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STANZA

for Orchestra

2 Flutes (2nd = Piccolo)

2 Oboes

2 Clarinets in Bb (2nd doubling Bass Clarinet in Bb)

2 Bassoons

4 Horns in F

3 Trumpets in Bb (1.2 harmon mute & 1-3 straight mute)

2 Trombones (straight mute)

Tuba (con sord.)

Timpani (doubling Claves)

Percussion (1): Whip (not Slapstick), 2 Woodblocks (high / low), 3 Tom-toms (high / medium / low), Bass Drum, Ratchet (mounted), Finger Cymbal (mounted), Suspended Cymbal, Tam-tam

Violin 1 (div. a 2)

Violin 2 (div. a 2)

Viola (div. a 2)

Violoncello (div. a 2)

Double Bass (div. a 4)

Duration: approx. 5 Minutes

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Royal Scottish National Orchestra

Conductor - Thomas Søndergård

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BBC Scottish Symphony Orchestra

Conductor - Richard Baker

Programme Notes

STANZA is a short piece for orchestra. The work was commissioned by the St Magnus International Festival with support from Robert Clark and Susan Costello for performance by the Royal Scottish National Orchestra conducted by Thomas Søndergård at the 2012 festival.

The title is drawn from the poetic verse format with the same name. In versification a stanza describes a pattern of eight verses which consist of eleven syllables. A similar structure determines the overall shape of the music: The piece consists of eight sections of differing proportions which are further divided through rhythmic patterns consisting of eleven beats and eight articulation points. The music unfolds in a disruptive manner presenting the described patterns as horizontal lines and vertical ictus.

Beyond the structural considerations there is also a more immediate relation between the choice of the title and the emotional content of the music: When translated to German the word *Stanze* has an alternative meaning relating to a 'punching device'. In musical terms this correlates with the directness in character as well as with the maintaining of momentum that I wanted to achieve in this piece.

B

♩ = ♩ (♩ = 162 / ♩ = 108)

Fl./Picc.

Ob.

Cl.

[Clarinet]

Bsn.

Hr.

Tpt.

Tbn.

Tba.

Timp.

Perc. (Whip)

B

♩ = ♩ (♩ = 162 / ♩ = 108)

Vln. 1

Vln. 2

Vla.

Vc.

Db.

14

FL/Picc
Ob.
Cl.
Bsn.
Hn.
Tpt.
Tbn.
Tba.
Timp.
Perc. (Whip)
Vln. 1
Vln. 2
Vla.
Vc.
Db.

p *f* *pp*

ff *col legno batt.*

The score is for measures 14 through 18. The woodwind section (Flute/Piccolo, Oboe, Clarinet, Bassoon) is mostly silent, with the Clarinet playing a melodic line in measures 15-18, marked with dynamics *p*, *f*, and *pp*. The brass section (Horn, Trumpet, Trombone, Tuba) plays rhythmic patterns, with the Tuba and Trombone parts featuring triplets and slurs. The string section (Violin 1, Violin 2, Viola, Violoncello, Double Bass) plays a rhythmic accompaniment, with the Violin parts marked *ff* and *col legno batt.* (col legno battuto). The Percussion part includes a Whip, which plays a rhythmic pattern in measures 15-18. The time signature changes from 3/4 to 2/4 in measure 15 and back to 3/4 in measure 18.

C

22

Fl./Pic. *p* *f* *p*

Ob. *f* *p sub.* *p*

Cl. *pp* *p* *pp* *p* *mf* *fp* *f* *p* *p*

Bsn.

Hn.

Tpt. *pp*

Tbn.

Tba. *pp* *p*

Timp.

C

Perc.

Vln. 1 *pizz.* *pp*

Vln. 2 *pizz.* *pp*

Vla.

Vc. *pp*

Db. 1. solo pizz
2. tutti (arco)

D

29

FL/Picc.

Ob.

Cl.

Bsn.

Hr.

Tpt.

Tbn.

Tba.

Timp.

Perc.

Vln. 1

Vln. 2

Vla.

Vc.

Db.

p

pp

f

ff

f sub.

rim of high timp.

Wood Blocks

Whip

pizz.

div. a 2

unis.

E

36

Fl./Pic.

