indicated at measures 9, 16, and 25. The second system includes measures 34 through 52, with changes indicated at measures 34, 45, and 52. The notation is complex, featuring many accidentals and microtonal symbols (flats with a vertical line) to represent the specific harmonic fields described in the text. The score is written for both treble and bass clefs.

Example 8: The chord progression in *yet the dew remains in pale*, mm.1-52

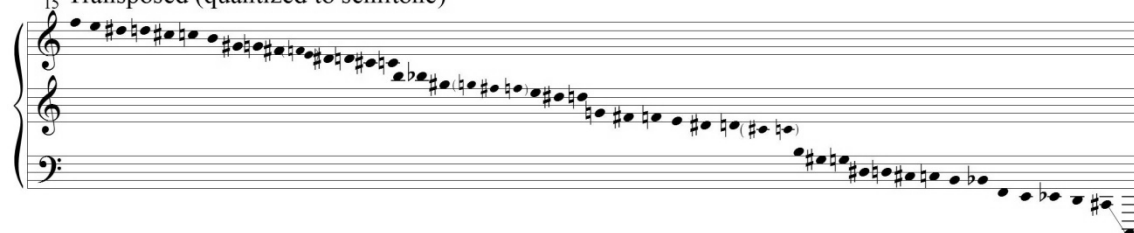
In addition to the harmonic spectrum, another spectral chord in *yet the dew remains in pale* is based on computer analysis of a Buddhist singing bowl's timbre, which symbolically responds to the chanting lines. Most of the microtonal partials are

quantized to semitones to fit the orchestra's tuning. Individual woodwinds sometimes have quarter-tones. Quarter-tones in the strings only occur when serving as tone colors. This singing bowl's spectrum is applied in the second (II, m.34, **Example 8**) and the sixth (IVc, m.146, **Example 9**) sections.

Original (quantized to 1/4 tone)



Transposed (quantized to semitone)



Example 9 The singing bowl's spectrum and the transferred descending scale

Example 9 provides the singing bowl's original spectrum and the revised scale from high to low in the sixth section. In the top system in **Example 9**, the three white notes indicate the primary pitches, and the black notes indicate the partials that blend into the tone color. These primary pitches sound like a detuned octave and a detuned twelfth. Therefore, I combine this spectrum with the natural harmonic spectrum that shares the same fundamental in the composite spectral chord in m.34 (**Example 8**). Here, this singing bowl's spectrum is transposed to D (quantized C 3/4 sharp). The same spectrum is transposed to an octave lower in the sixth section (**Example 9**).

In the sixth section (IVc, mm.146-180), the descending lines unfold the singing bowl's spectrum in semitones with a few "inserted" notes marked in the parentheses in the

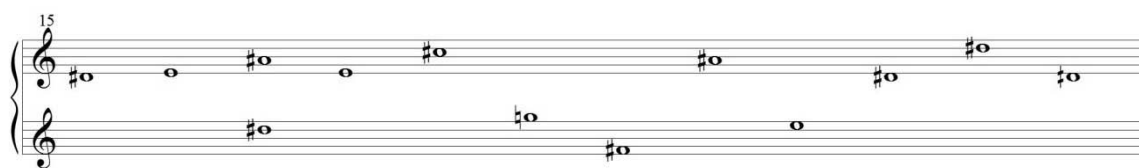
bottom system in **Example 9**. In this passage, no fundamental pitch is particularly emphasized, but the violins' chords that imply a Bb spectrum gently rise in soft dynamics after each peak of the bass drum's crescendo. **Example 10** shows the descending progression of this Bb spectrum.



Example 10: The descending Bb spectrum

The black notes in **Example 10** indicate the *appoggiaturas* of the Bb spectral chords. At the end of this section when all the descending lines reach and stay in the lowest register (mm.169-180), the singing bowl's spectrum becomes obscured. However, the violins' Bb spectrum still shimmers in the high register and reflects a hidden fundamental that is never established throughout the entire section.

The "dreamland" sections (III and IVa, mm.73-127) contain a series of tones that loop constantly as the floating partials of an imagined large spectrum. The background drone D# here is introduced by the eleventh partial of D (G 1/4#) together with a regular G# in the previous section. Shown in **Example 11**, this tone loop consists of twelve tones with only six pitches.



Example 11: The tone loop in the "dreamland" sections

Among these pitches, D# occurs four times, E occurs three times, and A# occurs twice. Each time in a new loop, these pitches reoccur in different octaves when their composite tone colors are also different.

In the fourth section (III-IVa, m.103), this tone loop develops into a series of chords by adding additive tones. Shown in **Example 12**, the white notes present the original tone loop, and the black notes indicate additive tones. The low chord "B-F#-G-C#" marked with a dotted slur occurs twice and function as a prolongation of the previous chords.

The image displays two systems of musical notation for piano. The first system, labeled '15 IVa', consists of two staves (treble and bass) with complex chordal textures. The second system, labeled '15 IVb', also consists of two staves and continues the complex chordal textures. White notes represent the original tone loop, while black notes indicate additive tones. A dotted slur is present under a low chord in the first system, and another dotted slur is present under a low chord in the second system. The notation includes various accidentals and slurs.

Example 12: The colored tone loop in *yet the dew remains in pale*, mm.103-130

The chord progression in **Example 12** has many common tones or common partials such as D#, A#, and C# in different octaves in order to maintain the harmonic fluidity. The third and the fourth chords from the end of the **Example 12** present a colored D# drone that leads into the new E spectrum in the climax IVb.

The harmonic field in this tone loop also shares pitches with the G# minor scale, which temporarily occurs in the melodic fragments but without any functional tonal harmony. The G# first occurs in the vibraphone's part in m.88 and remains in the same octave to emphasize the perfect fifth between G# and D# in the melodic fragments. Nevertheless, the drone in the whole "dreamland" passage is still on D#.

In this "dreamland" passage, since the entire tone loop belongs to the same harmonic field, one might feel the sense of time temporarily lost. Throughout the work, the only sections without a continuous drone in the low register are the "dreamland" sections. The D# drone in these "dreamland" sections appears as the static chords of long duration that consist of unisons, fifths, and octaves. This consonant drone resembles a pedal tone that fades in and out between the looping partials and stretches the harmonic pacing.

In the last section, the harmonic field consists of the drone and the harmonic spectrum on C. The C spectral chord includes more high partials each time when it recurs. At the end, the colored high bell on E (m.181) that derives from the C spectrum serves as the final cadence of the entire piece where the texture only remains the highest and the lowest registers. **Example 13** shows the chord progression in the last section.

The musical score for Example 13 is presented on a grand staff with three systems. The first system begins with a measure number of 15. The notation is complex, featuring many beamed notes and a high density of chords. The key signature has one sharp (F#). The score is marked with a piano (p) dynamic. The notation includes various accidentals and a large number of notes, suggesting a dense harmonic texture.

