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*Meditation
at Dusk*

for orchestra

*Poised like a Pheonix,
I sigh in and out,
Tuning in to Nature's breathing.
As She goes to sleep, I travel to high mountain tops.
Pain and pleasure intermingle.
It's a good place to spend dusk,
Between the Earth and the stars.*

Instrumentation

Piccolo

2 Flutes (1 doubling Piccolo)

2 Oboes (1 doubling Cor Anglais)

2 Clarinets in B flat

2 Bassoons

4 Horns in F

2 Trumpets in B flat

Tenor and Bass Trombones (in C)

Tuba (in C)

Harp

Principal String Orchestra:

Violins 1 & 2

Viola

Violoncello

Contrabass

Secondary String Orchestra:

As above

Recommended combined string orchestra size:

16. 16. 12. 12. 8 (divided into 2)

Performance Instructions

The unusual aspect of this piece that requires note is the use of two separate string orchestras: the principal string orchestra (PSO) and secondary string orchestra (SSO). The PSO should be placed in the standard position on stage; that is, at the front. The SSO should be in the background. I deliberately leave this vague because the precise solution may depend on the hall being used. Two possible solutions may be:

1. (Preferred) The SSO is placed directly behind the PSO, seated in the standard string orchestra formation, while the woodwind and brass players stand on either side of the two orchestras, effectively in front of the SSO but behind the PSO.
2. The PSO and SSO together occupy the standard string orchestra position at the front of the stage, but the SSO players sit in the back desks of each section.

Whichever solution is used, the effect should be such that an audience seated in front of the orchestra perceives the SSO as fainter and secondary to the PSO. It would in fact be preferable if the players in the SSO were barely visible, giving the sound coming from the SSO a more mysterious, intangible quality. In this respect, solution 2 above is quite unsatisfactory, and solution 1 is preferred.

The SSO is written above the PSO in the full score.

Other notes:

The glissandi that appear initially in the SSO parts and recur throughout the piece should last only for a quaver; for example, if attached to a minim, the glissando should occur during the last quaver beat of that minim, etc. The effect should be that of steady breathing.

Any other glissandi in the score (in any part) should be executed as an expressive device, brief and tasteful.

All metronome markings are to be taken as an indication of the flow of the music. I leave it to the conductor to determine what feels best; however, chosen tempos should not be much slower or faster than those indicated.

Dedicated to Richard Gill

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Poco andante $\text{♩} = 50-55$

Harp G.P. **pp**

Violin 1 G.P. **pp** con sord.

Violin 2 G.P. **pp**

Viola G.P. **pp** pizz. (senza sord.)

Violoncello G.P. **pp** con sord.

Contrabass G.P. **pp**

Violin 1 G.P. **pp** **p dolce**

Violin 2 G.P. **pp** **pp**

Viola G.P. **pp** **div.** **8va** (arco)

Violoncello G.P. **pp** **pizz.** (bottom voice loco)

Contrabass G.P. **pp** **pizz.**

pp

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poco rit.

Hp.

Vln. 1

Vln. 2

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

Vln. 1

pp — *mp* — *p* — *pp* — *ppp* — *mp* *dolce* — *dim. al ppp*

Vln. 2

p — *p* — *mp* — *pp* — *pp* — *pp* — *mf* — *pp*

Vla.

p — *mp* — *p* — *mp* — *pp* — *mf* — *p* — *mp* — *pp*

Vc.

p — *(s)* — *mp* — *p loco* — *p* — *pp* — *mp* *espr.* — *pp*

Cb.

arco pp — *pp* — *p* — *pp* — *pizz. mp* (bottom voice) — *pp arco*

sempre pp

p

pizz. mp

mp

18 **a tempo**

poco stretto ——————
poco rall. ——————

Hp.

