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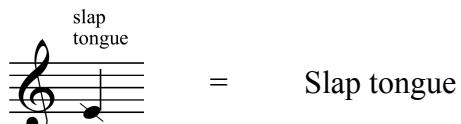
March 2013	Performance by Johan van der Linden at Centro de Artes Musicales Santa Secilia de Foios, Valencia, Spain.
February 2013	Performance by Boglárka Nagy at the Conservatorium van Utrecht, The Netherlands.
January 2013	Performance by Boglárka Nagy at the SOOP, Amsterdam, The Netherlands.
June 2012	Performance by Boglárka Nagy at the Swelinckzaal, Amsterdam, The Netherlands.
May 2012	Performance by Boglárka Nagy at STEIM Studios, Amsterdam, The Netherlands.
May 2012	World Premiere at the Plein van Sienna by Boglárka Nagy, Amsterdam, The Netherlands.

to Boglárka Nagy

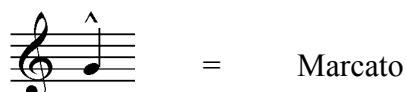
Performance Notes



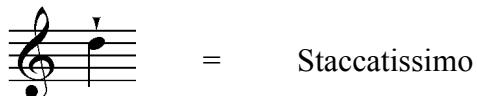
= Flatterzunge



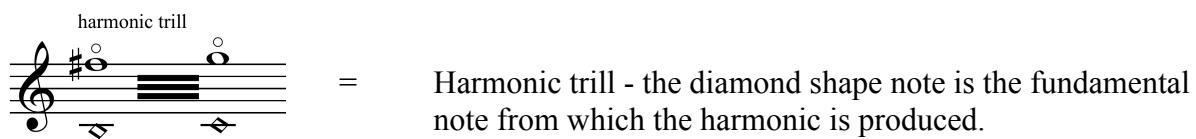
= Slap tongue



= Marcato



= Staccatissimo



= Harmonic trill - the diamond shape note is the fundamental note from which the harmonic is produced.



= Quarter tone flat



= Three quarter tone flat



= Quarter tone sharp



= Three quarter tone sharp



Electronics

Effects:

- [Fx 1] = Reverb
- [Fx 2] = Spectral Granulator
- [Fx 3] = Spectral Synth

Buffers:

- [B 1] = Record rehearsal mark A
- [B 2] = Record rehearsal mark B
- [B 3] = Record rehearsal mark C
- [B 4] = Record rehearsal mark E
- [B 5] = Record rehearsal mark F
- [B 6] = Record rehearsal mark G

Equipment:

- 1 contact microphone
- 1 condenser microphone
- 1 audio interface
- 1 midi interface
- 1 midi pedal
- 1 mixing console
- 2 full range speakers (or 2 speakers with subwoofer)
- 1 audio monitor
- 1 laptop with Max/MSP 5 to run the patch

Cassiopeia is the constellation that has the name of the vain Queen that claimed to be more beautiful than the Nereids in the Greek Mythology. The constellation has a very clear form made by 5 main stars that are reflected in the 5 parts structure of the piece. Each part has a different way of dealing with time, creating a strong feeling of contrast while keeping the unity with the melodic material. The parts fluctuate between slow to fast tempos and from rubato to strict rhythmic patterns, giving the performer a kaleidoscope of textures to display it's own full expressiveness. The beauty of the Queen Cassiopeia gives the aesthetic goal and her boldness to the gods gives the dark side of the piece.

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to Boglárka Nagy

Rubato

$\text{♩} = 60$

A

subtone ord.

Alto Saxophone

Live Electronics

- Record live (buffer 1) [B 1] →
- [Fx 1] on / Reverb

2 3 2 3

mp ff $\text{mf} < \text{f}$

sfz

$\text{D}^{\sharp} \text{ B}^{\flat}$

open slap tongue

5 5 3 2 3 4 3 4

mf ff p ff

accel.