Example 13: The chord progression in *yet the dew remains in pale*, mm.181-210

The high partials G#, D#, E, A# (Bb) in this C spectral chord recall the melodic fragments in the "dreamland" sections. Finally, only the colored high E and the low C remains after all the tones in medium register fade out. As the final cadence, a descending spectrum colors the high E in the highest register to imitate the bell's fading resonance. This final fading gesture reflects the most important expression implied by the work's title – everything ultimately falls into paleness.

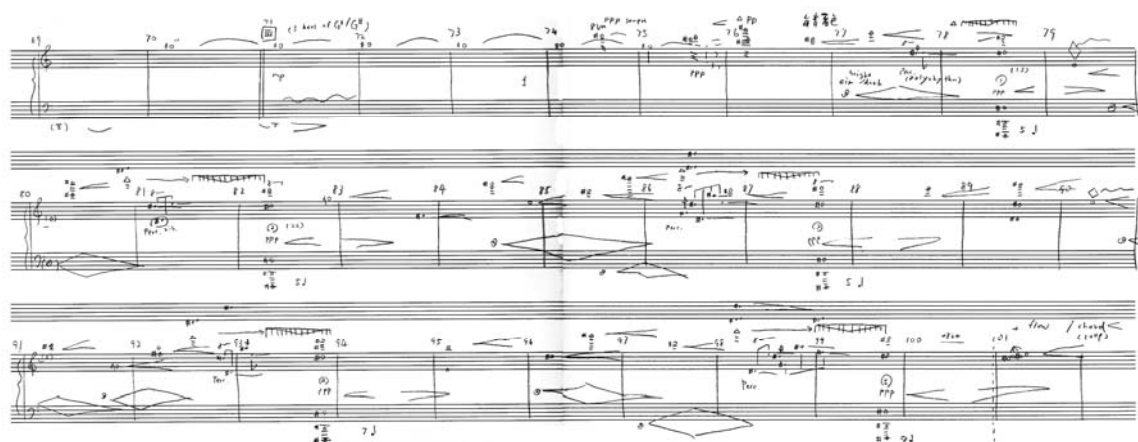
In *yet the dew remains in pale*, all the chord progressions are built upon a consistent bass line that represents the drone. These spectrum-based chord progressions serve as a flow of tone colors. These chords primarily contain the harmonic spectrum of the drone as well as the Buddhist singing bowl's spectrum. Besides serving as written-out tone colors, these spectra, along with the chanting lines, also symbolically represent a mind in prayer.

The Orchestration

MUSICAL TEXTURE

In *yet the dew remains in pale*, the drone-based musical texture primarily consists of a chord spectrum and a fundamental drone. To represent the images and auras in **Table 1**, the drones and the spectra contain several layers of musical objects, such as lines and patterns, that are assigned to different groups of instruments. Because the chords in this work are based on the harmonic spectrum and the singing bowl's spectrum, each chord is a composite tone color. This composite tone color is the sum of the written voices and the instruments' tone colors. To assign different musical objects, the four categories of instruments – woodwinds, brass, percussion, and strings – are roughly classified into high,

components in a short score and then designed the instrumental groups or tone color groups for each voice. As a miniature of the musical texture, a short score contains the structural landmarks and the textural components in a musical passage. For example, in the third and the fourth sections (III and IVa), to represent an aura of timeless memory, I inserted the melodic fragments (from **Example 1**) collected by the glockenspiel, crotale, vibraphone, and wind chimes to the tone loop's progression. These melodic fragments vary like a kaleidoscope each time when they recur. **Example 14** shows the short score of the third section (mm.73-102).



Example 14: The short score of the third section in *yet the dew remains in pale*

The short score in **Example 14** indicates approximate timing and basic dynamics of the textural components in the third section. Here, the textural components include the melodic fragments, the tone loop, the "locust" (the slow-fast-slow patterns), air sounds, and the drone. Because of additional choices I made later in the compositional process, the measure numbers in the final score differ from those in the sketch or short score such as **Example 14**. However, the proportion of all the components remains the same from the short score to the final score.

As the primary textural components, the various musical objects based on the drones and the spectra represent a similar physical or dynamic movement to poetic objects such as haze or light in the work's imagined world. For example, I combined quiet harmonics or harmonic *glissandi* in the strings with the same sounds in the woodwinds and brass to imitate vapors or smoke; I also designed different groups of instruments for the long notes or chords to imitate light beams or rays. In other words, I created all the musical textures based on analogies between musical objects and poetic images. And, because I fit the musical imagery of these poetic images into my harmonic plan based on drones and spectra, I consider the movements of these drone-and-spectrum-based textual components a series of timbral gradations.

TONE COLOR GROUPS

A tone color group contains instruments from different categories (such as woodwinds, brass, and strings) and serves as a composite tone color. In *yet the dew remains in pale*, a composite tone color can be applied to a single note or a chord. As mentioned in previous passages, in the first section, the monotonic tone color melodies on C# that imitate drone singing and symbolize chanting provide the prototype of tone color groups. These monotonic tone color melodies are embellished with octaves above and below. **Table 3** gives an example of these tone color groups and their evolution in the first three phrases (m.5, m.9, and m.18). In the third phrase (m.18), a parallel voice G# joins the tone color melody. The arrows indicate when an instrument only joins the second half of the phrase.

Table 3: The tone color groups' revolution in the first three phrases (middle C = c1)













Octaves\Bar	m.5	m.9	m.18
Octave 4 c#2			Flute 2 → Oboe 1
Octave 3 c#1	Flute 1 Trumpet 1 (muted)	Flute 1 Trumpet 1 (muted) → English horn	Flute 1 Trumpet 1 (muted) Horn → English horn
Octave 2 c#	Bass Clarinet Trombone 1 (muted) Cello 1	Bass Clarinet Trombone 1 (muted) Cello 1 → Trombone 2	Trombone 1 (muted) Cello 1 → Trombone 2
			+G# (P4 below) Bass Clarinet Cello 2 Tuba → Contrabassoon
Octave 1 C#	Contrabassoon. Contrabass	Contrabassoon Contrabass → Bass Clarinet → Tuba → Cello 2	Contrabassoon Contrabass → G#1

My use of a muted trombone at the beginning was inspired by a Buddhist horn that plays powerful, low long notes. For this reason, in the first two sections, the tone color groups' embellishments all center the muted trombone's monotonic lines. As a result of this timbral development, in the first climax (m.52) all the brass instruments play the long chords in a D harmonic spectrum. These chords in the D harmonic spectrum represent an orchestrated, huge trombone while all the rest of the instruments embellish this spectrum with *arpeggios* and various rhythmic patterns. This passage demonstrates that a tone color group can grow to encompass the entire orchestra.

Table 4 presents the tone color groups from the third section's first tone loop (mm.78-89). In this passage, each tone has a composite tone color that uses at least two instruments. The divided string section also produce composite tone colors through combinations of different articulations. For example, in m.83, the violins double the

oboe's C# with *saltandos* and tremolos an octave above; in m.86, the cello plays the harmonics F# and C# above the bassoon's F#. The tone color groups in this section usually consist of various harmonic partials, rhythms, and articulations to create subtle gradations on a single note.

