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for Orchestra



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Orchestra:

2 Flutes  
2 Oboes  
2 Clarinets in Bb  
2 Bassoons

4 Horns in F  
3 Trumpets in Bb  
2 Tenor Trombones  
Bass Trombone  
Tuba

Timpani (lowest with upturned cymbal on top) – 4 timps required

Percussion (2 Players)

Player 1 – Bass Drum (with rutes), Suspended Cymbal, Computer Keyboard\*  
Player 2 – Rain Stick, Anvil, Flexatone, Computer Keyboard\*

Harp

Piano (dbl. Computer Keyboard\*)

Strings  
(Minimum 14 12 10 8 6)

Score in C

Duration: c. 6 minutes

\*Any clunky PC Keyboard will suffice. The intention is for the player to rapidly press the keys as if ‘fake typing’ to allude to the soundscape of an office

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### **Composer's Note**

The need for being mindful of the implications of our actions on our home is something that is being urged with sincerity and care from many corners. The title of my piece is taken from Pope Francis' recent Encyclical on the matter; it is a title and an association that struck a chord.

The piece is something of a journey through time within its short duration, translating Bristol's (and, indeed, much of Britain's, and consequently, the developed world's) history, present and possible future into sound. All of the material comes from, in some way, the source folk song.

The first and longest section – a Pastorale – depicts a sort of unspoiled nature; gentle rainfall, bubbling water, birdsong, wind and a soaring rhapsodic melody combine to form a soundscape. This then becomes affected by industry and associated pollution; the landscape changes. This in turn becomes cleaner; the focus on manufacturing and heavy industry shifts towards information, digitization, renewable energy sources and so forth, which in turn recombines with a love for the natural world; achieving, eventually, a harmonious co-existence of comfortable modern life, and as much nature as can be preserved....

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## I - Pastorale

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**4 Moderately (but moving) ♩ = 84**

The musical score consists of ten staves of music. The top five staves include Flute I, II; Oboe I, II; Clarinet I in B♭; Clarinet II in B♭; Bassoon I; and Bassoon II. The middle five staves include Horn I, II in F; Horn III, IV in F; Trumpet I in B♭; Trumpet II, III in B♭; Trombone I, II; Bass Trombone; and Tuba. The bottom two staves are Percussion I and Percussion II. Percussion I uses bass drum with switch beaters (rutes) and rain stick. Percussion II uses a continuous eighth-note pattern. The Harp and Piano staves are also present but remain silent throughout the section.

**4 Moderately (but moving) ♩ = 84**

The musical score consists of five staves for the lower strings: Violin I, Violin II, Viola, Violoncello, and Double Bass. All instruments play eighth-note patterns. The dynamic instruction "col legno batt." appears above the violins and viola. The dynamic "mf" appears above the violoncello and double bass. The tempo "♩ = 84" is indicated at the beginning of this section.

A

Fl. I, II

Ob. I, II

Cl. I

Cl. II

Bsn. I

Bsn. II

Hn. I, II

Hn. III, IV

Tpt. I

Tpt. II, III

Tbn. I, II

B. Tbn.

Tba.

Timp.

Perc. I

Perc. II

Pno.

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

D. B.

**Part A:** Measures 11-12. Flutes II play eighth-note patterns. Oboes II play eighth-note patterns. Clarinets I play eighth-note patterns with dynamic *mf*. Clarinets II play eighth-note patterns with dynamic *mf*. Bassoon I plays eighth-note patterns with dynamic *mf*, labeled "(clunky trill)". Bassoon II plays eighth-note patterns with dynamic *mf*. Horns I, II and III, IV remain silent. Trombones I, II, and III remain silent. Bassoon I, Trombone I, Trombone II, Bass Trombone, and Double Bass remain silent. Timpani remains silent. Percussion I and Percussion II play eighth-note patterns. Piano remains silent.

**Part A':** Measures 13-14. Violin I, Violin II, Viola, Cello, and Double Bass play sixteenth-note patterns. Dynamic *p* poco delicato no ped. is indicated. Tratto, trem. is indicated. Batt. is indicated. Violin I, Violin II, Viola, Cello, and Double Bass play sixteenth-note patterns. Dynamic *p* poco delicato no ped. is indicated. Tratto, trem. is indicated. Batt. is indicated.





**D**

Fl. I, II  
Ob. I, II  
Cl. I  
Cl. II  
Bsn. I  
Bsn. II

Hn. I, II  
Hn. III, IV  
Tpt. I  
*f espr. and rhapsodic*  
Tpt. II, III  
*III con sord. (straight)*  
*f espr. and rhapsodic*  
Tbn. I, II  
B. Tbn.  
Tba.  
Timp.

Perc. I  
Perc. II

Hp.  
play octaves if able; prioritise the top notes

Pno.  
*mf*  
light pedalling

Vln. I  
*mp*  
*mf*  
*mp*  
*mf*  
*mp*  
*mf*

Vln. II  
*mp arco, ord.*  
*mf*  
*mp*  
*mf*  
*mp*  
*mf*

Vla.  
*mp*  
*mf*  
*div.*  
*mf*  
*mp*  
*mf*

Vc.  
*mp arco, ord.*  
*mf*  
*div.*  
*mf*  
*mp*  
*mf*

Db.  
*mf*

Fl. I, II

Ob. I, II

Cl. I

Cl. II

Bsn. I

Bsn. II

Hn. I, II

Hn. III, IV

Tpt. I

Tpt. II, III

Tbn. I, II

B. Tbn.

Tba.

