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## LivingToys



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Duration: 17 minutes

## INSTRUMENTATION

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flute = piccolo
oboe = cor anglais + sopranino recorder
clarinet in }\textrm{Bb}=\textrm{Eb}\mathrm{ clarinet + bass clarinet
bassoon = contrabassoon
hom = whip
trumpet in Bb = piccolo trumpet in Bb
trombone
percussion (1 player)
    3 gongs
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2 crotales
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``` (with bow), talking drum, triangle,
2 suspended cymbals: small and very small, suspended sheet of paper (A3 to A4, struck centrally with side drum beater*), 2 cowbells: medium high and very high, 2 temple blocks: medium and high, guero, castanets, piccolo snare drum, field drum (deep, with snares), kit bass drum, vibraslap.
* Paper must be fastened securely and be tough enough to withstand repeated strokes. Ossia. pile of newspaper crudely folded and placed flat on a hard chair.
piano
2 violins
viola
violoncello
double bass (with C extension)**
** Ossias are written for double bass without 5 strings
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## Score in C

Instrumental parts available on hire from the publishers

## PERFORMANCE NOTES

The hom has a number of soli requiring certain partials flatter or sharper than the equivalent pitches on the keyboard. In these instances the score indicates the fundamental pitch (by letter name) from which these notes are to be obtained.

The 'talking trumpet' technique is notated using symbols from the International Phonetic Alphabet:

| Vowels: | $i=\underline{e c}$ as in seed |
| :---: | :---: |
|  | $1=\underline{i}$ as in slid |
|  | $a$ = $\mathrm{a}_{\text {as }}$ in palm |
|  | $\wedge=\underline{u}$ as in mud |
|  | $\varepsilon=\underline{e}$ as in sled |
| Diphthongs: | ar $=\underline{\mathrm{i}}$ as in pile |
|  | eI $=$ aí as in pail |
|  | au = ou as in out |
| Consonants: | $\mathrm{d}=\underline{\mathrm{d}}$ as in do |
|  | 1 = $\underline{1}$ as in love |
|  | $t=\underline{t a s}$ in to |
|  | j = y as in you |

Mutes: When 'felt hat', 'hand', or 'harmon mute' are indicated for trumpet and trombone, the symbol + denotes 'cover bell with hat/hand', or with harmon mute 'cover end of mute with hand'; the symbol o denotes the opposite.

Trombone: a cross through the stem of the note denotes a smacking sound (for example, blow 'ft' into mouthpiece).

Clarinet and bassoon: a cross through the stem of the note denotes a smacking sound (smack lips against reed).

Double bass and cello: a slur over pizzicato notes means only the first note should be plucked. Glissando between the notes where marked. Finger each note separately where 'non glissando' is indicated. A cross through the stem of the note at the end of a pizzicato slur indicates a left hand slap.

CONDUCTOR'S NOTES:
The first movement is 'in one'; square-bracketed arabic numerals indicate suggested subdivisions where ensemble might require them.

Time signatures with / 6 or /i2 denote quantities of single triplet subdivisions of the beat, e.g. b. 330

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When they asked him what he wanted to be, the boy did not name any of the men's occupations, as they had all hoped he would, but replied: 'I am going to be a hero, and dance with angels and bulls, and fight with bulls and soldiers, and die a hero in a distant place, and be buried a hero.' Hearing this child's words, the men felt small, understanding that they were not heroes, and that their lives were less substantial than the dreams which surrounded him like toys.

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VIn. I
VIn. II
va.
vc.



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6



E

VIn. I

VIn. II

Vla.

Vc.



Vln. 1

Vln. II



VIn. I

VIn. II



Vin. 1



Hn .



Pno.


Vin. I

Vin. II

Vla.

Vc.



H

VIn. I

In. II

Va.




Cb .


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Vin. I

VIn. II

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.


Hn .
Picc. Tpt.

Perc.

Pno.

L

Vln. I

VIn. II

Vla.



Pno.

(Ped.)

VIn. I

Vin. II


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Perc.

VIn. I

VIn. II

Vla .
V.

Cb .



P
F.


Hn.



Vln I

VIn. II

Vla.



Q


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Hn.

Picc. Tpt.


Perc.


Vin. 1

VIn. II

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.


F.

Ob.
B. Cl .

Bsn.


Perc.


Pno.

F.

Ob.


Perc.

Pno.


U

VIn. I

Vh. II


Fl.


Hn .


Perc.


Vin. I

VIn. II




F1.


Hn.

Picc. Tpt.

Tbn.



Pno.


Vln. 1

F.


Hn.

Picc.Tpt



Pno.


Y

VIn. I

VIn. II

Va .

Vc.

Cb .


Z Poch. allarg. $\quad-\quad d=60$
F.
ob.
B. Cl.


Hn .

Picc. Tpt.


Perc.


Pno.


Z Poch. allarg. $\quad, \quad J=60$
"Vln.1, Vln.2, Vla.: (quasi) con una dita sola al "Balert"; turti molto cantabile

Vln. 1

VIn. II



Fl.


Hn.

Picc.Tpt.

Tbn.


Perc.


A1

Vln 1

Vh. II

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.



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BALETT
F.
C.A.


Hn .
B. Cl .
Bsn.


Perc.


Pno.


VIn. I

VIn. II



B1

Vin. I

Vln. II


Va.

Vc.

Cb.

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F.


Hn .


Perc.


VIn. I

VIn. II

Vla .


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F1


F1

Vn. 1

Vin. II

Vha.

Vc.

Cb.

*B. Cl. note: this note is on the insurument. No alternasive pitch should be played. If the note is 200 unrelisble it is betuer to omir it.

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G1

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VIn. I

VIn. II

Va.

Vc.

Cb.




I1


I1

Vin . I

Vin. II


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J1
Pice.



Hn.

Perc.
Picc. Tpt.

Pno.

Vln. I
VIn. II



Pice.
K1


Hn .

Picc.Tpt.


Pno.


VIn. I

Vin. II

Vla.



IV H.A.L.'s Death

Picc.


Hn .

Picc. Tpt,

Perc.
Tbn.

$=50$ Tutti molto dolce sempre (tutte le note); sostenutissimo

Vin. I

VIn. II

Va.


- FERMATA: ad lib. (only if rumpet and bassoon need time to change instruments)

L1

Pice.


Hn.


Perc.


L1

Vin. I

Vln. II


Picc.

Ob.
B. Cl.


Hn.


Perc.


Pno.
Tpt.

Tbn.


Vin. I

VIn. II


Hn.

Perc.

VIn. I
VIn. II




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BATTLE

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R1

Fl.


Picc.Tpt.


R1

Vin. I

VIn. II

VIa.




T1


T1

VIn. I

VIn. II



Ob.
cl.
Bsn.



Vn. I


V1


Hn .

Picc.Tpt.



Pno.


V1

VIn. I

Vin. II




Vn.

Vin. II


Picc.


Hn .


Perc.


Vin. 1

Vin. II




Picc.


1 I

Hn .

Picc.Tpt.


Perc.





Vln. I

VIn. II

Vla.







Hn .


VIn. I

VIn. II

Vla.








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F2


Hn.


Perc.


Tpt. (B)

Tbn.


Vin. I

VIn. II

Vla.
ve.
cb.

## F2





VIn. I

VIn. II

Vla.

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H2




TABLET

## $d=42$ troppo dolce, quasi semplice, spettrale



Hn .


Perc.

$d=42$ troppo dolce, quasi semplice, spettrale

Vin. I

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