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Subtraction Melody

for Clarinet in Bb solo

SCORE

Commissioned by the
PSAPPHA Ensemble

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Programme note

The inspiration for this piece originally came during my compulsory military service in Greece back in 2014. It was a Sunday afternoon after my shift when I had the idea to use the Selective Subtraction method in melodic lines. However, nothing was written on paper until the project of Psappha “Composing for Clarinet” project arose. The clarinet, with its agility and distinctive tone quality, was the perfect means to create the patterns I had been mentally working on for almost two years.

Duration: approx. 7'

Score transposed

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$\text{♩} = 60$

The sheet music for 'Subtraction Melody' for Clarinet in Bb solo is composed of 16 staves of music. The key signature varies throughout the piece, including G major (no sharps or flats), F# major (one sharp), E major (two sharps), D major (one sharp), C major (no sharps or flats), B major (one sharp), A major (two sharps), and G major (no sharps or flats). The time signature also changes frequently, including 4/4, 3/4, and 2/4.

Dynamics and performance instructions include:

- Staff 1: p
- Staff 3: $ff_{sub.}$, $p_{sub.}$
- Staff 5: A , $ff_{sub.}$, $p_{sub.}$, $ff_{sub.}$, $p_{sub.}$
- Staff 7: $ff_{sub.}$, $p_{sub.}$
- Staff 9: $ff_{sub.}$, $p_{sub.}$, $ff_{sub.}$, $p_{sub.}$
- Staff 11: $ff_{sub.}$, $p_{sub.}$
- Staff 13: $ff_{sub.}$, $p_{sub.}$
- Staff 15: $ff_{sub.}$, $p_{sub.}$

Other markings include grace notes, slurs, and various accidentals such as sharps and flats.

16

ff sub.

p sub.

17

ff sub.

p sub.

f sub.

p sub.

19

f sub.

p

f sub.

p sub.

f sub.

mp sub.

B

22

Rubato

p sub.

pp

27

18

pp

ffff

$\text{♩} = 60$

29

pp

C

31

f

p sub.

f sub.

p sub.

33

f sub.

p sub.

f sub.

p sub.

35

f sub.

p sub.

f

37

5

5

5

5

5

5

39

5

5

5

5

5

5

41

5

pp

fff

D

d = 110

43

ff

45

5

5

5

5

5

5

47

5

5

5

5

5

5

49

5

5

5

5

5

5

51

ff sub.

f sub.

E

53

f_{sub.}

ff_{sub.}

55

f_{sub.}

ff_{sub.}

f_{sub.}

57

ff_{sub.}

f_{sub.}

ff_{sub.}

59

f_{sub.}

ff_{sub.}

f_{sub.}

ff_{sub.}

61

f_{sub.}

ff_{sub.}

63

f_{sub.}

ff_{sub.}

F

65

ff_{sub.}

67

ff_{sub.}

69

ff_{sub.}

71

73

75

77

G

79

81

83

85

H

87

90

>*p*

92

ff sub.

94

I

96

p

98

ff

p

100

ff

mp sub.

ff sub.

mp sub.

ff sub.

102

sff

104

sff

p

J

107

ff

mp sub.

109