Table 4: The tone color groups in the first tone loop, mm.78-89

m.78	m.79	m.80	m.81
			
Clarinet Vibraphone (<i>arco</i>)	Oboe Flute (harmonics)	Viola (harmonics) Flute	Horn Flute (harmonics)
m.82	m.84	m.85	m.86
			
Violin I (composite) Oboe	Clarinet Violin II (harmonics)	Bassoon Cello (harmonics)	Violin I Crotale (jazz brush)
m.87	m.87	m.88	m.88
			
Trumpet Cello (harmonics)	Oboe Violin II (harmonics)	Violin I (composite)	Flute (harmonics) Violin II (composite)

The concept of timbral gradations can be applied in different structural-hierarchical levels in *yet the dew remains in pale*, from a single note, a phrase, a section, to the whole structure. For example, in the first section (mm.1-33), the muted trombone's line is embellished by the tone color groups and the background chords addition of partials based on the C# harmonic spectrum in each new phrase (see **Table 3** and **Example 8**). Therefore, one can consider these phrases, which are based on the same spectrum, a series of timbral gradations which progress through the section. In the fourth section

(mm.103-126), each chord based on the tone loop overlaps and applies a crescendo to prepare the work's largest climax (mm.128-145) where the entire texture becomes a stream of gradations. Specifically, in this passage, the entire string section progressively changes their bowing positions from *ordinario* to *sul ponticello*, the high partials in the spectrum (**Example 12**) shimmer more and more as the string players begin to progressively apply a large vibrato and then trill, and the low register progressively thins out. Because the work's context musically represents a meditation or transcendental journey through the drone-and-spectrum-based texture, finally, one can consider the work's whole structure a flow of tone colors.

Summary

GENERAL CONCEPT AND METAPHOR

Imagination and metaphor are the two most essential elements in my music. I consider my compositions to be sonic worlds in which I musically realize my dreams, imaginations, and thoughts. I transcend my personal reflections and transfer them into musical expressions to create a sonic world that connects my interior mind and the universe. The musical elements in my music have metaphorical meanings to me. On the other hand, these musical elements must function as the structural components and are given a unique context in each of my composition.

Since 2003, I have sought to refine my inspirations, thoughts, and musical ideas so that they can be applied to my compositions. I believe music has its own expressions. Therefore, my goal has been to create compositions that don't necessarily need extra-musical meanings but have the potential to evoke more interpretations. For me,

refined musical elements are indispensable to perceptible musical expressions and personal compositional voices. This causes me to select and filter my inspirations, ideas, and musical materials for each composition. This filtering process makes me reconsider what the materials and ideas mean to the work and to me before I transfer them into various musical elements such as sounds, lines, figures, patterns, chords, and textures. Each of my compositions presents a unique sonic world created with these refined musical elements.

I classify the ideas that I transfer into my compositions primarily into three categories: the ideas from shapes, the ideas from auras, and the ideas from sounds themselves. The ideas from shapes include everything perceptible and concrete such as graphs, contours, colors, forms, texture, and motions. The ideas from auras consist of environmental (objective) and mental (subjective) states which are more sublime and abstract than the ideas from shapes. I give the musical objects metaphorical meanings to represent these shapes and auras, as well as my imagination, through an analogy. For example, in *yet the dew remains in pale*, I use the strings' free harmonic *glissandi* together with the written harmonic partials (mm.13-15) to represent a state similar to a fog or a vapor suspended in the air. To represent the "musical dreamland" (mm.73-128) that reflects my memories, I imagined each tone in the tone loop as a light beam and assigned different instrumental groups with various composite tone colors. These analogies between musical objects and non-musical objects are essential for my compositional thoughts. In addition to the analogies, my inspirations and musical ideas might also come from sounds themselves. In my opinion, transferring the ideas from sounds themselves is to transfer the sound objects into musical objects in a compositional

context. When choosing and dealing with these sound objects, I am always aware of their musical potentials as well as what they symbolically and contextually mean. For example, the brass section's chords in D harmonic spectrum (mm.52-61) imitate the sound of a Buddhist horn; the violins' polyrhythmic patterns (mm.40-42) resemble the sound of locusts. These chords and rhythmic patterns combine in one spectrum and serve as the textual components in the second section in *yet the dew remains in pale*.

I apply these ideas transferred from shapes, auras, and sounds into a composition so that the composition can express by itself. In general, my compositions may reflect these ideas in different levels of metaphor from the local materials, through many hierarchical levels of structure, and to the inner spirit. **Figure 2** represents my concept how these ideas link to a composition.

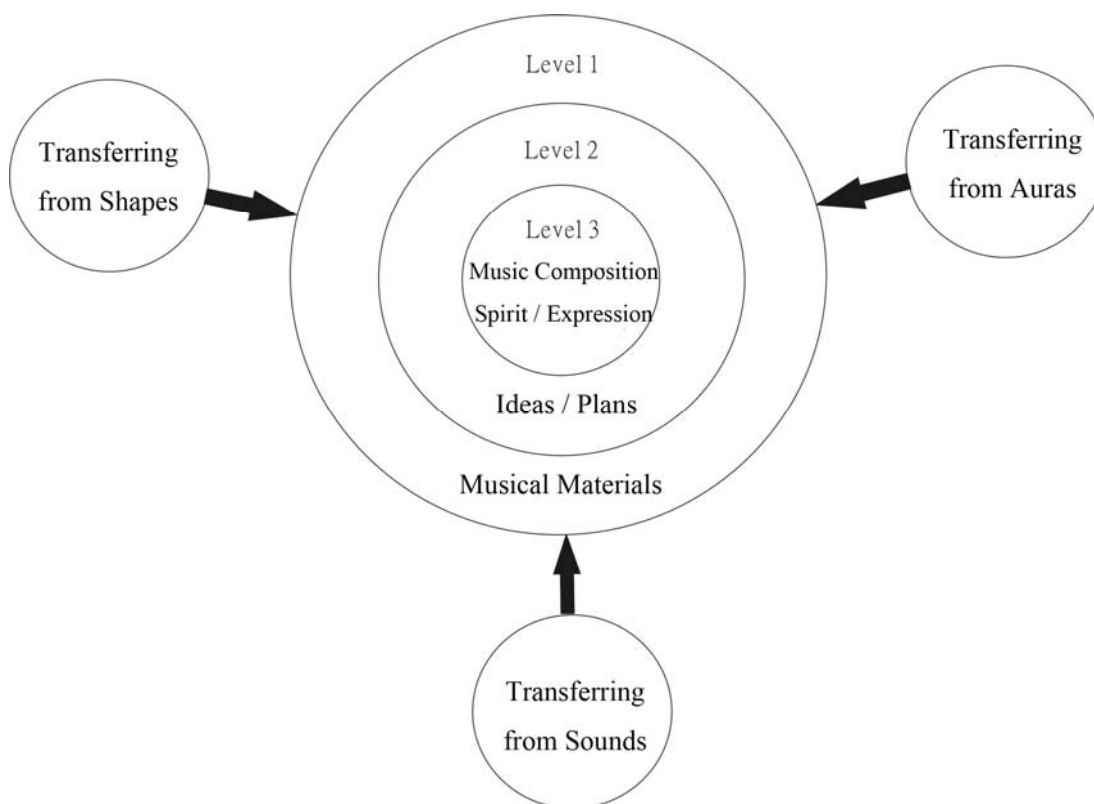


Figure 2: The relation between my composition and the metaphorical ideas

Whatever the resources and materials are, for me, a composition is like an organism. All of the musical objects and structures should link to the composer's mind and spirit because a composition reflects personal expressions that directly comes from the composer's life experiences and thoughts. This transferring process explains how I understand myself and how I technically realize my ideas in music. When making compositional decisions, I'm involved in my works as a human, as such, my compositions reflect my life and my mind. Realizing the importance of this personal reflection was a milestone in how I sought to find my own compositional voice. **Figure 3** demonstrates graphically how my life (physical, sensual, and mental) experiences, the metaphorical ideas, and my thoughts relate to my compositions.