Timp.

Perc. I

Perc. II

Hp.

Pno.

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

Db.

Fl. I

Fl. II

Ob. I

Ob. II

Cl. I

Cl. II

Bsn. I

Bsn. II

Hn. I, II

Hn. III, IV

Tpt. I

Tpt. II, III

Tbn. I, II

B. Tbn.

Tba.

Timp.

Perc. I

Perc. II

Hp.

Pno.

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

D. b.



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Fl. I

Fl. II

Ob. I

Ob. II

Cl. I

Cl. II

Bsn. I

Bsn. II

Hn. I, II

Hn. III, IV

Tpt. I

Tpt. II, III

Tbn. I, II

B. Tbn.

Tba.

Timp.

Perc. I

Perc. II

Hp.

Pno.

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

Db.

Musical score for orchestra and piano, page 10, measures 53-6. The score includes parts for Flute I, II; Oboe I, II; Clarinet I; Clarinet II; Bassoon I; Bassoon II; Horn I, II; Horn III, IV; Trumpet I; Trumpet II, III; Trombone I, II; Bass Trombone; Tuba; Timpani; Percussion I; Percussion II; Harp; Piano; Violin I; Violin II; Cello; Double Bass; and Trombones.

The score shows various dynamics and performance instructions such as *mf*, *3*, *ffz*, *f*, *p*, *sfz*, *sf*, *flz.*, *f < ff*, *sfz*, *sffz*, *8va sfz*, *unis.*, *pizz.*, and *pizz. 8va*.

Measure 53: Flute I, II play eighth-note patterns with *mf*. Oboe I, II play eighth-note patterns with *mf*. Clarinet I plays eighth-note patterns with *3*. Clarinet II plays eighth-note patterns with *mf*. Bassoon I and Bassoon II play eighth-note patterns with *mf*. Horn I, II play eighth-note patterns with *ffz*. Horn III, IV play eighth-note patterns with *ffz*. Trumpet I remains silent. Trumpet II, III play eighth-note patterns with *ffz*. Trombone I, II play eighth-note patterns with *ffz*. Bass Trombone plays eighth-note patterns with *ffz*. Tuba plays eighth-note patterns with *ffz*. Timpani play eighth-note patterns with *ffz* and *p*. Percussion I and Percussion II play eighth-note patterns with *sfz*. Harp plays eighth-note patterns. Piano plays eighth-note patterns. Violin I and Violin II play eighth-note patterns with *unis.* and *f*. Cello plays eighth-note patterns with *unis.* and *f*. Double Bass plays eighth-note patterns with *f*. Trombones play eighth-note patterns with *6*.

Measure 6: Flute I, II play eighth-note patterns with *6*. Oboe I, II play eighth-note patterns with *6*. Clarinet I plays eighth-note patterns with *6*. Clarinet II plays eighth-note patterns with *6*. Bassoon I and Bassoon II play eighth-note patterns with *6*. Horn I, II play eighth-note patterns with *ffz*. Horn III, IV play eighth-note patterns with *ffz*. Trumpet I remains silent. Trumpet II, III play eighth-note patterns with *ffz*. Trombone I, II play eighth-note patterns with *ffz*. Bass Trombone plays eighth-note patterns with *ffz*. Tuba plays eighth-note patterns with *ffz*. Timpani play eighth-note patterns with *ffz* and *p*. Percussion I and Percussion II play eighth-note patterns with *sfz*. Harp plays eighth-note patterns. Piano plays eighth-note patterns. Violin I and Violin II play eighth-note patterns with *unis.* and *f*. Cello plays eighth-note patterns with *unis.* and *f*. Double Bass plays eighth-note patterns with *f*. Trombones play eighth-note patterns with *6*.



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Fl. I, II

Ob. I, II

Cl. I

Cl. II

Bsn. I

Bsn. II

Hn. I, II

Hn. III, IV

Tpt. I

Tpt. II, III

Tbn. I, II

B. Tbn.

Tba.

Timp.

Perc. I

Perc. II

Hp.

Pno.

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

Db.

## II - Industry

# F Lo stesso tempo

**F Lo stesso tempo**

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Fl. I, II

Ob. I, II

Cl. I, II

Bsn. I, II

Hn. I, II

Hn. III, IV

Tpt. I

Tpt. II, III

Tbn. I, II

B. Tbn.

Tba.

Timp.

Perc. I

Perc. II

Hp.

Pno.

