

Harrison Birtwistle



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ENSEMBLE AND CHAMBER WITHOUT VOICE(S)

17 Tate Riffs

2000 5 min

for ensemble

3fl.3ob.3cl-3tp-2marimbas(I,II=t.bells)/bass marimba

World Premiere: 11 May 2000

Tate Gallery, London, United Kingdom

London Sinfonietta

Conductor: Martyn Brabbins

Availability: This work is available from Boosey & Hawkes for the world

26 Orpheus Elegies

2003-04 35 min

for oboe, harp and countertenor

Individual movements may be selected.

World premiere incomplete: 04 Jul 2003

Pillar Room, Town Hall, Cheltenham, United Kingdom

Melinda Maxwell, oboe, Helen Tunstall, harp, Andrew Watts, countertenor

Availability: This work is available from Boosey & Hawkes for the world

5 Lessons in a Frame

2015 20 min

for 13 players

1(=af).1(=corA).1(=Ebcl).1-1.1.1.0-perc(SD)-1.1.1.1.1

9790060136139 **Mixed Ensemble**

World Premiere: 01 Jun 2016

St John's Smith Square, London, United Kingdom

London Sinfonietta

Conductor: Martyn Brabbins

Availability: This work is available from Boosey & Hawkes for the world

9 Movements for String Quartet

1991-96 31 min

for string quartet

World premiere complete: 29 Apr 1996

Queen Elizabeth Hall, London, United Kingdom

Arditti String Quartet

Availability: This work is available from Boosey & Hawkes for the world

The Axe Manual

2000 23 min

for piano and percussion

perc(1):marimba/vib/2bongos/2congas/3low dr/log dr/4wdbl/5tpl.bl/hi-hat/cowbell-pft

World Premiere: 22 Mar 2001

Symphony Center, Chicago, Illinois, United States

Emanuel Ax, piano / Evelyn Glennie, percussion;

Availability: This work is available from Boosey & Hawkes for the world

Bach Measures

Johann Sebastian Bach, arranged by Harrison Birtwistle

1996 23 min

for chamber orchestra or ensemble

1(=picc.af).1(=corA).1(=bcl).1(=dbn)-1.1.btrbn.0-perc(1):glsp/vib-strings(1.1.1.1.1 or max.6.6.4.3.2)

9790060111037 **(Full score)**

World Premiere: 04 May 1996

Queen Elizabeth Hall, London, United Kingdom

London Sinfonietta

Richard Alston Dance Company

Conductor: Diego Masson

Availability: This work is available from Boosey & Hawkes for the world

Bogenstrich

Meditations on a poem of Rilke

Bow-stroke

2006-09

28 min

for voice, cello and piano

9790060118791

9790060136283 Cello, Piano

World Premiere: 22 May 2009

Margreid, Alto Adige, Italy

Roderick Williams, baritone / Adrian Brendel, cello / Till Fellner, piano

Bourdon (Duet 2)

2009

5 min

for violin and viola

World Premiere: 25 Nov 2009

The Warehouse, Theed Street, London, United Kingdom

London Sinfonietta

Availability: This work is available from Boosey & Hawkes for the world

Cantus lambeus

2004

6 min 30 sec

for thirteen instruments

1(=picc).1.1(=bc).1(=dbn)-1.0.0.0-perc(1):vib/marimba/glsp-harp-pft-strings(1.1.1.1.1)

World Premiere: 16 Mar 2005

Purcell Room, London, United Kingdom

Nash Ensemble

Conductor: Lionel Friend

Availability: This work is available from Boosey & Hawkes for the world

Crescent Moon over the Irrational

2010

3 min

for ensemble

fl(=picc).cl-harp-2vln.vla.vlc

World Premiere: 21 Nov 2010

Wigmore Hall, London, United Kingdom

Nash Ensemble

Availability: This work is available from Boosey & Hawkes for the world

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Donum Simoni MMXVIII

A Gift for Simon 2018

2018

4 min

for woodwind, brass and percussion

2picc.1.3.2.Ebcl.0-4.4.3.1-perc(3):12tom-t/12wdbl/12cowbells/6t.bells (no strings)