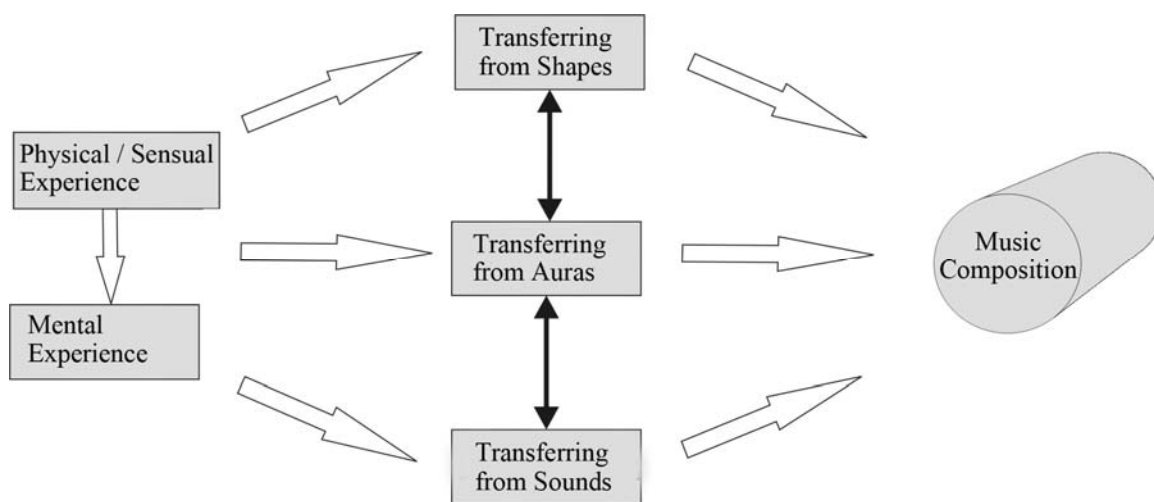


Figure 3: The relation between my life experiences, my thoughts, and my compositions

CONCLUSION

During recent years, I have dedicated myself to a compositional path that involves subtle tone colors and gradations in a poetic sonic world. *yet the dew remains in pale* represents my first orchestral realization of this sonic world with a sophisticated design of

tone colors. While composing *yet the dew remains in pale*, I was inspired by the poem *Jian Jia* that primarily expresses a longing for an intangible love. Therefore, I created a musical dreamland in a mirror-like form to express my own mind: longing, praying, remembering, crying, and lamenting. These expressions are behind all the technical realizations. In addition to these expressions, my various life experiences also stay in my mind while making compositional decisions. These experiences include dreaming during sleep, gazing at the movements of mountain haze, getting lost, participating in a religious funeral, gazing at lights and reflections on the ocean, and watching sunset. I selected and transferred the ideas from these various inspirations into rough sketches of orchestration, musical textures, patterns, sounds, and movements. Then, I created a structural context for these sketches in the mirror-like form which represents my musical meditation or transcendental journey. This transcendental journey goes through a process of intoning, transcending, reaching another land, falling, and returning.

The sonic world of *yet the dew remains in pale* consists of various musical elements in a drone-based texture. These elements include the chanting lines, the rhythmic patterns, and the melodic fragments. To highlight the subtle differentiations in timbre, all the lines and patterns join the spectrum-based harmonic fields. Based on the drones and the spectral chords, the various composite tone colors and their timbral gradations serve as the work's most important musical-contextual components. Eventually, *yet the dew remains in pale* musically represents my spiritual journey to a dreamland through a flow of tone colors.

Music Score: *yet the dew remains in pale*, for orchestra (2011-12)

yet the dew remains in pale

for orchestra

(2012)

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INSTRUMENTATION:

2 Flutes (II doubling Piccolo)
 2 Oboes (II doubling English Horn)
 2 Clarinets in Bb (II doubling Bass Clarinet in Bb)
 2 Bassoons (II doubling Contrabassoon)

2 Horns (mute)
 2 Trumpets in C (straight mute, plunger)
 2 Trombones (straight mute, plunger)
 1 Tuba (straight mute)

3 Percussion

I: Tubular Bells, 1 Glockenspiel, Crotales (Antique Cymbals), 1 Triangle, 2 Gongs (G# shared with II, c#1)

II: 2 Gongs (G#, d), 1 Bass Drum, 1 Tibetan Tingsha (e4), 1 Vibraphone

III: 2 Tam Tams (large, medium), 3 Suspended Cymbals, Wind Chimes

* (middle C = c1)

Strings

Violins I (divided in 4 parts)
 Violins II (divided in 4 parts)
 Violas (divided in 2 parts)
 Cello (divided in 2 parts)
 Contrabass (divided in 2 parts, C extension is required)

* The score is written as it sounds, except for the piccolo, contrabassoon, crotales, glockenspiel, and contrabasses.

ABBREVIATIONS:

Woodwinds and Brass

air air sound (breath into the instrument)
h.t. hollow tones (on Flutes), pitched air sound
norm. normal
t.tr. timbral trill (*bisbigliando*, or *bish*), same pitch (might include some microtones) in different fingerings
flutt. flutter tongue
con sord. con sordino, muted

Percussion


Lr. let vibrate
arco to bow
ad lib. ad libitum (with freedom)
 T.B. Tubular Bells
 Glk. Glockenspiel
 Crt. Crotales
 Tri. Triangle
 B.D. Bass Drum
 TbT. Tibetan Tingsha
 Vbr. Vibraphone
 S. Cymb. Suspended Cymbals
 W.C. Wind Chimes

Strings

s.p. sul ponticello
s.t. sul tasto
ord. ordinary (bow) position
vib. vibrato

<i>n.v</i>	non vibrato
<i>m.v</i>	molto vibrato
<i>pizz</i>	pizzicato
<i>arco</i>	to bow
<i>legno</i>	with (bow) stick
<i>salt</i>	saltando
<i>batt</i>	battuto

SYMBOLS:

