

Aphorisms and Rituals

~for Michael Matsuno~

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17

(x.) (n.)

2

5+3/16

mf

sffz *sfz*

3:2

sffz

4:5

sffz

5:4

sffz

*3:2 hum**

2

5/16

sffz *sfz*

3:2

sffz

4:5

sffz

t - k

p

sfz

* pitch = natural speaking voice

21

(n.) (x.)

sh

ff-th

5:4 oo

sffz

sffz

5:4

mp

l.pizz

5:4

sfp

5:4

sffz

sffz

t.pizz.

sffz

sffz

uh

ih

5:4

3:2

mfp

(x.) (n.)

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(x.) (n.)

t

3:2

sffz

1.pizz

tff

5:4 (ff)th

mfp

pp

p

pppp

sh

t.pizz.

~8"

mfp

mfp

mfp

R1
"The point that includes..."
(absolute steadiness; length *possible*)

pppp

C#5

pp

sempre

(n.)

attacca

"The duty of noise..."
(deep, full breaths;
repeat ad lib.)

(breath changes masked by double-tonguing)

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This figure displays a multi-staff musical score for voice and percussion. The score is organized into three main sections, each labeled with a triangle symbol (1, 2, 3). The notation includes various vocal techniques indicated by symbols above the staff (circles, crosses, dots) and dynamic markings (ff, f, mf, pp). Performance instructions such as 'lyrically' and 'do not exhale' are also present. Measure numbers 29 through 44 are visible along the left margin.

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4 * lips forward, air directed into flute → ●

(x.) — (n.) — (x.) — (n.) — (x., n.) — ee → oh → ah

waves* too koo tsh (sh)uh-k-t-k (sh)uh-k-t-k 5 1 2 3 4 5 6 t-k-t-k-t-k-t-k-t-k 3:2 2 3:2 sfzp mf mf mf sfzp mf

rit. gasps (short as possible, use diaphragm) (x., n.) oh - ah - eh - ay - ih identical (n.) ih ~2" tuh ih X 2 4 mp 3:2 2+5 16 mp 3

51 2 4 5:4 5:4 a tempo | 5 4 | 2+5 16 | 3 | 3

molto rit. — — — a bit faster ($\text{♩} = 70$) 55 (x.) tss l.pizz (n.) ih 3 7:4 l.pizz tss b-b (n.) b(ee) sfzp 5:4 5:4 f

R3

"The conditioned realm"

(gently)
X senza misura

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(n) - - - (x) (n) (x) (n) - - - (x) (n) (x)

59 tuh tih koo tuh sh ff th oo sh ff th tuh tih koo sh ff sh ff ✕

ad lib.
p - mp

(x) (n) (x) (n) - - - (x) (n) (x) (n) - - - - - (x) (n) (x) (n) (x)

60 koo tuh oo tuh ff th tih sh tih tuh ff tih too sh ff sh tih th ff tuh oo tuh koo sh ff sh ff ✕ ff sh ✕

ad lib.
p - mp

ppp

61 (n) (x) (n) (x) oo sh tuh tuh kuh koo sh ff tuh th tih tuh

mp

(x) (n) (x) (n) (x) oo sh tuh tuh kuh ff th tuh tih tuh tih ff sh ff ✕

62 (x) fsh (n) - - - - - narrow contour ad lib.
(2-3 pitches; cut out before fall)

pp

(n) - - - - (x) (n) - (x) tuh tih koo tuh sh ff

7/8 | 3/4 p < mf p mf p

(x) th oo (ff)th ah (n) - - (x) pee-peep tss b-b pih (n) - -

66 3/4 | 3/8 | 7/8 | 3/2 | puh

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This image shows a single staff of musical notation on page 8. The staff begins with a dynamic **p**. It features several performance instructions, including "psh-psh-psh-psh" with a square symbol, "tuh" with a circle symbol, "ff-th t.pizz. ^{uh*} 4:3" with a circle and a black dot, "tuh" with a circle symbol, "ff-th t.pizz. ^{uh*} 4:3" with a circle and a black dot, and "contour ad lib." with a diamond symbol. The staff also includes a "W" symbol, a "7 8" time signature, a "3/4" time signature, and a "5:4" time signature. Various dynamics such as **mfp**, **f**, **sfz**, and **mp** are indicated throughout the staff.

* pitch = natural speaking voice

Musical score for page 119, measures 11-12. The score consists of two staves. The top staff starts with a black circle above the first note. Measure 11 ends with a fermata over the eighth note. Measure 12 begins with a fermata over the first note, followed by a measure repeat sign. The bottom staff starts with a fermata over the first note, followed by a measure repeat sign. Measure 12 continues with a fermata over the eighth note.

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* = ad lib. expansion and contraction of durations should be, at times, quite dramatic (e.g., a quarter becomes as long as a halfnote or as short as an eighth note). The versions provide a normative model—a prompt—from which one freely diverges to create fluidity and unpredictability in variation while always strangely hovering around this basic sequence

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Musical score for vocal exercise 153. The score consists of two staves. The top staff shows a vocal line with various dynamic markings like *sfz*, *mp*, and *mp*. It includes instruction text: "(n).", "senza misura" (do not breathe), "sh", "tuh", and "(x)". The tempo is marked as $\text{♩} = 60$ and $\text{♩} = 60$ for the exhausted section. The bottom staff shows a piano accompaniment with a bass line and a treble line containing eighth-note patterns.