World Premiere: 16 Sep 2018

Barbican, London, United Kingdom

London Symphony Orchestra

Conductor: Simon Rattle

Availability: This work is available from Boosey & Hawkes for the world

Double Hocket

2007

2 min

for piano trio

Availability: This work is available from Boosey & Hawkes for the world

Duet 3

2010

3 min

for cor anglais and bassoon

World Premiere: 21 Jul 2010

Home of Nick and Claire Prettejohn, London, United Kingdom

London Sinfonietta

Availability: This work is available from Boosey & Hawkes for the world

Duet 4

2014

2 min

for flute and violin

World Premiere: 05 Dec 2014

Royal Festival Hall, Southbank Centre, London, United Kingdom

London Sinfonietta

Availability: This work is available from Boosey & Hawkes for the world

Duet 5

Echo

2014

2 min

for horn and trombone

World Premiere: 05 Dec 2014

Royal Festival Hall, Southbank Centre, London, United Kingdom

London Sinfonietta

Availability: This work is available from Boosey & Hawkes for the world

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Duet for Eight Strings

2018 14 min

for viola and cello

World Premiere: 12 Apr 2019

Wigmore Hall, London, United Kingdom
Lawrence Power, viola / Adrian Brendel, cello

Availability: This work is available from Boosey & Hawkes for the world

Fanfare

2001 3 min

for brass and percussion

4hn.4tpt.4trbn.2tuba-timp(2).perc(3):3wdbl/3susp.cym/3tam-t(med,med/lq,lq)/6tpl.bl

World Premiere: 03 May 2001

Royal Festival Hall, London, United Kingdom
Philharmonia Orchestra
Conductor: Pierre-Andre Valade

Availability: This work is available from Boosey & Hawkes for the world

Fantasia upon all the notes

2011 9 min

for ensemble

fl.cl-harp-2vln.vla.vlc

World Premiere: 13 Mar 2012

Wigmore Hall, London, United Kingdom
Nash Ensemble

Availability: This work is available from Boosey & Hawkes for the world

Hoquetus Irvineus

2014 4 min

for string quartet

World Premiere: 26 Apr 2014

Milton Court Concert Hall, London, United Kingdom
Arditti Quartet

Availability: This work is available from Boosey & Hawkes for the world

Hoquetus Petrus

1995 2 min

for two flutes and piccolo trumpet

2fl(I=picc)-picc.tpt

9790060107948 **2 Flutes, Piccolo, Trumpet (Score & parts)**

World Premiere: 30 Mar 1995

Chicago, IL, USA
Chicago Symphony Ensemble

Availability: This work is available from Boosey & Hawkes for the world

In Broken Images

2011-12 18 min

after the antiphonal music of Gabrieli, for ensemble

2(I,II=picc).2.2(I=Ebcl,II=bcl).bcl(=dbcl).2(II=dbn)

-0.3(III=picc.tpt).2.btrbn.0-perc(3):3xyl/15wdbl/12bongos/6tom-t/BD(sm)(or
tom-t(lo)/3lion's roar(lo)/bamboo guiro/hi-hat/tamb/castanet machine-strings(3.0.3.3.0)
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World Premiere: 05 Sep 2011

MITO Settembre Musica, Teatro Dal Verme, Milan, Italy
London Sinfonietta
Conductor: David Atherton

Availability: This work is available from Boosey & Hawkes for the world

The Io Passion

Aubades and Nocturnes

2003 14 min

for basset clarinet and string quartet

World Premiere: 10 Jun 2006

University Concert Hall, Glasgow, United Kingdom
Alan Hacker, clarinet; Edinburgh Quartet

Availability: This work is available from Boosey & Hawkes for the world

The Message (Duet 1)

2008 3 min

for E flat clarinet, trumpet in C and military drum

World Premiere: 02 Dec 2008

Queen Elizabeth Hall, London, United Kingdom
London Sinfonietta

Availability: This work is available from Boosey & Hawkes for the world

Oboe Quartet

2009-10 18 min

for oboe, violin, viola and cello

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9790060126055 **Oboe, Violin, Viola, Cello**

World premiere incomplete: 15 Sep 2009

Franziskanerkirche, Luzern, Switzerland

Heinz Holliger, oboe; Esther Hoppe, vln / Jürgen Dähler, vla / Daniel Haeflinger, vlc

Placid Mobile

1998 8 min

for 36 muted trumpets

Availability: This work is available from Boosey & Hawkes for the world

The Silk House Sequences

2015 30 min

for string quartet

World Premiere: 06 Nov 2015

Wigmore Hall, London, United Kingdom

Arditti Quartet

Availability: This work is available from Boosey & Hawkes for the world

The Silk House Tattoo

1998 15 min

for two trumpets and 3 side drums (one player)