	1/4 sharp		1/4 flat
	3/4 sharp		3/4 flat
	slightly higher, approximately 1/8 sharp (only applied at the end of a harmonic glissando)		
	harmonic glissando (on Strings)		
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	close embouchure (for Flute)		
	open embouchure (for Flute)		
	teeth on reed (for Clarinet)		
	open instrument (without mute for Trombone) or open string		
	half muted (for Trombone)		
	muted (for Brass)		
	grain (for Strings, over bow pressure)		
	bass drum or tam-tam beater		
	soft glockenspiel beater		
	hard glockenspiel beater or hard vibraphone mallet		
	medium vibraphone mallet		
	soft vibraphone mallet		
	rub with Superball		
	tubular bell beater		
	tailpiece of a mallet/glockenspiel beater		
	single piece of wind chime or triangle beater (for Wind Chime)		
	metal brush		
	snare drum sticks or skinny metal sticks		
	hit the two pieces of Tingsha together		

Score in C

yet the dew remains in pale
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♩ = 52 - 56

Flute 1

Flute 2

Oboe 1

English Horn

Clarinet 1

Bass Clarinet

Bassoon 1

Contrabassoon

Horn 1

Horn 2

Trumpet 1

Trumpet 2

Trombone 1

Trombone 2

Tuba

Percussion 1

Percussion 2

Violin I

Violin II

Viola

Violoncello

Contrabass

This page of a musical score, likely for a symphony, contains staves for various instruments. The staves are arranged in four systems. The first system includes Flute 1 and 2, Oboe 1, Eb, Clarinet 1, Bass Clarinet, Bassoon 1, and Contrabassoon. The second system includes Horn 1 and 2, Trumpet 1 and 2, Trombone 1 and 2, and Tuba. The third system includes Percussion 2 and 3. The fourth system includes Violin I and II, Viola, Violoncello, and Contrabass. The score features various musical notations, including notes, rests, and dynamic markings such as 'pp' (pianissimo) and 'f' (forte). There are also markings for 'A' and 'B' sections, and some staves have 'end' or 'pp' markings. The notation is complex, with many notes and rests, and some staves have 'pp' markings. The page is numbered 35 in the top right corner.

The image shows a page of a musical score, likely for a symphony, featuring staves for various instruments. The score is divided into two systems, A and B, with a rehearsal mark 11 at the beginning of system A. The instruments listed on the left include Fl. 1, Fl. 2, Ob. 1, Bb., Cl. 1, B. Cl., Bsn. 1, C. Bsn., Hrn. 1, Hrn. 2, Trp. 1, Trp. 2, Tbn. 1, Tbn. 2, Tuba, Perc. 1, Perc. 2, Perc. 3, Vln. I, Vln. II, Vla., Vcl., and Ch. The score includes dynamic markings such as *p*, *pp*, *f*, and *mf*, and articulation marks like accents and slurs. The page is numbered 11 at the top left.

Fl. 1
Fl. 2
Ob. 1
Bb.
Cl. 1
B. Cl.
Bm. 1
C. Bm.
Hn. 1
Hn. 2
Tnp. 1
Tnp. 2
Tbn. 1
Tbn. 2
Tuba
Perc. 2
3
Vln. I
Vln. II
Via.
Vc.
Cb.

This image shows a page from a musical score, likely for a symphony. The score is written for a large ensemble of instruments, including woodwinds, brass, and strings. The instruments listed on the left side of the page are: Fl. 1, Fl. 2, Ob. 1, Eb, Cl. 1, B. Cl., Im. 1, C. Bsn., Hrn. 1, Hrn. 2, Trp. 1, Trp. 2, Tbn. 1, Tbn. 2, Tuba, Perc. 1, Perc. 2, Perc. 3, Vln. I, Vln. II, Vla., Vcl., and Cb. The score is written in a standard musical notation with various dynamic markings (p, f, mf, etc.) and articulation marks (acc, etc.). The page is numbered 1 in the top left corner.

This image shows a page from a musical score, likely for a symphony. The score is written for a large ensemble of instruments, including woodwinds, brass, percussion, and strings. The instruments listed on the left are: Fl. 1, Pic., Ob. 1, Eb, Cl. 1, B. Cl., Bsn., Hrn. 1, Hrn. 2, Trp. 1, Trp. 2, Tbn. 1, Tbn. 2, Tuba, Perc. 1, Perc. 2, Perc. 3, Vln. I, Vln. II, Vla., Vcl., and Cb. The score is written in a standard musical notation with staves, notes, rests, and various markings. Dynamic markings such as *f*, *p*, *mp*, and *mf* are used throughout. There are also articulation marks like accents and slurs. A rehearsal mark 'D' is visible at the top right of the page. The score is divided into measures by vertical bar lines, and there are some annotations like 'Perc. 1 starts to drum (ongoing with Perc. 2)' and 'Perc. 1 starts to drum (ongoing with Perc. 2)'.

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This image shows a page from a musical score, likely for a symphony or concert band. The score is written for a large ensemble, with staves for various instruments including Flute 1, Piccolo, Oboe 1, Euphonium, Clarinet 1, Bass Clarinet, Bassoon 1, Bassoon 2, Horn 1, Horn 2, Trumpet 1, Trumpet 2, Trombone 1, Trombone 2, Tuba, Percussion 1, Percussion 2, Percussion 3, Violin I, Violin II, Viola, Cello, and Double Bass. The music is written in a standard musical notation with notes, rests, and dynamic markings such as 'f' (forte) and 'p' (piano). The score is organized into measures, with a large 'E' marking a section. The page is numbered '1' in the top left corner.

This image shows a page from a musical score, likely for a symphony. The score is written for a large ensemble of instruments, including woodwinds, brass, percussion, and strings. The instruments listed on the left side of the page are: Fl. 1, Pic., Ob. 1, Eb., Cl. 1, B. Cl., Bsn. 1, Bsn. 2, Hrn. 1, Hrn. 2, Trp. 1, Trp. 2, Tbn. 1, Tbn. 2, Tuba, Perc. 1, Perc. 2, Perc. 3, Vln. I, Vln. II, Vla., Vcl., and Cb. The score is written in a standard musical notation with various dynamic markings such as *f*, *mf*, *sf*, and *ff*. A rehearsal mark **F** is visible at the top right of the page. The page number 36-60 is also present at the top right. The score is divided into measures by vertical bar lines, and the instruments are grouped by horizontal staves.

This page of a musical score, numbered 43, contains staves for the following instruments:

- Flutes:** Fl. 1, Piccolo (Pic.)
- Oboes:** Ob. 1, English Horn (E.H.)
- Clarinets:** Cl. 1, B. Cl. (Bass Clarinet)
- Bassoons:** Bsn. 1, Bsn. 2
- Horns:** Hn. 1, Hn. 2
- Trumpets:** Trp. 1, Trp. 2
- Trombones:** Tbn. 1, Tbn. 2, Tuba
- Percussion:** Perc. 1, Perc. 2, Perc. 3
- Strings:** Violins I (Vln. I), Violins II (Vln. II), Violas (Via.), Cellos (Vc.), Double Basses (Cb.)

The score is written in a standard musical notation with various dynamics (e.g., *f*, *ff*, *mp*, *p*) and articulation marks. The page is divided into measures by vertical bar lines, with some measures containing repeat signs or other performance instructions.