Musical notation for Flute/Piccolo part, measures 36-40. Includes dynamics: *f*, *p*, *f sub.*, *fp*, *f*, *p*, *f*, *fp*.

Ob.

Musical notation for Oboe part, measures 36-40. Includes dynamics: *f sub.*, *p sub.*, *p*, *f sub.*, *p*.

Cl.

Musical notation for Clarinet part, measures 36-40. Includes dynamics: *p*, *f*, *p*, *f sub.*, *p*.

Bsn.

Musical notation for Bassoon part, measures 36-40. Includes dynamics: *f sub.*, *p*.

Hr.

Musical notation for Horn part, measures 36-40. Includes dynamics: *f sub.*, *p*.

Tpt.

Musical notation for Trumpet part, measures 36-40. Includes dynamics: *f sub.*, *p*.

Tbn.

Musical notation for Trombone part, measures 36-40. Includes dynamics: *f sub.*, *p*.

Tba.

Musical notation for Tuba part, measures 36-40. Includes dynamics: *f sub.*, *p*.

Timp.

Musical notation for Timpani part, measures 36-40. Includes dynamics: *f sub.*, *p*.

Perc.

Musical notation for Percussion part, measures 36-40. Includes dynamics: *f sub.*, *p*. Includes a box labeled "Wood Blocks".

E

Vln. 1

Musical notation for Violin 1 part, measures 36-40. Includes dynamics: *p*.

Vln. 2

Musical notation for Violin 2 part, measures 36-40. Includes dynamics: *p*.

Vla.

Musical notation for Viola part, measures 36-40. Includes dynamics: *p*.

Vc.

Musical notation for Violoncello part, measures 36-40. Includes dynamics: *p*.

Db.

Musical notation for Double Bass part, measures 36-40. Includes dynamics: *p*.

48

FL./Picc.

Ob.

Cl.

Bsn.

Hn.

Tpt.

Tbn.

Tba.

Timp.

Perc. (Wood Blocks)

Vln. 1

Vln. 2

Vla.

Vc.

Db.

The musical score for measures 48-52 includes the following parts and dynamics:

- FL./Picc.:** Measures 48-52. Dynamics: *f*, *p*, *f*, *p*, *f*, *ff*.
- Ob.:** Measures 48-52. Dynamics: *fp*, *f*, *p*, *f*, *p*, *cresc.*, *f*, *ff*.
- Cl.:** Measures 48-52. Dynamics: *fp*, *f*, *p*, *cresc.*, *f*, *ff*.
- Bsn.:** Measures 48-52. Dynamics: *f*, *p*, *cresc.*, *ff*.
- Hn.:** Measures 48-52. Dynamics: *p*, *f*.
- Tpt.:** Measures 48-52. Dynamics: *p*, *f*. Includes instruction: (straight mute).
- Tbn.:** Measures 48-52. Dynamics: *p*, *f*. Includes instruction: (straight mute).
- Tba.:** Measures 48-52. Dynamics: *p*, *f*.
- Timp.:** Measures 48-52. Dynamics: *p*, *ff*.
- Perc. (Wood Blocks):** Measures 48-52. Dynamics: *p*, *ff*.
- Vln. 1:** Measures 48-52. Dynamics: *f*, *f*, *p*, *f*.
- Vln. 2:** Measures 48-52. Dynamics: *p*, *mp*, *f*, *f*. Includes instruction: *arco*.
- Vla.:** Measures 48-52. Dynamics: *p*, *f*. Includes instruction: *arco*.
- Vc.:** Measures 48-52. Dynamics: *p*, *f*.
- Db.:** Measures 48-52. Dynamics: *p*, *f*.

53

Fl./Pic.

Musical notation for Flute/Piccolo part, measures 53-56. The part is in 4/4 time and features a melodic line starting in measure 55 with a dynamic marking of *p*.

Ob.

Musical notation for Oboe part, measures 53-56. The part is in 4/4 time and features a melodic line starting in measure 55 with a dynamic marking of *p*.

Cl.

Musical notation for Clarinet part, measures 53-56. The part is in 4/4 time and features a melodic line starting in measure 55 with a dynamic marking of *p*.

Bsn.

Musical notation for Bassoon part, measures 53-56. The part is in 4/4 time and features a melodic line starting in measure 55 with dynamic markings of *ff*, *p*, and *f*.