Vln. 1 **a tempo**
pp

Vln. 2 **a tempo**
pp

Vla. **a tempo**
pp

Vc. **a tempo**
pp

Cb. **a tempo**
pp

Vln. 1 **poco stretto**
p *pp* *pp* *p* *pp* *mp*

Vln. 2 **poco stretto**
p *pp* *p* *mp* *p* *dim*

Vla. **poco stretto**
p *pp* *p* *mp* *pp* *mf*

Vc. **poco stretto**
p *espr.* *pp* *dolcissimo*
p *mp* *p* *mp*

Cb. **poco rall.**
arco *pizz.* *arco*
pp *mf* *pp*

26

poco più mosso $\text{♩} = 58-62$

Hp. *mp*

Vln. 1

Vln. 2

Vla. *arco* *p* *pp* *p* *pp*

Vc. *pp* *pizz.* *pp*

Cb. *pp* *pizz.* *pp*

Vln. 1 *più p* *ppp* *poco cresc.* *—mp—* *pp—p* *— pp p—* *pp dim.* *ppp*

Vln. 2 *pp* *—mp—* *p* *— pp* *mf* *mp—* *p*

Vla. *—* *mp espr.* *(arco) p* *mf* *— mp—* *mf* *— dim.* *pp*

Vc. *pp* *pizz. p* *(bottom voice)* *pizz.* *pp* *arco* *p* *pp*

Cb. *p* *pizz.* *p*

poco rit.
slow arpeggio *mf*

35 poco meno mosso $\text{♩} = 46$ poco a poco a tempo - - - - - ($\text{♩} = 58-62$)

Hp. $\# \text{F}$ mp

Vln. 1 p pp *poco* - - - - -

Vln. 2 p

Vla. *div.* pp p

Vc. arco *div.* mp *dim.* pp

Cb. p pp *div.* p pp *ppp*

Vln. 1 mp pp p p p pp pp

Vln. 2 mp p *dim.* p p p p pp pp

Vla. *div.* p pp *div.* p pp pp mp pp

Vc. *poco cresc.* pp *poco* - - - - - pp p ppp

Cb. pizz. p arco *div.* p pp pp

45

Picc. Fl. Ob. Hp. Vln. 1 Vln. 2 Vla. Vc. Cb. Vln. 1 Vln. 2 Vla. Vc. Cb.

poco rall. **Tempo I** $\text{♩} = 50-55$

p Piccolo *pp* To Fl. *pp*

N.B. *mf* *espress.*

p *pp* *mf* *pp* *mf*

p dim.

mp

mp

mp

p

(8) *top part div. a2* *p* *pp* *p* *pp*

ppp *ppp* *ppp*

ppp

div. *ppp* *pp* *pp* *mp* *pp*

ppp *ppp* *pp* *pp* *mp* *pp*

56

Picc. Flute N.B.

Ob. N.B.

Cl. 5 3 3 3 mp express.

Hp. p

Vln. 1

Vln. 2 pp

Vla. pp

Vc. morendo half section pp

Cb.

Vln. 1 mp p

Vln. 2 p

Vla. p

Vc. p

Cb. p

N.B. woodwind parts soloistic, thus: poco accel. ad lib. within each beat
(but aligning the main beats with the orchestra)

60 *colla parte* *accel.* *rall.* *a tempo* *poco stretto* —————

Ob. 3 7 13 *pp morendo*

Bsn. *mf* *p* *pp morendo*

Hp. *mf* *espress.* *p morendo*

colla parte *a tempo* *poco stretto* —————

Vln. 1

Vln. 2

Vla. *ppp*

Vc.

Cb. *pizz.* *mf* *mp* *arco* *p*

Vln. 1 *p* *pp* *cresc.* *mf* *pp* *pochiss. gliss.* *mp* *sfp*

Vln. 2 *pp* *cresc.* *mf* *pp* *div.* *sfp*

Vla. *pp* *cresc.* *mp* *pp* *div.*

Vc. *pp* *cresc.* *mp* *pp* *div.*

Cb. *pp* *cresc.* *mp* *pp*

68 *poco più mosso* $\text{♩} = 58-62$

Fl. *ppp*

Ob. 1. *sf* ♩ *p cresc.* ♩ *mp* ♩

Cl. *mp*

Bsn. 1. *mp*

Hp. *mf*

poco più mosso $\text{♩} = 58-62$

Vln. 1 *p* *ppp sempre*

Vln. 2 *pp* *ppp sempre*

Vla. *pp* *ppp sempre*

Vc. *pp* *ppp sempre*

Cb. *p* *mp*

Vln. 1 *div.* *pp* *pp* *ppp* *mf* *mf*

Vln. 2 *pp* *pp* *mp* *mp* *mf* *mf* *mp*

Vla. *div.* *mp* *espress.* *pp* *sf* *mf* *mp*

Vc. *div.* *mp* *espress.* *pizz. vib.* *f*

Cb. *p* *mp* *mf*

78

poco a poco più intenso (e pochiss. stretto)

Fl. 1. *ppp* — *p cresc.* *mp* —
2. *mf* — *pp* —

Ob. *mf* — *pp* —

Cl. *pp* — *p* — *dim.* *pp* —
1. *mp* —

Bsn. *p* — *mp* —

Hn. 1,3 1. *mp* —

Hp. *p* — *mp* — *mf* —

poco a poco più intenso (e pochiss. stretto)

