

commissioned by and dedicated to that hard-rock bassoonist and all-around good guy, Doug Spaniol

" . . . and so the hole was dug"

a cautionary tale for bassoon and the increasingly misnamed medium known as tape

Frank Felice

Quickly! (♩ = 132) Madness?!!

gank chord --

echo from ratchet

Tape

Bassoon

sfz

fff

♩ = 96

the rude awakening seems to fade into oblivion

Tape

Bsn.

4

3

6

Tape

Bsn.

8

3

6

ff

ca. 0'31" Wait for a bit; catch your breath

Tape

Bsn.

12

6

long, high notes

ca. 30"

ca. 1'05" Lyrically -- very DEEP, meaningful ca. ♩ = 72

Tape

Bsn. 15

legato, try to blend into the tape part

n. *pp*

1'41" ♩ = 96 Another Rude Awakening

Tape

Bsn. 21

ff *fff*

Tape

Bsn. 26

n. *p*

3

Tape

Bsn. 31

"ghostly" bassoon lick

f

faster "mocking" bassoon

2'19"

tail of ghost bassoon backwards voice

cymbal crash

metronome

Tape

Bsn. 36

p

pp

p

legato --

Frank's mouth

metronome

Tape

Bsn. 44

3

3

ca. 2'45" ♩ = 96
Der Über Bassoon!!!

The Son of Madness

Tape

Bsn. 50

fff

angrily, with an edge --

3

"or this sound"

Tape

Bsn. 54

6

sfz

3

3

3

Tape

Bsn. 58

6

loud, coarse!!

f *fff* *f*

Tape

Bsn. 62

Thwack!!!

Der Über Bassoon!!!

ff *fff* *fff*

absolutely in time with Der Über Bassoon

3'21" The Über Bassoon Commands! (L'stesso)

Tape

Bsn. 66

mf

resist the Überbassoon -- lyrical, then playful!

Tape

Bsn. 71

3

4'02" Exit of Der Über Bassoon

77

timid bassoon-wannabe Frampton for bassoon

relax, have a homebrew....

83

out 'o tune ghostly bassoon

ca. 4'24"

Heavy Rock Guitar-Bassoon
Shades of Der Über Bassoon ...

88

n. *pp*

94

3 3

3

The iNsistaNt METro GNomE!

Tape

Bsn. 100

cheeky --

3

Detailed description: This system shows the beginning of a piece. The top staff is labeled 'Tape' and contains rests. The bottom staff is labeled 'Bsn.' and starts at measure 100. It features a melodic line in bass clef with various notes, including a triplet of eighth notes marked with a '3' below it. The piece changes time signatures from 5/4 to 4/4.

ca. 5'12"
return of the timid bassoon-wannabe

Tape

Bsn. 104

3

Detailed description: This system continues the bassoon part from measure 104. The top staff is labeled 'Tape' and contains rests. The bottom staff is labeled 'Bsn.' and features a melodic line in bass clef with a triplet of eighth notes marked with a '3' below it. The piece concludes with a double bar line.

Shades of Der Über Bassoon ...

Über Bassoon cont.

Tape

Bsn. 109

8^{vb}

Detailed description: This system shows two parts. The top staff is labeled 'Tape' and contains a melodic line in treble clef with various notes and rests. The bottom staff is labeled 'Bsn.' and contains rests. A dynamic marking of '8^{vb}' is placed between the staves. The piece changes time signatures from 7/8 to 3/4 to 4/4.

random solitary bells-sounds.....

brief return of high notes

Tape

Bsn. 115

Detailed description: This system shows two parts. The top staff is labeled 'Tape' and contains rests. The bottom staff is labeled 'Bsn.' and contains rests. The piece changes time signatures from 4/4 to 3/4 to 4/4.

random solitary bells-sounds.....

near silence; a last few bells . . . then:

ca. 6'00"

121

fff

The Return of the Son of Madness (♩ = 132)

♩ = 96

129

fff

gank!!!!

133

sffz

3

Doug as The Metro-Gnome

The iNsistaNt MEtro GNomE strikes back!!!!

136

sffz

3

sffz

sffz

sffz

Lots of Confusion: bassoons ratchets laughter . . . growing in intensity!

Tape

Bsn. 141

mp *ff*

backwards messages . . . reverse cymbals . . . squeals . . .

Tape

Bsn. 144

mf *ff*

a general mish-mash, and yet it seems the Über Bassoon has gone underground . . .

but wait . . .

Tape

Bsn. 147

sffz *fff* *mf*

You'll want to be turning that page now; don't wait, otherwise you will find that your place in the score is going to become a difficult one.

However, if you have read this far, perhaps we might discuss a new career for you, perhaps as a musicologist, since you seem to be interested in footnotes.

Heavy Rock Guitar-Bassoon

Tape

Bsn. 151

fff *mf* *fff*

3 3 3 3

(Der Überbassoon's underground position is making itself known, insistent!)

Tape

Bsn. 154

6 3

Key Clack Panic of 1929

Tape

Bsn. 158

3 3 3 6

ca. 7'28" crazed bassoon! Thwack!!! "sorry --"

Tape

Bsn. 162

fff

6

2/6/2001

fff