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INSTRUMENTATION

Conductor Score
B \flat Trumpet 1
B \flat Trumpet 2
F Horn
Trombone
Tuba

PROGRAM NOTE

Imagine a sinister character moving quickly from one location to another causing a ruckus everywhere he goes. His motif, the four consecutive sixteenth notes, relentlessly pursues us while accompanied by a flowing melodic line. At times, the rhythmic background contains harmonic dissonance giving all a very unsettling feeling.

NOTES TO THE QUINTET

Sinister Sam should be a fast-paced race to the end for the members of the ensemble. There are a few moments that allow the energy to slow. However, the tempo picks back up and continues forward in a very aggressive manner.

Pay close attention to the passing of melodic ideas as you rehearse the piece. It is important to make sure the ensemble understands the varying rhythms in sections such as measure 12 where the rhythmic background passes between parts.

I wish you and the quintet a spectacular and sinister performance!

ABOUT THE COMPOSER



Charles Mekealian is a freelance music composer and a musician in the United States Marine Corps. Mr. Mekealian was raised in Sanger, California and marched with the Santa Clara Vanguard and Vanguard Cadets Drum and Bugle Corps inspiring his career in music composition. Mr. Mekealian studied music at Fresno City College and graduated from the Basic Musicians Course at the Naval School of Music in 2010.

Mr. Mekealian began arranging music for marching, concert and show band after graduating high school in 2005. In 2007 he composed a performance chorale for the Santa Clara Vanguard Cadets that was performed at Drum Corps International Championships. From 2009 to 2012, Mr. Mekealian arranged and composed several field shows for the Sanger High School Apache Marching Band from Sanger, California. He has also composed and arranged multiple works for the Marine Corps Bands in which he served. His most notable piece is an arrangement of "Mi Chiamano, Mimi", by Giacomo Puccini, for the Marine Corps Band New Orleans "Spirit of Rebirth" concerts to commemorate the 10 year mark of the devastation caused by Hurricane Katrina.

Currently, Mr. Mekealian resides with his family in New Orleans, Louisiana where he serves as a musician with Marine Corps Band New Orleans. He is the ensemble leader and staff arranger for the Marine Corps Band New Orleans Brass Quintet. The Brass Quintet travels across the country performing many of his works for music students as well as military and civilian ceremonies.

SINISTER SAM

♩ = 180

B \flat Trumpet 1
mp

B \flat Trumpet 2
mp

F Horn

Trombone

Tuba

2 3 4

B \flat Trpt. 1

B \flat Trpt. 2
mp

F Hn.
mp

Tbn.
mp

Tuba
mp

5 6 7 8

9

B \flat Trpt. 1
mp *fp*

B \flat Trpt. 2
mp

F Hn.

Tbn.
mf

Tuba
mf

9 10 11 12

13 14 15 16

B \flat Trpt. 1 *f* *p*

B \flat Trpt. 2 *fp* *f* *p*

F Hn. *f* *fp* *f* *p*

Tbn. *f* *p*

Tuba *f* *p*

17 18 19 20

B \flat Trpt. 1 *f* *mp*

B \flat Trpt. 2 *f*

F Hn. *f* *mp*

Tbn. *f* *mp*

Tuba *f* *mp*

21 22 23 24 25

B \flat Trpt. 1

B \flat Trpt. 2

F Hn.

Tbn.

Tuba

B \flat Trpt. 1

B \flat Trpt. 2

F Hn.

Tbn.

Tuba

mp

26 27 28 29 30

31

B \flat Trpt. 1

B \flat Trpt. 2

F Hn.

Tbn.

Tuba

f

fp

f

31 32 33 34

36

B \flat Trpt. 1

B \flat Trpt. 2

F Hn.

Tbn.

Tuba

mp

f

mp

f

mp

mf

mp

f

35 36 37 38 39

B \flat Trpt. 1
B \flat Trpt. 2
F Hn.
Tbn.
Tuba

B \flat Trpt. 1
B \flat Trpt. 2
F Hn.
Tbn.
Tuba

B \flat Trpt. 1
B \flat Trpt. 2
F Hn.
Tbn.
Tuba

B \flat Trpt. 1

B \flat Trpt. 2

F Hn.

Tbn.

Tuba

53 54 55 56

f

f

f

f

f

B \flat Trpt. 1

B \flat Trpt. 2

F Hn.

Tbn.

Tuba

57 58 59 60

mp

mp

mp

mp

mp

p

p

p

p

62

B \flat Trpt. 1

B \flat Trpt. 2

F Hn.

Tbn.

Tuba

61 62 63 64

p

B \flat Trpt. 1 *f*

B \flat Trpt. 2 *f*

F Hn. *f*

Tbn. *f*

Tuba *f*

65 66 67 68

B \flat Trpt. 1 *f* 71 *p*

B \flat Trpt. 2 *f* *p* *mp*

F Hn. *f* *mp* *p*

Tbn.

Tuba *p*

69 70 71 72

B \flat Trpt. 1 *pp* *mp*

B \flat Trpt. 2 *pp* *mp*

F Hn. *pp* *mp*

Tbn. *p* *pp*

Tuba *pp*

73 74 75 76

77

B \flat Trpt. 1 *mp*

B \flat Trpt. 2 *mp*

F Hn.

Tbn.

Tuba

77 78 79 80

B \flat Trpt. 1 *mp*

B \flat Trpt. 2 *mp*

F Hn. *mp*

Tbn. *mp*

Tuba *mp*

81 82 83 84

85

B \flat Trpt. 1 *mp* *fp*

B \flat Trpt. 2 *mp*

F Hn.

Tbn. *mf*

Tuba *mf*

85 86 87 88

89 90 91 92

B \flat Trpt. 1 *f* *p*

B \flat Trpt. 2 *fp* *f* *p*

F Hn. *f* *fp* *f* *p*

Tbn. *f* *p*

Tuba *f* *p*

93 94 95 96

B \flat Trpt. 1 *f* *mp*

B \flat Trpt. 2 *f*

F Hn. *f* *mp*

Tbn. *f* *mp*

Tuba *f* *mp*

97 98 99 100

B \flat Trpt. 1

B \flat Trpt. 2 *mp*

F Hn.

Tbn.

Tuba

B \flat Trpt. 1

B \flat Trpt. 2

F Hn.

Tbn.

Tuba

mp

101 102 103 104

107

B \flat Trpt. 1

B \flat Trpt. 2

F Hn.

Tbn.

Tuba

f

105 106 107 108 109

B \flat Trpt. 1

B \flat Trpt. 2

F Hn.

Tbn.

Tuba

110 111 112 113

116

B \flat Trpt. 1

B \flat Trpt. 2

F Hn.

Tbn.

Tuba

114

115

116

117

mp

p

p

121

B \flat Trpt. 1

B \flat Trpt. 2

F Hn.

Tbn.

Tuba

118

119

120

121

p

f

p

f

p

f

B \flat Trpt. 1

B \flat Trpt. 2

F Hn.

Tbn.

Tuba

122

123

124

125

p

f

p

f

p

f

p

f