Vln. 1 —
Vln. 2 *pppp*
Vla. *pppp*
Vc. *pppp*
Cb. *p* — *pp* — *p* — *mf* — *mp* —

Vln. 1 *> mp* — *p < poco* — *> pp* — *p* — *dim.* *pp* — *p* — *mp* — *mf* — *mp* —
Vln. 2 *mf* — *pp* — *p* — *dim.* *pp* — *p* — *mf* — *mp* —
Vla. *mf* — *pp* — *p poco* — *mf* — *pp* — *p* — *mf* — *mp* —
Vc. *mf* — *pp* — *div. arco* *mf* — *pp* — *p* — *mf* — *mp* —
Cb. *mf* — *pp* — *div. pizz.* *mf* — *pp* — *(div.) arco* — *unis. arco* — *p* — *mf* — *mp* —

pizz.

89

Fl. Ob. Cl. Bsn.

cresc. *mf* *f* *cresc.* *sf* *p* *poco rall.* *mf* *pp*

Hn. 1,3 Hn. 2,4

p cresc. *mf* *#8* *sf* *sf* *f express.* *mf dim.* *pp*

4.

Hp.

f *ff* *l.v.* *ff* *poco rall.* *mf* *pp*

Vln. 1 Vln. 2 Vla. Vc. Cb.

mf *cresc.* *sf* *pizz. div.* *arco.* *pizz.* *resonant (l.v.)*

cresc. *mf* *f* *cresc.* *sf* *mp* *mf* *mp*

Vln. 1 Vln. 2 Vla. Vc. Cb.

cresc. *mf* *f* *cresc.* *sf* *mp* *#8* *pp dim.*

mf *f* *cresc.* *sf* *mp* *div.* *mf*

cresc. *mf* *f* *cresc.* *sf* *mf dim.* *p*

cresc. *mf* *f* *cresc.* *ff* *mp* *p*

98

Fl. 1. dolce

Ob. 1.

Cl. 1.

Bsn. p f

Hn. 1,3 p f 4.

Hn. 2,4 p f 1.

Tpt. mf

Vln. 1 p senza sord. non div.

Vln. 2 senza sord. non div.

Vla. senza sord. non div.

Vc. senza sord. non div.

Cb. mf p cresc. f

Vln. 1 pp f

Vln. 2 mp mf dolce mf f f

Vla. mp mf mf f f

Vc. mp cresc. mf f

Cb. p cresc. f

14 106

Picc. *ff* *sempre ff*

Fl. *ff* *a2* *ff* *sempre ff*

Ob. *ff* *a2* *ff* *sempre ff*

Cl. *ff* *sempre ff*

Bsn. *ff* *sempre ff*

Hn. 1,3 *ff* *a2* *ff* *ff*

Hn. 2,4 *ff* *mf* *ff* *mf*

Tpt. *f* *ff* *mf* *ff* *mf*

Tbn. *ff* *mf* *ff* *mf* *ff*

Vln. 1 *senza sord.* *ff* *sempre ff*

Vln. 2 *ff* *sempre ff*

Vla. *ff*

Vc. *ff*

Cb. *ff*

Vln. 1 *ff* *sempre ff*

Vln. 2 *ff* *sempre ff*

Vla. *ff* *(change bow)* *sempre ff* *molto espress.*

Vc. *cresc.* *ff* *ff* *sempre ff*

Cb. *cresc.* *ff*

114

Picc. Fl. Ob. Cl. Bsn. Hn. 1,3 Hn. 2,4 Tpt. Tbn. Tba.

(8)

Vln. 1 Vln. 2 Vla. Vc. Cb.

(8)

Vln. 1 Vln. 2 Vla. Vc. Cb.

15

121

Picc. *molto dim.*
A (unmeasured tremolo)

Fl. *dim. poco a poco*
(unmeasured tremolo)

Fl. *dim. poco a poco*

Ob. *dim. poco a poco*

Ob. *dim. poco a poco*

Cl. *dim. poco a poco etc. (always 6-tuplets)*

Cl. *dim. poco a poco etc. (always 6-tuplets)*

Bsn. *dim.*

Hn. 1,3 *ff dim.*

Hn. 2,4 *ff dim.*

Tpt. *dim.*

Tbn. *dim.*

Tba. *dim.*

Vln. 1 *dim. 6*

Vln. 2 *dim. 6*

Vla. *dim.*

Vc. *dim.*

Cb. *dim.*

Vln. 1 *dim. 3*

Vln. 2 *dim. 3*

Vla. *dim. div.*

Vc. *dim.*

Cb. *dim.*

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ff

molto cresc.

mf

molto cresc.

mp

f

molto cresc.

p

p molto cresc.

p molto cresc.