7 a tempo rall. gliss.

3 4 5 6 5 3 4 ppp

>mp $\text{mp} \text{---} \text{f}$

9 a tempo accel. 5 3 6 5 3 4

p mf p ff mp

5 3 6 5 3 4

mf p sff p f

11 a tempo 11 5 3 6 5 3 4

mf p sff p f

14 espressivo calando 5 3 6 5 3 4

pp mf

16 rall. 5 3 6 5 3 4 5 3 4

mp f mf

5 3 4 2 3 4

Play [B 1]

5 3 4 2 3 4

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2

B $\text{♩} = 80$

19

pp poss.
- Record live (buffer 2) [B 2]
- [Fx 2] on / Spectral Granulator

(3)

21

pp *mf*

pp

poco accel.

23

(d)

mf

C $\text{♩} = 90$

25

mf

- Record live (buffer 3) [B 3]
- Play [B 2]
- [Fx 2] off

[B 1] continue playing

pp

ff

9
8

27

pp

ff

29

pp

ff

31

pp

ff

33

pp

ff

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35

37

mp sub.

39

41

43

f

45 **D**

rall.

- Play [B 3]
- [Fx 3] on / Spectral Synth

47 $\text{♩} = 80$

49

wait until all electronics are off to start new section

- All buffers go silent

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E **Calmo**
molto espressivo
 $\text{♩} = 80$

51

p dolce

*sempre **p** e legato*

- Record live (buffer 4) [B 4]

$\frac{4}{4}$ (7) $\frac{13}{16}$ $\frac{12}{16}$ $\frac{3}{4}$

55

$\frac{3}{4}$ $\frac{4}{4}$ $\frac{13}{16}$ $\frac{12}{16}$ $\frac{3}{4}$

58

(3+8) (4+7) (5+6) *tr.*

$\frac{11}{16}$ $\frac{11}{16}$ $\frac{3}{4}$ $\frac{4}{4}$

62

5 3 3 (5+6+4)

pp

64

(7+4) (5+6) *mf*

$\frac{4}{4}$ $\frac{11}{16}$ $\frac{4}{4}$ $\frac{4}{4}$

68

ff

70

(5+6+4) flz. (7+3) *rall.* *tr.*

$\frac{15}{16}$ $\frac{10}{16}$ $\frac{3}{4}$ $\frac{4}{4}$

mf

73

5 3 3 *mp*

pesante

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a tempo

74 (6+4+5)

78

81 (6+7)

84

86 **F** $\text{♩} = 60$

88 $\text{♩} = 70$

90

91

6

G $\text{♩} = 74 - 80$

mp 3 5 5 5 6 6

- Record live (buffer 6) [B 6]
- Play [B 5]
- [Fx 2], [Fx 3] off

(10) [B 4] continue playing

95

3 3 *mf* 6 6 6

96

6 6 6 6

97

6 6 6 6

98

3 3 3 3 *p* 3 3 3 3

99

f 3 *tr.* 3 3 3 3

100

6 6 6 6 *ff* 6 6 6 6

101

6 6 6 6 *ff* 6 6 6 6

102

6 6 6 6 *ff* 6 6 6 6

103

6 6 6 6 *ff* 6 6 6 6

104

a tempo
espressivo

105

107

H Rubatisimo
 $\text{♩} = 56$

110

- Play [B 6]

(11) [B 4] [B 5] continue playing

$\text{♩} = \text{♩}$

111

114

s. t.

116

$\text{tr} \sim \text{tr}$

119

$\text{tr} \sim \text{tr}$

$\text{♩} = 56$

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122 

(as long as possible)

I

126 (.) (.) 3

mf

- [Fx 2] on
- [Fx 3] on

127 (12) [B 4] [B 5] [B 6]

128 6 (.) 3

130 (.) 3 5 3 (.) 3 7

132 9 (.) 3 3 3 3

134 3 , C

All electronics off

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