Hr.

Musical notation for Horn part, measures 53-56. The part is in 4/4 time and features a melodic line starting in measure 55 with dynamic markings of *ff*, *p*, *cresc.*, and *ff*.

Tpt.

Musical notation for Trumpet part, measures 53-56. The part is in 4/4 time and features a melodic line starting in measure 55 with a dynamic marking of *ff*.

Tbn.

Musical notation for Trombone part, measures 53-56. The part is in 4/4 time and features a melodic line starting in measure 55 with dynamic markings of *ff*, *p*, and *f*. The instruction "senza sord." is present.

Tba.

Musical notation for Tuba part, measures 53-56. The part is in 4/4 time and features a melodic line starting in measure 55 with dynamic markings of *ff*, *p*, and *f*. The instruction "senza sord." is present.

Timp.

Musical notation for Timpani part, measures 53-56. The part is in 4/4 time and features a melodic line starting in measure 55 with dynamic markings of *f* and *f*.

Perc.

Musical notation for Percussion part, measures 53-56. The part is in 4/4 time and features a melodic line starting in measure 55 with a dynamic marking of *f*.

Vln. 1

Musical notation for Violin 1 part, measures 53-56. The part is in 4/4 time and features a melodic line starting in measure 55 with dynamic markings of *fp*, *fp*, and *fp*. The instruction "arco" is present.

Vln. 2

Musical notation for Violin 2 part, measures 53-56. The part is in 4/4 time and features a melodic line starting in measure 55 with dynamic markings of *fp*, *fp*, and *fp*. The instruction "arco" is present.

Vla.

Musical notation for Viola part, measures 53-56. The part is in 4/4 time and features a melodic line starting in measure 55 with dynamic markings of *fp*, *fp*, and *fp*.

Vc.

Musical notation for Violoncello part, measures 53-56. The part is in 4/4 time and features a melodic line starting in measure 55 with dynamic markings of *fp*, *fp*, and *fp*.

Db.

Musical notation for Double Bass part, measures 53-56. The part is in 4/4 time and features a melodic line starting in measure 55 with dynamic markings of *ff*, *f*, and *ff*. The instruction "pizz." is present.

H

57

FL/Picc. *ff* *fp* *f* *p*

Ob. *f* *p*

Cl. *ff* *f* *p*

Bsn. *p* *f* *p sub.*

Hr. *pp* *f sub.*

Tpt. *pp* *f sub.*

Tbn. *pp* *f sub.*

Tba. *pp* *f sub.*

Timp. *p*

rim of high timp.

Perc. *ff* *fp*

Whip

Wood Blocks

H

Vln. 1 *ff* *f* *pizz.*

Vln. 2 *ff* *f* *pizz.*

Vla. *ff*

Vc. *ff*

Db. *pizz. (uniss.)*

I

68

FL/Picc. *ff* *p* *f* *p*

Ob. *ff* *p* *f*

Cl. *ff* *p* *f*

Bsn. *f*

Hn. *f* *ff*

Tpt. *f* *ff*

Tbn. *ff*

Tba. *ff*

Temp. *pp* *mf* *pp*

(Wood Blocks) *ff* *p* *ff*

Vln. 1 *ff* *p* *mp* *pizz.* *p*

Vln. 2 *ff* *p* *f*

Vla. *ff* *p* *f*

Vc. *f* *p sub.* *f* *p sub.*

Db. *f* *p sub.*

musical notation: staves with notes, rests, and dynamic markings (ff, p, f, mp, pp, mf, pizz., arco, unis., p sub.)

J

FL/Picc.
Ob.
Cl.
Bsn.
Hn.
Tpt.
Tbn.
Tba.
Timp.
Perc.

This section of the score covers measures 73 to 76 for the woodwind and percussion sections. The Flute and Piccolo, Oboe, Clarinet, Bassoon, Horns, Trumpets, and Trombones are mostly silent, with some woodwinds and horns playing short phrases in measure 76. The Timpani part features a rhythmic pattern starting in measure 73. Dynamics include *ff*, *pp*, and *f*.

J

Vln. 1
Vln. 2
Vla.
Vc.
Db.