2  
4  
3  
4

# F <sup>8/oo</sup> Lo stesso tempo

7 4

Vln. I (non snap) 3 3 3 3 3 3 arco 6 gliss. 3 pizz. 3 3

Vln. II (non snap) 3 3 3 3 3 3 arco 6 gliss. 3 pizz. 3 3

Vla. (non snap) 3 3 3 3 3 3 arco 6 (sul D) gliss. 3 pizz. 3 3

Vc. (non snap) 3 3 3 3 3 3 arco 6 (sul A) gliss. 3 pizz. 3 3

Db. ff 3 3 3 3 3 3 - 3 3

14

**3**

**4**

Fl. I, II

Ob. I, II

Cl. I, II

Bsn. I, II

Hn. I, II

Hn. III, IV

Tpt. I

Tpt. II, III

Tbn. I, II

B. Tbn.

Tba.

Tim.

Perc. I

Perc. II

Hp.

Pno.

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

D. B.



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**3**

Fl. I, II

Ob. I, II

Cl. I, II

Bsn. I, II

Hn. I, II

Hn. III, IV

Tpt. I

Tpt. II, III

Tbn. I, II

B. Tbn.

Tba.

Timp.

Perc. I

Perc. II

Hp.

Pno.

**2**

Fl. I, II

Ob. I, II

Cl. I, II

Bsn. I, II

Hn. I, II

Hn. III, IV

Tpt. I

Tpt. II, III

Tbn. I, II

B. Tbn.

Tba.

Timp.

Perc. I

Perc. II

Hp.

Pno.

**4**

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

Db.

III

## **G Lo stesso tempo**

# G Lo stesso tempo

**4** *div.*  
**4** *gliss.*

**H**

Vln. I

*fff*

Vln. II

*fff*  
*div. >*

Vla.

*fff*  
*div. >*  
*gliss.*

Vc.

*fff*  
*gliss. >*

Db.

*fff arco, div. (sul G)*

Fl. I, II

Ob. I, II

Cl. I, II

Bsn. I, II

Hn. I, II

Hn. III, IV

Tpt. I

Tpt. II, III

Tbn. I, II

B. Tbn.

Tba.

Timp.

Perc. I

Perc. II

Hp.

Pno.

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

Db.





Fl. I, II

Ob. I, II

Cl. I, II

Bsn. I, II

Hn. I, II

Hn. III, IV

Tpt. I

Tpt. II, III

Tbn. I, II

B. Tbn.

Tba.

Tim.

Perc. I

Perc. II

Pno.

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

D. B.

**k Lo stesso tempo**

IV

22

Fl. I, II

Ob. I, II

Cl. I, II

Bsn. I, II

Hn. I, II

Hn. III, IV

Tpt. I

Tpt. II, III

Tbn. I, II

B. Tbn.

Tba.

Timp.

Perc. I

Perc. II

Pno.

93

*mf* — *f*

*f*

*f*

*mf*

*mf*

*f*

*f*

*f*

*mf*

*f*

*f*

*mf*

*f*

*f*

*mf*

*ff*

*ff*

(computer keyboard)

**Lo stesso tempo****K**

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

Db.

*f*

*f*

*f*

*f*

*f*

Fl. I, II

Ob. I, II

Cl. I, II

Bsn. I, II

Hn. I, II

Hn. III, IV

Tpt. I

Tpt. II, III

Tbn. I, II

B. Tbn.

Tba.

Timp.

Perc. I

Perc. II

Pno.

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

D. B.





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Fl. I, II  
Ob. I, II  
Cl. I  
Cl. II  
Bsn. I, II  
Hn. I, II  
Hn. III, IV  
Tpt. I  
Tpt. II, III  
Tbn. I, II  
B. Tbn.  
Tba.  
Timp.  
Perc. I  
Perc. II  
Hp.  
Pno.  
Vln. I  
Vln. II  
Vla.  
Vc.  
Db.

Fl. I, II  
Ob. I, II  
Cl. I  
Cl. II  
Bsn. I, II  
Hn. I, II  
Hn. III, IV  
Tpt. I  
Tpt. II  
Tpt. III  
Tbn. I, II  
B. Tbn.  
Tba.  
Timp.  
Perc. I  
Perc. II  
Hp.  
Pno.  
Vln. I  
Vln. II  
Vla.  
Vc.  
Db.

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Fl. I, II

Ob. I, II

Cl. I

Cl. II

Bsn. I, II

Hn. I, II

Hn. III, IV

Tpt. I

Tpt. II

Tpt. III

Tbn. I, II

B. Tbn.

Tba.

Timp.

Perc. I

Perc. II

Hp.

Pno.

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

Db.

O

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Fl. I, II

Ob. I, II

Cl. I

Cl. II

Bsn. I, II

Hn. I, II

Hn. III, IV

Tpt. I

Tpt. II

Tpt. III

Tbn. I, II

B. Tbn.

Tba.

Timp.

Perc. I

Perc. II

Hp.

Pno.

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

Db.

**Measure 118:** Fl. I, II, Ob. I, II, Cl. I, Cl. II, Bsn. I, II, Hn. I, II, Hn. III, IV, Tpt. I, Tpt. II, Tpt. III, Tbn. I, II, B. Tbn., Tba., Timp., Perc. I, Perc. II, Hp., Pno.

**Measure 29:** Vln. I, Vln. II, Vla., Vc., Db.