This image shows a page from a musical score, likely for a symphony. The score is written for a large ensemble of instruments, including Flutes (Fl.), Piccolo (Pic.), Oboes (Ob.), Clarinets (Cl.), Bassoons (B.), Horns (Hn.), Trumpets (Tpt.), Trombones (Tbn.), Tuba (Tuba), Percussion (Perc.), Violins I (Vln. I), Violins II (Vln. II), Viola (Vla.), Violoncello (Vcl.), and Double Bass (Cb.). The score is divided into measures, with various musical notations such as notes, rests, and dynamic markings (e.g., f, mf, mp) indicating the volume and intensity of the music. A section of the score is marked with a large 'G' in a box, suggesting a specific section or movement. The page is numbered '11' in the top left corner.

Fl. 1
Pic.
Ob. 1
Eh.
Cl. 1
B. Cl.
Bsn. 1
Bsn. 2

Hn. 1
Hn. 2
Trp. 1
Trp. 2
Tbn. 1
Tbn. 2
Tuba

Perc. 2
3

Vln. I
Vln. II
Via.
Vc.
Cb.

This image shows a page from a musical score, likely for a symphony. The score is written for a large ensemble of instruments, including woodwinds, brass, strings, and percussion. The instruments listed on the left side of the page are: Fl. 1, Pic., Ob. 1, E♭, Cl. 1, B. Cl., Bsn. 1, Bsn. 2, Hrn. 1, Hrn. 2, Trp. 1, Trp. 2, Tbn. 1, Tbn. 2, Tuba, Perc. 1, Perc. 2, Perc. 3, Vln. I, Vln. II, Vla., Vcl., and Cb. The score is divided into measures by vertical bar lines. Dynamic markings such as *f* (forte), *mf* (mezzo-forte), *p* (piano), and *pp* (pianissimo) are used throughout. Articulation marks, including accents and slurs, are also present. The page is numbered 11 in the top right corner. The score is written in a standard musical notation with a key signature of one flat (B♭) and a time signature of 4/4.

Fl. 1
 Fl. 2
 Ob. 1
 Eb.
 Cl. 1
 B. Cl.
 Bsn. 1
 C. Bsn.
 Hrn. 1
 Hrn. 2
 Trp. 1
 Trp. 2
 Tbn. 1
 Tbn. 2
 Tuba
 Perc. 1
 Perc. 2
 Perc. 3
 Vln. I
 Vln. II
 Vla.
 Vc.
 Cb.

This image shows a page from a musical score, likely for a symphony. The page is filled with musical staves for various instruments. The instruments listed on the left side of the page are:

- Fl. 1
- Fl. 2
- Ob. 1
- Eh.
- Cl. 1
- B. Cl.
- Bsn. 1
- C. Bsn.
- Hrn. 1
- Hrn. 2
- Trp. 1
- Trp. 2
- Tbn. 1
- Tbn. 2
- Tuba
- Perc. 1
- Perc. 2
- Perc. 3
- Vln. I
- Vln. II
- Vla.
- Vcl.
- Db.

The score includes various musical notations, including notes, rests, and dynamic markings such as *ppp*, *p*, *f*, and *mf*. There are also articulation marks like accents and slurs. The page is numbered 11 at the top left.

This page of a musical score, numbered 49, contains staves for various instruments. The woodwind section includes Flutes 1 and 2, Oboe 1, English Horn, Clarinet 1, Bass Clarinet, Bassoon 1, and Contrabassoon. The brass section includes Percussion, Horns 1 and 2, Trumpets 1 and 2, Trombones 1 and 2, and Tuba. The string section includes Violins I and II, Viola, Violoncello, and Contrabass. The score features complex musical notation with numerous dynamic markings such as *ppp*, *p*, *f*, *sf*, and *pp*, as well as articulation marks and slurs. The woodwinds and strings are heavily active, with many notes and rests, while the brass section has more sparse, punctuated entries.

This page of a musical score, numbered 50, contains staves for various instruments. The woodwind section includes Flutes 1 and 2, Oboe 1, Bassoon 1, Bassoon 2, Clarinet 1, Bass Clarinet, and Contrabassoon. The brass section includes Horns 1 and 2, Trumpets 1 and 2, Trombones 1 and 2, and Tuba. The string section includes Violins I and II, Viola, Violoncello, and Contrabass. The percussion section includes three staves for Percussion 1, 2, and 3. The score features complex musical notation with many notes, rests, and dynamic markings such as *pp*, *p*, *f*, *sf*, and *pp*. There are also markings for *sfz* and *sfz* in some staves. The page is divided into three systems, each starting with a rehearsal mark (12, 13, 14).

This image shows a page from a musical score, likely for a symphony orchestra. The score is written for multiple instruments, including Flutes 1 and 2, Oboes 1 and 2, Clarinets 1 and 2, Bass Clarinet, Bassoons 1 and 2, Horns 1 and 2, Trumpets 1 and 2, Trombones 1 and 2, Tuba, Percussion 1, 2, and 3, Violins I and II, Viola, Violoncello, and Contrabass. The notation includes various musical symbols such as notes, rests, dynamics (pp, p, mp, f), and articulation marks. The page is numbered 1 in the top right corner.

This image shows a page from a musical score, likely for a symphony. The score is written for a large ensemble of instruments, including woodwinds, brass, strings, and percussion. The instruments listed on the left side of the page are:

- Fl. 1
- Pic.
- Ob. 1
- E♭
- Cl. 1
- B. Cl.
- Bsn. 1
- C. Bsn.
- Hrn. 1
- Hrn. 2
- Trp. 1
- Trp. 2
- Tbn. 1
- Tbn. 2
- Tuba
- Perc. 1
- Perc. 2
- Perc. 3
- Vln. I
- Vln. II
- Vla.
- Vcl.
- Db.

The score is written in a standard musical notation with various dynamic markings such as *p* (piano), *mf* (mezzo-forte), *f* (forte), and *pp* (pianissimo). There are also crescendo and decrescendo hairpins. The music is in a 4/4 time signature, and the key signature has one flat (B-flat). The score is divided into measures by vertical bar lines, and there are repeat signs and first/second endings indicated.

This image shows a page from a musical score, likely for a symphony. The page contains staves for various instruments, including Flute 1, Piccolo, Oboe 1, English Horn, Clarinet 1, Bass Clarinet, Bassoon 1, Contrabassoon, Horn 1, Horn 2, Trumpet 1, Trumpet 2, Trombone 1, Trombone 2, Tuba, Percussion 1, Percussion 2, Violin I, Violin II, Viola, Violoncello, and Double Bass. The score includes dynamic markings such as *p*, *f*, *mf*, and *sf*, and articulation marks like accents and slurs. The page is numbered 112 at the top left.