2tpt-3SD(diff.sizes-one player)

World Premiere: 19 May 1999

Lake Placid, NY, USA

John Wallace (tpt) + others

Availability: This work is available from Boosey & Hawkes for the world

Slow Frieze

1996 16 min

for piano and ensemble

solo pft-0.picc.1.1.1-1.1.1.0-perc(1):3wdbl(sm,med,lg)/2dr(sm)/log dr/BD/tam-t(or med.gong)-strings(1.1.1.1.1)

World Premiere: 26 Apr 1996

Queen Elizabeth Hall, London, United Kingdom

Joanna MacGregor, piano; London Sinfonietta

Conductor: Markus Stenz

Availability: This work is available from Boosey & Hawkes for the world

Sonance 2000

1999 5 min

for brass ensemble

hn.4tpt.3trbn.euph.tuba

World Premiere: 02 Jan 2000

St. Paul's Cathedral, London, United Kingdom

London Brass

Availability: This work is available from Boosey & Hawkes for the world

Sonance for a New Space

2018 2 min

brass fanfare

3trpt.4trbn.bells(ad lib, up to 4 players)

World Premiere: 14 Mar 2018

Royal Academy of Music, London, United Kingdom

Royal Academy of Music

Availability: This work is available from Boosey & Hawkes for the world

Song of Myself

2006 5 min

for baritone, double bass and percussion

World Premiere: 08 Mar 2006

Holywell Music Rooms, Oxford, United Kingdom

Mary Wiegold, soprano; Composers Ensemble

Availability: This work is available from Boosey & Hawkes for the world

String Quartet: The Tree of Strings

2007 30 min

for string quartet

9790060126062 **String Quartet (parts)**

9790060126079 **Study Score - Hawkes Pocket Score 1494**

World Premiere: 27 Apr 2008

Rudolf Steiner Schule, Witten, Germany

Arditti Quartet

Tenebrae David

2001 8 min

for brass ensemble

hn.4tp.4trbn.tuba

World Premiere: 07 Sep 2001

Royal Albert Hall, London, United Kingdom

London Brass

Availability: This work is available from Boosey & Hawkes for the world

Theseus Game

2002-03 36 min

for large ensemble with two conductors

2(=picc.af).2(=corA).2(II=bcl,Ebcl).2-2.2(II=picc.tpt).2.1-perc(3):3vib/3
marimbas-2pft-4vln.3vla.3vlc

9790060116452 **Study Score - Hawkes Pocket Score 1376**

World Premiere: 19 Sep 2003

Gebälsehalle, Landschaftspark, Duisburg-Nord, Germany

Ensemble Modern

Conductor: Martyn Brabbins and Pierre-Andre Valade

Availability: This work is available from Boosey & Hawkes for the world

Three Arias

Johann Sebastian Bach, arranged by Harrison Birtwistle

2003-04 15 min

for soprano, countertenor and ensemble

ob.2cl (=bcl).harp.marimba

World Premiere: 29 Aug 2004

Lukaskirche, Lucerne, Switzerland

Heinz Holliger (oboe), Ursula Holliger (harp), Andrew Watts (counter-tenor), Claire

Booth (soprano), Alan Hacker (clarinet);

Availability: This work is available from Boosey & Hawkes for the world

Three Fugues from The Art of Fugue

Contrapunctus VII, Contrapunctus XII, Contrapunctus XVII

Johann Sebastian Bach, arranged by Harrison Birtwistle

2008 9 min

for string quartet

World Premiere: 27 Jun 2008

Snape Maltings Concert Hall, Aldeburgh, United Kingdom

Arditti Quartet

Availability: This work is available from Boosey & Hawkes for the world

Trio

2010 15 min

for violin, cello and piano

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World Premiere: 07 Apr 2011

Schlosstheater, Celle, Germany

Corey Cerovsek, violin / Adrian Brendel, cello / Till Fellner, piano

Availability: This work is available from Boosey & Hawkes for the world

Virelai (Sus une fontayne)

2008 5 min

for ensemble of 12 players

1(=picc).1.1.1(=dbn)-1.1.1.0-strings(1.1.1.1.1)

World Premiere: 06 Sep 2008

Conservatorio, Turin, Italy

London Sinfonietta / Sound Intermedia

Conductor: Elgar Howarth

Availability: This work is available from Boosey & Hawkes for the world