This section of the score covers measures 73 to 76 for the string sections. The Violins 1 and 2 are silent. The Viola, Violoncello, and Double Bass parts feature a rhythmic pattern of eighth notes with triplets, starting in measure 73. Dynamics include *ff*, *f*, and *pp*.

K

79

Fl./Picc.

Ob.

Cl.

Bsn.

Hr.

Tpt.

Tbn.

Tba.

Timp.

Perc.

Tom-toms (high/low)

Detailed description: This block contains the musical notation for measures 79 through 83 for the woodwind and percussion sections. The instruments listed are Flute/Piccolo, Oboe, Clarinet, Bassoon, Horns (Hr.), Trumpets (Tpt.), Tenor Trombones (Tbn.), Bass Trombone (Tba.), and Timpani (Timp.). The percussion part includes Tom-toms (high/low). The score features various dynamics such as *ff*, *pp*, *f*, and *p*, along with articulation marks like accents and slurs. Measure 79 starts with a key signature change to two flats and a time signature change to 3/4. Measures 80-83 show complex rhythmic patterns and dynamic shifts across the instruments.

K

Vln. 1

Vln. 2

Vla.

Vcl.

Db.

Detailed description: This block contains the musical notation for measures 79 through 83 for the string section. The instruments listed are Violin 1 (Vln. 1), Violin 2 (Vln. 2), Viola (Vla.), Violoncello (Vcl.), and Double Bass (Db.). The score features various dynamics such as *ff*, *pp*, *f*, and *p*, along with articulation marks like accents and slurs. The strings play a rhythmic accompaniment with frequent triplets and dynamic changes throughout the measures.

L

85

FL./Picc.

Ob.

Cl.

Bsn.

Hn.

Tpt.

Tbn.

Tba.

Timp.

Measures 85-90. Woodwind and Percussion section. Includes Flute/Picc., Oboe, Clarinet, Bassoon, Horns, Trumpets, Trombones, and Timpani. Dynamics range from *pp* to *ff*. Includes first and second endings for Horns.

L

Perc.

Bass Drum

Tom-toms

Vln. 1

Vln. 2

Vla.

Vcl.

Db.

Measures 85-90. Percussion and String section. Includes Bass Drum, Tom-toms, Violins, Viola, Violoncello, and Double Bass. Dynamics range from *p* to *ff*. Includes *pp sub.* for Violin 2.

M

91

FL/Picc. *f* *cresc.* *ff* *p sub.*

Ob. *f* *cresc.* *ff* *p sub.*

Cl. *f* *cresc.* *ff* *p sub.*

Bsn. *cresc.* *ff*

Hr. *p* *f*

Tpt. *f* *cresc.*

Tbn. *fp* *f*

Tba. *fp* *f*

Timp. *f*

Perc. (Tom-toms) *f* *pp* *ff*

M

Vln. 1 *f* *ff* *f* *ff*

Vln. 2 *p* *f* *ff* *f* *ff* *fp* *ff*

Vla. *f* *p* *f* *ff* *f* *ff* *fp* *f*

Vc. *f* *cresc.* *ff*

Db. *f* *cresc.* *ff*

96

FL/Picc. *ff* *f* *ff* *ffmf*

Ob. *ff* *f* *ff* *f* *ff* *ffmf*

Cl. *ff* *f* *ff* *ffmf*

Bsn. *f*

Hn. *p* *ff* *p sub.*

Tpt. *ff* *f* *cresc.*

Tbn. *f* *cresc.*

Tba. *f*

Timp. *f*

Perc. *Whip* *ff*

Vln. 1 *ffmf*

Vln. 2 *ff* *ff* *ffmf*

Vla. *ff* *ff* *ffmf*

Vc. *pizz.* *f* *arco*

Db. *pizz.* *f* *arco*

O ♩ = ♩ (♩ = 81)

P ♩ = ♩ (♩ = 162 / ♩ = 108)

101

FL/Picc.

Ob.

Cl.

Bsn.

Hr.

Tpt.

Tbn.

Tba.

Timp.

Perc. (Whip)

O ♩ = ♩ (♩ = 81)

P ♩ = ♩ (♩ = 162 / ♩ = 108)

Vln. 1

Vln. 2

Vla.

Vc.

Db.