This page of a musical score, numbered 54, contains the following staves and musical details:

- Fl. 1:** Features a melodic line with dynamics *p*, *mf*, *f*, and *ff*.
- Pic:** Piccolo part with dynamics *mp* and *f*.
- Ob. 1:** Oboe part with dynamics *mp*, *f*, and *ff*.
- Bb:** Bassoon part with dynamics *p*, *f*, and *ff*.
- Cl. 1:** Clarinet part with dynamics *p*, *f*, and *ff*.
- B. Cl.:** Bass Clarinet part with dynamics *p*, *f*, and *ff*.
- Bb. 1:** Bass part with dynamics *p*, *f*, and *ff*.
- C. Bb.:** Contrabass part with dynamics *p*, *f*, and *ff*.
- Hr. 1:** Horn part with dynamics *p*, *f*, and *ff*.
- Hr. 2:** Horn part with dynamics *p*, *f*, and *ff*.
- Trp. 1:** Trumpet part with dynamics *p*, *f*, and *ff*.
- Trp. 2:** Trumpet part with dynamics *p*, *f*, and *ff*.
- Tbn. 1:** Trombone part with dynamics *p*, *f*, and *ff*.
- Tbn. 2:** Trombone part with dynamics *p*, *f*, and *ff*.
- Tuba:** Tuba part with dynamics *p*, *f*, and *ff*.
- Perc. 2:** Percussion part with dynamics *mp* and *f*.
- 3:** Percussion part with dynamics *mp* and *f*.
- Vln. I:** Violin I part with dynamics *p*, *f*, and *ff*.
- Vln. II:** Violin II part with dynamics *p*, *f*, and *ff*.
- Vla:** Viola part with dynamics *p*, *f*, and *ff*.
- Vc:** Violoncello part with dynamics *p*, *f*, and *ff*.
- Ch:** Double Bass part with dynamics *p*, *f*, and *ff*.

The score includes various musical notations such as notes, rests, dynamics (*p*, *f*, *mp*, *mf*, *ff*), and articulation marks.

This image shows a page from a musical score, likely for a symphony. The page contains staves for various instruments, including Flute 1, Piccolo, Oboe 1, English Horn, Clarinet 1, Bass Clarinet, Bassoon 1, Contrabassoon, Horn 1, Horn 2, Trumpet 1, Trumpet 2, Trombone 1, Trombone 2, Tuba, Percussion 1, Percussion 2, Violin I, Violin II, Viola, Violoncello, and Double Bass. The score includes dynamic markings such as *f*, *mf*, and *sf*, and a tempo marking of *J = 56-60*. The page is numbered 100 at the top left and 101 at the top right. The score is written in a standard musical notation with various clefs, key signatures, and time signatures.

This image shows a page from a musical score, likely for a symphony or concert band. The score is written for a large ensemble, with staves for various instruments including Flute 1, Piccolo, Oboe 1, Oboe 2, Clarinet 1, Bass Clarinet, Bassoon 1, Bassoon 2, Horn 1, Horn 2, Trumpet 1, Trumpet 2, Trombone 1, Trombone 2, Tuba, Percussion 2, Percussion 3, Violin I, Violin II, Viola, Violoncello, and Contrabass. The notation includes notes, rests, dynamics (f, mf, ff), and articulation marks. The page is numbered 11 at the bottom right.

Fl. 1
Pic.
Ob. 1
Ob. 2
Cl. 1
B. Cl.
Bsn. 1
C. Bsn.
Hn. 1
Hn. 2
Trp. 1
Trp. 2
Tbn. 1
Tbn. 2
Tuba
Perc. 1
Perc. 2
Perc. 3
Vln. I
Vln. II
Vla.
Vcl.
Cb.

This image shows a page from a musical score, likely for a symphony or concert band. The score is written for a large ensemble, with staves for various instruments including Flute 1, Piccolo, Oboe 1 and 2, Clarinet 1, Bass Clarinet, Bassoon 1 and 2, Horn 1 and 2, Trumpet 1 and 2, Trombone 1 and 2, Tuba, Percussion 1, 2, and 3, Violin I and II, Viola, Violoncello, and Contrabass. The notation includes notes, rests, and dynamic markings such as 'ff' (fortissimo) and 'f' (forte). The score is arranged in a standard orchestral format, with the woodwinds and brass in the upper half and the strings in the lower half. The page is numbered '1' in the bottom left corner.

This image shows a page from a musical score, likely for a symphony or concert band. The score is written for a large ensemble, with staves for various instruments including Flute 1, Piccolo, Oboe 1, Oboe 2, Clarinet 1, Bass Clarinet, Bassoon 1, Bassoon 2, Horn 1, Horn 2, Trumpet 1, Trumpet 2, Trombone 1, Trombone 2, Tuba, Percussion 1, Percussion 2, Violin 1, Violin 2, Viola, Violoncello, and Double Bass. The notation is complex, featuring many notes, rests, and dynamic markings such as 'ff' (fortissimo) and 'f' (forte). The score is arranged in a standard orchestral format, with the woodwinds and brass in the upper half and the strings in the lower half. The page is numbered '123' in the top left corner.

This page of a musical score, numbered 60, contains staves for various instruments. The woodwind section includes Flute 1 (Fl. 1), Piccolo (Pic.), Oboe 1 (Ob. 1), Oboe 2 (Ob. 2), Clarinet 1 (Cl. 1), Clarinet 2 (Cl. 2), Bassoon 1 (Bsn. 1), and Contrabassoon (C. Bsn.). The brass section includes Horn 1 (Hn. 1), Horn 2 (Hn. 2), Trumpet 1 (Tpt. 1), Trumpet 2 (Tpt. 2), Trombone 1 (Tbn. 1), Trombone 2 (Tbn. 2), and Tuba. The percussion section includes three staves for Percussion (Perc. 1, 2, 3). The string section includes Violin 1 (Vln. I), Violin 2 (Vln. II), Viola (Vla.), Violoncello (Vc.), and Double Bass (Cb.). The score is written in a standard musical notation with various dynamics (e.g., *mf*, *f*, *pp*, *sf*) and articulation marks. Rehearsal marks are indicated by a 'K' in a box at the beginning of the Flute 1 staff and at the start of the Percussion and Violin sections. The page is densely packed with musical notation, including notes, rests, and dynamic markings.

This page of a musical score, numbered 61, contains staves for various instruments. The woodwind section includes Flutes 1 and 2, Piccolo, Oboes 1 and 2, Clarinets 1 and 2, Bassoon 1, and Contrabassoon. The brass section includes Horns 1 and 2, Trumpets 1 and 2, Trombones 1 and 2, and Tuba. The percussion section includes three staves for different percussion instruments. The string section includes Violins I and II, Viola, Violoncello, and Double Bass. The score is written in a complex, rhythmic style with many notes and rests. Dynamic markings such as *ff*, *f*, *mf*, *mp*, *pp*, and *sfz* are used throughout. There are also markings for *arco* and *pizz.* (pizzicato). The page is divided into measures by vertical bar lines, and there are repeat signs and other musical notations.

