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For Orchestra



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INSTRUMENTATION

3 Flutes	Timpani
Piccolo (doubling flute 3)	Percussion 1 (bass drum, snare, tam tam, marimba, xylophone)
3 Oboes	Percussion 2 (crash cymbal, concert toms, snare)
Cor Anglais (doubling oboe 3)	Percussion 3 (tam- tam)
3 Clarinets	Percussion 4 (snare)
Bass Clarinet (doubling clarinet 3)	Piano
3 Bassoons	Harp
Contrabassoon (doubling bassoon 3)	Violin I (16)
4 Horns in F	Violin II (14)
3 Trumpets	Viola (12)
2 Tenor Trombones	Violoncello (10)
Bass Trombone	Double Basses (6)
Tuba	

Duration: c.00:04:30

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'Winner Takes All'

'Winner Takes All' was composed in February, based around John Williams' 'Summon The Heroes.' Whilst I originally composed the piece for a symphony orchestra, I was later 'commissioned' by the school to arrange it for our concert band for a performance in the summer. Scores of both arrangements are provided, however the demo only applies to the original arrangement.

Once the piece was written, the biggest challenge in arranging it was gauging the difficulty of the players I had to work with. The concert band had a huge range of abilities, from pre-grade 1 to two diploma standard players; a clarinettist and a cellist. It therefore became important to maintain a challenge, or at least some interest, in some parts, whilst also ensuring that each instrumentalist could actually play their part, all the while trying to keep my original vision for the piece alive.

Several sections had to go, for example the 7/8 section would have sounded unintentionally '20th century' had I attempted that with the ensemble. I also swapped the string quartet section for a solo cello part, accompanied by the piano, which sounded fantastic and really helped to tie the piece together.

Another area of difficulty I encountered was in the rhythm. Whilst I had the bias of the composer who had written each part, sight-reading tuplets in 12/8 was a nightmare for most of the group, so workarounds had to be reached, and complex polyrhythms were a total non-starter.

Overall, I was very happy with the end result with the concert band, and it was fantastic to be able to see my first piece go from score to stage, in whatever form it ended up.

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Flute 1 - 2

Flute 3/ Piccolo/ Alto Flute

Oboe 1 - 2

Oboe 3/ Cor Anglais

Clarinet in B♭ 1 - 2

Clarinet in B♭ 3/ Bass Clarinet in B♭

Bassoon 1 - 2

Bassoon 3/ Contrabassoon

Horn in F 1

Horn in F 2

Horn in F 3

Horn in F 4

Trumpet in B♭ 1 - 2

Trumpet in B♭ 3

Trombone 1 - 2

Bass Trombone

Tuba

Timpani

Percussion 1 - 2

Percussion 3 - 4

Harp

Piano

Violin I

Violin II

Viola

Violoncello

Contrabass

a little faster $\text{♩}=105$

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Fl. 3 4 6 8

Fl.

Ob. 4 div

Bass Clarinet in B♭ ff

Cl. ff f pp

Cbsn.

Hn. 3 fp ff 6 8

Hn. fp ff f pp

Hn. fp ff f pp

Hn. fp ff f pp

Tpt.

Tbn. 3 ff

B. Tbn. 3 ff

Tba.

Tim. 2 ff Large Bass Drum Crash Cymbal Tam-Tam ff mf ff

Perc.

Perc. ff

Hp.

Kbd. 3 p f 6 8

Vln. I ff 6 8

Vln. II ff

Vla. ff

Vc. 3 ff

Cb. 3 ff pp

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Fl. (105) Fl. (106) Fl. (107) Piccolo (108)

Ob. (105) Ob. (106) Ob. (107) f ff

B. Cl. (105) Clarinet in B♭ (106) ff

Cbsn. (105) ff

Hn. (105) Hn. (106) Hn. (107) ff (108)

Hn. (105) Hn. (106) Hn. (107) ff (108)

Hn. (105) Hn. (106) Hn. (107) ff (108)

Tpt. (105) ff (106) f ff (107) f ff (108)

Tbn. (105) ff sf (106) sf (107) sf (108)

B. Tbn. (105) ff (106) ff (107) ff (108) sf

Tba. (105) ff (106) ff (107) ff (108) 2

Tim. (105) pp ff (106) ff (107) ff (108) ff fff Xylophone

Perc. (105) Crash Cymbal (106) ff (107) ff (108) ff

Perc. (105) ff Tam-Tam (106) ff (107) ff (108) ff

Hp. (105) ff (106) ff (107) ff (108) ff

Kbd. (105) ff (106) ff (107) ff (108) ff

Vln. I (105) ff (106) ff (107) ff (108) ff

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Vla. (105) ff (106) ff (107) ff (108) ff

Vc. (105) ff (106) ff (107) ff (108) ff

Cb. (105) ff (106) ff (107) ff (108) ff

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Vln. I (105) ff (106) ff (107) ff (108) ff

Vln. II (105) ff (106) ff (107) ff (108) ff

Vla. (105) ff (106) ff (107) ff (108) ff

Vc. (105) ff (106) ff (107) ff (108) ff

Cb. (105) ff (106) ff (107) ff (108) ff