Picc.

Fl. ***ff***

Ob. *a2* *molto express.* ***ff***

Cl. ***ff***

Bsn. ***ff*** *a2* ***ff***

Hn. 1,3 *sempr. ff* *a2* *espress.* *f*

Hn. 2,4 ***ff*** *a2* *espress.* *f*

Tpt. ***ff*** *f* *a2* ***ff*** *f*

Tbn. *f* ***ff*** *f* *f* *espress.*

Tba. *f*

Vln. 1 *div.* ***ff*** *div.* ***ff*** *8va* *div.* *con anima* *mf*

Vln. 2 ***ff*** *div.* ***ff*** *molto express.* ***ff*** *div.* *mf*

Vla. ***ff*** *div.* ***ff*** *pizz.* ***ff*** *div.* *sf*

Vc. ***ff*** *div.* ***ff*** *pizz.* ***ff*** *div.* *sf mf*

Cb. *ff* *div.* ***ff*** *div.* ***ff*** *f*

Vln. 1 *div.* ***ff*** *div.* ***ff*** *8va* *div.* *f*

Vln. 2 ***ff*** *div.* ***ff*** *div.* ***ff*** *V* ***ff***

Vla. ***ff*** *unis (non div.)* ***ff*** *(non div.)* ***ff*** *ff*

Vc. ***ff*** *unis (non div.)* ***ff*** *sempr. ff* ***ff*** *ff*

Cb. ***ff*** *ff* *sempr. ff* ***ff*** *ff*

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Picc. *a2* *ff* *stretto*

Fl. *ff* 3 *ff*

Ob. *a2*

Cl. *a2* *ff* *molto express.*

Bsn. *a2* *ff* *espress.*

Hn. 1,3 *ff* *espress.*

Hn. 2,4 *a2* *f* *a2* *f*

Tpt. 1. *ff* 1. *con sord.* *espress.* *ff* 3 *senza sord.*

Tbn. *f* *v* *v* *f*

Tba. *f* *v* *v*

Vln. 1

Vln. 2 *molto express.*

Vla. *ff* *molto express.* *cresc.* 3 *3*

Vc. *ff* *cresc.* 6 *6* *cresc.* non div.

Cb. *arco* *V* *espress.*

Vln. 1 *ff* 3 *molto express.*

Vln. 2 *div.* *non div.* *ff* *ff* *div.* *(div. a2)*

Vla. *ff* *div.* *molto express.* *non div.* *A* *ff* *ff* *div.* *(div. a2)*

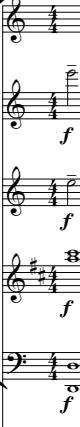
Vc. *V* *ff* *div.* *A* *A* *ff* *V*

Cb. *V* *espress.* *V* *A* *A* *ff*

espress.

19 140 poco a poco allargando

extremely broad ($\downarrow=60$)

Picc. 

Fl. 

Ob. 

Cl. 

Bsn. 

Hn. 1,3 

Hn. 2,4 

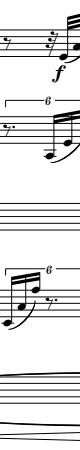
Tpt. 

Tbn. 

Tba. 

poco a poco allargando

Vln. 1 

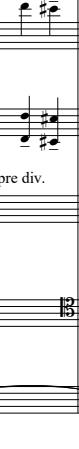
Vln. 2 

Vla. 

Vc. 

Cb. 

Vln. 1 

Vln. 2 

Vla. 

Vc. 

Cb. 

poco accel.

147 rit. - - - - - a tempo, ma un poco più mosso ($\text{♩}=64$)

Picc. Fl. Ob. Cl. Cl. Bsn. Hn. 1,3 Hn. 2,4 Tpt. Tbn. Tba.

cresc. *sf* *espress.* *pp* *colla parte*
cresc. *sf* *espress.* *pp morendo*
cresc. *sf* *espress.* *pp morendo*
cresc. *sf* *dim.* *pp*

Hn. 1,3 Hn. 2,4 Tpt. Tbn. Tba.

a2 *f* *espri.* *p*
f *sf* *mp* *p*
f *sf* *pp*
mf *sf* *dim.* *pp*

Vln. 1 Vln. 2 Vla. Vc. Cb.

dim. *cresc.* *sf* *pp* *colla parte*
cresc. *sf* *div.* *morendo*
cresc. *sfmf* *pp*
cresc. *sfmf* *div.* *pp*
cresc. *sfmf* *pp*

Vln. 1 Vln. 2 Vla. Vc. Cb.

f *sf* *mf* *p* *pp dim.*
f *sf* *mf* *p* *pp dim.*
cresc. *sf* *mf dim.* *mp* *pp*
cresc. *sf* *mf dim.* *mp* *pp*
pizz. *ff* *ff*

(all parts trem.) *a2*
non div.

