

Continuities

for Woodwind Quintet

2012
ca. 4:00

Program Notes

Continuities is a short, quirky little piece. Moments of extreme stasis are juxtaposed with flurries of activity, creating a herky-jerky push and pull of momentum. Despite the blockiness of the music, there are small lines that tie the instruments together into a unified fabric, and there are longer trajectories that bind the disjunct sections into a deeply bound whole. In particular, it is possible to trace one important path weaving from the bassoon tones at the opening upward through the ensemble to the closing flute solo.

Performance Notes

- Meters are given for rehearsal purposes only. No special stress should be given to particular beats based on meter.
- In unmetred sections, dashed lines indicate places where entrance cues may need to be given and cue numbers are given above the top staff in the score. Once an instrument enters in such a situation (m. 3 for example), its music no longer has to align perfectly with the other parts. This particularly applies to figures with feathered beams.
- In unmetred sections, stemless noteheads followed by solid horizontal lines indicate notes held for an indeterminate length. The proportions of the lines give a general sense of how long the notes should be held.



As fast as possible



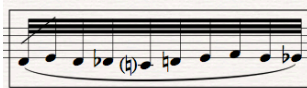
Short Fermata



Medium Fermata



Long Fermata



Repeat the boxed figure for the duration
of the thick black line

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Flute

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Extremely Slow and Very Free ca. ♩ = 44

Bsn.
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3

accel.

① ② ③ ④ ⑤

M

ff **f**

4

a tempo (ca. ♩ = 44) **accel.** **rit.** **a tempo (ca. ♩ = 44)**

Bsn.

n *f*

6

8 2 3

13

poco rit. **flz.** **flz.** **flz.** **16** **a tempo (ca. ♩ = 44)**

p 2

18 accel.

pp

22 **Playful** ♩ = 60 accel.

ff

28 airy

ppp *ppp*

Uncomfortably long
airy

30

ppp

31 **Suddenly Forceful** ♩ = 96

36 ad lib key clicks and air sounds

41 ad lib key clicks and air sounds

f possible *p* *f possible*

a tempo (♩ = 116), **molto rit.** ..

59

f

5

3

7

5

3

3/4

Suddenly flying!

62

mp

p *pp*

ffff