This page of a musical score, numbered 62, contains staves for various instruments. The woodwind section includes Flutes 1 and 2, Piccolo, Oboes 1 and 2, Clarinets 1 and 2, Bassoon 1, and Contrabassoon. The brass section includes Horns 1 and 2, Trumpets 1 and 2, Trombones 1 and 2, Tuba, and Euphonium. The percussion section includes three staves for Percussion 2 and three staves for Percussion 3. The string section includes Violins I and II, Viola, Violoncello, and Double Bass. The score is written in a complex, multi-measure format with various dynamics and articulations. The page is divided into three systems, each containing multiple staves for the respective instrument groups. The notation includes a variety of note values, rests, and dynamic markings such as *ff*, *f*, *mf*, *mp*, *p*, and *pp*. The overall layout is dense and detailed, typical of a professional orchestral score.

This image shows a page of a musical score, likely for a symphony, featuring various instruments. The staves are arranged in a system, with each staff representing a different instrument or section. The instruments listed on the left include Fl. 1, Pic., Ob. 1, Ob. 2, Cl. 1, Cl. 2, Bsn. 1, C. Bsn., Hrn. 1, Hrn. 2, Trp. 1, Trp. 2, Tbn. 1, Tbn. 2, Tuba, Perc. 1, Perc. 2, Perc. 3, Vln. I, Vln. II, Vla., Vcl., and Cb.

The score includes various musical notations, such as notes, rests, and dynamic markings (e.g., *ff*, *f*, *mf*, *mp*, *p*, *pp*). There are also performance instructions in Italian, such as "In English Horn" and "In Bass Clarinet". The page is numbered "1" in the top left corner.

Fl. 1
 Pic.
 Ob. 1
 Eb.
 Cl. 1
 B. Cl.
 Bm. 1
 B. Bm.
 Hn. 1
 Hn. 2
 Trp. 1
 Trp. 2
 Tbn. 1
 Tbn. 2
 Tuba
 Perc. 1
 Perc. 2
 Vln. I
 Vln. II
 Vla.
 Vc.
 Cb.

peco a poco rit. ... M $\text{♩} = 52$

Fl. 1
Pic.
Ob. 1
Eh.
Cl. 1
B. Cl.
Bsn. 1
C. Bsn.
Hn. 1
Hn. 2
Ttp. 1
Ttp. 2
Tbn. 1
Tbn. 2
Tuba
Perc. 1
Perc. 2
Perc. 3
Vln. I
Vln. II
Vla.
Vc.
Cb.

[illegible]

Fl. 1
 Pic.
 Ob. 1
 Eb.
 Cl. 1
 B. Cl.
 Bsn. 1
 C. Bsn.
 Hn. 1
 Hn. 2
 Trp. 1
 Trp. 2
 Tbn. 1
 Tbn. 2
 Tuba
 1
 Perc. 2
 3
 Vln. I
 Vln. II
 Vla.
 Vcl.
 Ch.

poco a poco rit. ...

This image shows a page from a musical score, likely for a symphony. The page contains staves for various instruments, including Flutes (Fl. 1, Fl. 2), Piccolo (Pic.), Oboes (Ob. 1, Ob. 2), Euphonium (Eh.), Clarinets (Cl. 1, Cl. 2), Bass Clarinet (B. Cl.), Bassoon (Bsn. 1, C. Bsn.), Contrabass (C. Bsn.), Horns (Hrn. 1, Hrn. 2), Trumpets (Tpt. 1, Tpt. 2), Trombones (Tbn. 1, Tbn. 2, Tuba), Percussion (Perc.), Violins I and II (Vln. I, Vln. II), Viola (Vla.), Violoncello (Vc.), and Double Bass (Cb.). The score includes dynamic markings such as *ppp*, *p*, *f*, and *sf*, as well as articulation and phrasing slurs. A rehearsal mark 'N' is present at the top left. The page is numbered '1' in the bottom right corner.

111

Fl. 1

Pic.

Ob. 1

E♭

Cl. 1

B. Cl.

Bsn. 1

Bsn. 2

Hrn. 1

Hrn. 2

Trp. 1

Trp. 2

Tbn. 1

Tbn. 2

Tuba

1

2

3

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vcl.

Cb.

This page of a musical score is divided into three systems, each marked with a circled number (11, 12, and 13). The instruments are listed on the left side of each system.

System 11: Includes Fl. 1, Pic., Ob. 1, Eb., Cl. 1, B. Cl., Bsn. 1, Bsn. 2, Hrn. 1, Hrn. 2, Trp. 1, Trp. 2, Tib. 1, Tib. 2, Tuba, Perc. 1, Perc. 2, and Perc. 3. The music features various dynamic markings such as *pp*, *p*, *mp*, and *f*, along with articulation marks like accents and slurs.

System 12: Includes Vln. I, Vln. II, Vla., Vc., and Db. The string section continues with complex rhythmic patterns and dynamic markings.

System 13: Continues the string section (Vln. I, Vln. II, Vla., Vc., Db.) and includes further musical notation and dynamics.

This image shows a page from a musical score, likely for a symphony. The page is filled with musical staves for various instruments. The instruments listed on the left include Fl. 1, Fl. 2, Ob. 1, Ob. 2, Cl. 1, Cl. 2, Bsn. 1, Bsn. 2, Hrn. 1, Hrn. 2, Trp. 1, Trp. 2, Tib. 1, Tib. 2, Tuba, Perc. 1, Perc. 2, Perc. 3, Vln. I, Vln. II, Vla., Vcl., and Cb. The score is written in a standard musical notation with various dynamic markings (p, mp, f, pp) and articulation marks (accents, slurs). The page is numbered 111 in the top left corner.

This page of a musical score is for a symphony orchestra. It contains staves for the following instruments:

- Fl. 1
- Pic.
- Ob. 1
- Eh.
- Cl. 1
- B. Cl.
- Bsn. 1
- Bsn. 2
- Hn. 1
- Hn. 2
- Trp. 1
- Trp. 2
- Tbn. 1
- Tbn. 2
- Tuba
- Perc. 1
- Perc. 2
- Perc. 3
- Vln. I
- Vln. II
- Vla.
- Vcl.
- Db.

The score includes various musical notations such as notes, rests, dynamics (p, pp, f, etc.), and performance instructions. A large 'O' symbol is present in the center of the page, likely indicating a rehearsal mark. The page number 72 is located in the top right corner.

Fl. 1

Pic.

Ob. 1

E♭.

Cl. 1

B. Cl.

Bsn. 1

Bsn. 2

Hrn. 1

Hrn. 2

Trp. 1

Trp. 2

Tib. 1

Tib. 2

Tuba

Perc. 2

1

2

3

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

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à La Jolla

APPENDIX

Music Score: *As a Dying Haze*, for solo alto flute (2011)

Score in Transposition

As a Dying Haze
for Solo Alto Flute
(2011)

Chen-Hui Jen

Tempo Rubato (each empty bar within dotted barlines is strictly 1 second)

Alto Flute

The musical score for Alto Flute consists of 16 staves. The notation includes various dynamics such as ppp, pp, mp, mf, f, and ff, along with crescendos and decrescendos. Performance instructions include breath marks (air), articulation (ord., h.t.), and vibrato (vib.). There are also markings for 'w.l.' (with lyrics) and 'Lr.' (lyrics). The tempo is marked 'Tempo Rubato' at the beginning.

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