Q

R

113

Fl./Pic. *ffmf* *cresc.*

Ob. *p* *ffmf* *f* *ffmf* *cresc.*

Cl. *pp* *p* *ffmf* *f* *ffmf* *cresc.*

Bsn. *pp* *p* *ff* *ffmf* *cresc.*

Hr. *pp* *ff*

Tpt. *p* *ff* *f*

Tbn. *pp* *pp* *ff*

Tba. *pp* *pp* *ff*

Temp. *fp* *ff* *p sub.* *ff*

Perc. Bass Drum *p* *f* *pp* *f* Susp. Cymbal *ff* *pp*

Q

R

Vln. 1 *ff* *p sub.* *ffmf* *cresc.*

Vln. 2 *ff* *p sub.* *ffmf* *cresc.*

Vla. *ff* *p sub.* *ffmf* *cresc.*

Vc. *ff* *p sub.* *ffmf* *cresc.*

Db. *pp* *ff*

pp *ff*

FL/Picc.
Ob.
Cl.
Bsn.

Hr.
Tpt.
Tbn.
Tba.
Timp.
Perc. (Susp. Cymbal, Bass Drum)

Vln. 1
Vln. 2
Vla.
Vc.
Db.

125

S

Fl./Pic. *ff* *f* *ff* *f* *ff*

Ob. *ff* *f* *ff* *f* *ff*

Cl. *ff* *f* *ff* *f* *ff*

Bsn. *ff* *f* *cresc.* *f* *cresc.*

Hn. *f* *ff* *ff* *ff*

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

Tbn. *ff* *f* *cresc.* *cresc.*

Tba. *f* *ff* *f* *ff*

Timp. *f* *ff* *ff* *ff*

Perc. (Bass Drum) *ff* *[Ratchet]* *p* *[Bass Drum]*

Vln. 1 *ff* *ffmf* *cresc.* *ffmf* *cresc.*

Vln. 2 *ff* *ffmf* *cresc.* *ffmf* *cresc.*

Vla. *ff* *ffmf* *cresc.* *ffmf* *cresc.*

Vc. *ff* *f* *cresc.* *f* *cresc.*

Db. *ff* *f* *cresc.* *f* *cresc.*

S

130 T (2,3) 24

FL/Picc. *f* *ff* *f* *ffmf* *ff*

Ob. *f* *ff* *f* *ffmf* *ff*

Cl. *f* *ff* *f* *ffmf* *ff*

Bsn. *ff* *f* *ff* *ffmf* *ff* *cresc.*

Hr. *ff* *p sub.*

Tpt. *f* *ff*

Tbn. *ff* *f* *cresc.*

Tba. *ff* *f* *cresc.*

Tim. *mf* *ffp* *ffp* *ffp*

Perc. (Bass Drum) *f* T *ff* *mf* *cresc.*

Vln. 1 *ff* *f* *ff* *f* *ff*

Vln. 2 *ff* *f* *ff* *f* *ff*

Vla. *ff* *f* *ff* *f* *ff*

Vc. *ff* *f* *ff* *f* *ff*

Db. *ff* *f* *ff* *f* *ff*

137

FL/Picc.

Ob.

Cl.

Bsn.

Hn.

Tpt.

Tbn.

Tba.

Temp.

Perc.

Vln. 1

Vln. 2

Vla.

Vc.

Db.

p *fp* *f* *pp*

p *fp* *f*

p *fp* *f*

ff *p sub.* *f* *pp*

p *ff* *ff* *f* *ff sub.* *f* *p sub.* *ff*

(Tom-toms) Susp. Cym. Tom-toms Susp. Cym. Tom-toms Susp. Cym.

p *p* *arco* *p*

arco *p*

146

FL/Picc. *p* *pp* *pp*

Ob.

Cl. *fp* *pp*

B. Cl. *pp*

Bsn.

Hn.

Tpt. *pp* *mp*

Tbn.

Tba. *p*

Timp.

Perc.

Vln. 1

Vln. 2 *pp*

Vla. *pp* s.p. ord.

Vc. *pp* *p* *pp* s.p. ord.

Db. *pp* *pizz.* *pp* s.p. ord.

pp

con sord. (harmon mute - stem in)

W

♩ = ♩ (♩ = 162)

FL/Picc.
Ob.
Cl.
B. Cl.
Bsn.