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Picc. *ad lib. (rubato e espressivo)*

Fl.

Ob.

Cl. *sfp*

Bsn. *sfp* *pp < mp > pp* *pp cresc.* *sf pp* *pp*

Hn. 1,3 *pp morendo*

Hn. 2,4 *pp morendo* *ppp morendo* *ppp morendo*

Tpt. *ppp morendo*

Tbn. *ppp morendo*

Tba. *ppp morendo*

Hp. *sf*

Vln. 1 *a tempo* *div. a2* *1: non-trem.* *2: trem.* *(all non-trem.)* *poco rall.*

Vln. 2 *pp* *mfp* *sf* *div.* *ppp morendo* *ppp morendo*

Vla. *pp* *mfp* *sf* *ppp morendo*

Vc. *mp* *pp* *mfp* *pizz. (div.)* *ppp morendo* *arco (G-string)* *con sord.* *ppp*

Cb. *sf* *div. a2* *1: non-trem.* *2: trem.* *(all non-trem.)*

Vln. 1 *pp* *ppp morendo* *esp. expr.*

Vln. 2 *sf* *ppp C-string* *p* *pp p*

Vla. *sf* *pizz. (div.)* *arco* *ppp morendo* *p* *mf p*

Vc. *sf* *pizz.* *ppp arco* *p* *mp p*

Cb. *sf* *ppp* *ppp* *ppp*

suspended ($\downarrow=50$)

poco rall.

162 Tempo I ($\text{♩}=50-55$)

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Fl.

Cor Anglais

To Ob.

Ob.

Oboe

Cl.

Bsn.

Hn. 1,3

Hn. 2,4

Tbn.

Tba.

Tempo I ($\text{♩}=50-55$)
con sord.

Vln. 1

con sord.

Vln. 2

pizz.

Vla.

arco

Vc.

pp

Cb.

Vln. 1

pp

Vln. 2

pp

Vla.

espr.

Vc.

pp

Cb.

23

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poco stretto rit. a tempo

Fl. wide vib.

Ob. *mp* *mf*

Cl. *mf* *sf* *pp morendo* *p* *mp* *pp* *p* *pp* *mf* *sf* *espress.* *mp* *espress.*

Bsn. *pp* *mf* *sf* *pp morendo*

Hn. 1,3 (normal) *sfp* *sf* *pp morendo*

Hn. 2,4 *sfp* *sf* *pp morendo*

Tbn. *p* *mf* *p*

Tba. *p* *(sempre p)* *sf* *pp* *mp*

Hp. *ff* *mp*

poco stretto rit. a tempo

Vln. 1 *morendo* *p* *pp morendo* *p* *pp* *(art. harm. gliss.)*

Vln. 2 *morendo* *div. a2* *p* *pp* *sul pont.* *p*

Vla. *mp* *mf* *p* *p* *p* *p* *pp* *sul pont.* *sf* *sul pont.*

Vc. *(div.)* *mf* *mp* *p* *pp* *dolce* *div. sul pont.* *sf* *pizz.*

Cb. *sf* *ppp* *ppp* *sf* *div. sul pont.*

Vln. 1 *ppp* *p* *mf* *pp* *pp* *sf*

Vln. 2 *ppp* *mp* *pp* *mp* *dim.* *dolce* *pp* *pp* *div. (non sul pont.)* *p*

Vla. *mp* *mf* *pp* *p* *espress.* *p* *mp* *pp* *sf* *sul pont.*

Vc. *mp morendo* *sf* *ppp* *p* *mp* *pp* *sf*

Cb. *sf* *ppp* *p* *pp* *pp* *sf*

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Cl.

Bsn.

Tbn.

Tba.

Hp.

Vln. 1 (art. harm. gliss.)

Vln. 2

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

Vln. 1

Vln. 2

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

rall.

p

pp

ppp

ppp *pppp*
morendo

normal

espress.
(*vla. prominent*)

pp

cresc.

mp

pp

normal

poco express.

p

pp

pp

arco (div.)
poco express.

pp

pp

pp

normal

mp express.

pp

mp

p morendo

pp

mp

p morendo

espress.
(*vla. prominent*)

pp

mp

p morendo

normal

pp

mp

p morendo

ppp

pp

ppp