Hn.
Tpt.
Tbn.
Tba.
Timp.

con sord. (harmon mute - stem in)
pp p pp

Perc.

Wood Blocks
Whip
ff

W

♩ = ♩ (♩ = 162)

Vln. 1
Vln. 2
Vla.
Vc.
Db.

157 G.P.

Fl/Picc

Musical notation for Flute/Piccolo part, measures 157-160. Includes dynamics *p*, *fp*, *f*, and *pp*, and articulation marks like accents and slurs.

Ob

Musical notation for Oboe part, measures 157-160. Includes dynamics *fp*, *f*, *p*, and *pp*, and articulation marks.

Cl

Musical notation for Clarinet part, measures 157-160. Includes dynamics *fp*, *p*, *f*, and *f*.

B. Cl

Musical notation for Bass Clarinet part, measures 157-160. Includes dynamics *p*.

Bsn.

Musical notation for Bassoon part, measures 157-160. Includes dynamics *p*.

Hn

Musical notation for Horn part, measures 157-160. Includes dynamics *pp*, *p*, and *p*.

Tpt

Musical notation for Trumpet part, measures 157-160. Includes dynamics *pp*, *p*, and *p*.

Tbn

Musical notation for Trombone part, measures 157-160. Includes dynamics *pp*, *p*, and *p*.

Tba

Musical notation for Tuba part, measures 157-160. Includes dynamics *pp*, *p*, and *p*.

Timp

Musical notation for Timpani part, measures 157-160. Includes dynamics *p*.

Perc

Musical notation for Percussion part, measures 157-160. Includes dynamics *p* and *p*.

(Whip)

Finger Cymbal (mounted)

(Triangle beater)

G.P.

Vln. 1

Musical notation for Violin 1 part, measures 157-160.

Vln. 2

Musical notation for Violin 2 part, measures 157-160.

Vla

Musical notation for Viola part, measures 157-160.

Vc

Musical notation for Violoncello part, measures 157-160.

Db

Musical notation for Double Bass part, measures 157-160. Includes dynamics *pp sempre* and *arco*.

FL/Picc. *f* *p sub.* *f sub.* *pp* *f sub.* *p*

Ob. *f* *p sub.* *f sub.* *f* *f* *p*

Cl. *f* *p sub.* *f sub.* *pp* *f* *p*

B. Cl. *p* *f* *p sub.* *f sub.* *f* *ff*

Bsn. *ff*

Hn. *ff* senza sord. a 2

Tpt. *ff*

Tbn. *ff*

Tba. *ff*

Timp. *p*

Perc. **Wood Blocks** *ff* *p* *f sub.* *p sub.* *pp*

Vln. 1 *ff* *pizz.* *arco con sord. ff* *ppp*

Vln. 2 *ff* *pizz.* *arco con sord. ff* *ppp*

Vla. *ff* *pizz.* *arco con sord. ff* *ppp*

Vcl. *ff* *pizz.* *arco con sord. ff* *ppp*

Db. *ff* *ppp* *arco* *pp sempre*

Y

♩ = ♩ (♩ = 162)

169

Fl./Pic. *fp* *f* *p* *fp* *p* *pp*

Ob. *ff*

Cl. *ff* *f* *p*

B. Cl. *ff* *f* *pp*

Bsn. *ff*

Hr. *ff*

Tpt. *ff* senza sord.

Tbn. *ff*

Tba. *ff*

Timp. *ff* To Claves

Perc. Tam-tam *pp* Wood Blocks *ff sub.* Whip *ff*

Y

♩ = ♩ (♩ = 162)

Vln. 1 *tr*

Vln. 2 *tr* *p* *ff*

Vla. *tr* *p* *ff*

Vcl. *tr* *p* *ff*

Db. *p* *ff*

Z

♩ = ♩ (♩ = 81)

173

Fl./Picc.

Ob.

Cl.

B. Cl.

Bsn.

Hr.

Tpt.

Tbn.

Tba.

Timp.

Perc.

Claves

p

pp

ff

Z

♩ = ♩ (♩ = 81)

Vln. 1

Vln. 2

Vla.

Vc.

Db.

senza dim.!

senza dim.!