

John Adams



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FULL ORCHESTRA

Absolute Jest

2011

25 min

for string quartet and orchestra

2.picc.2.corA.2.bcl.2.dbn-4.2.2.0-timp.perc(2):cowbell/xyl/BD/chimes/glsp/vib-harp-pft.c
el-strings

This work requires additional technological components and/or amplification.

<u>NOTE</u>: Due to certain balance issues in the orchestration, it is strongly recommended that very light amplification of the solo quartet be used with the sound controlled through a mixing board located at the rear, behind the audience.

9790051097708 **String Quartet & Orchestra**

World Premiere: 15 Mar 2012

Davies Symphony Hall, San Francisco, CA, USA

St Lawrence String Quartet; San Francisco Symphony

Conductor: Michael Tilson Thomas

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

City Noir

2009

34 min

for orchestra

picc.3(III=picc).3.corA.3(III=bcl).bcl.asax.dbn--6.4.3.1--timp.perc(5):vib/lg
sus.cym/SD/bongos; tuned gongs/sus.cym/glsp/mar/tam-t/BD/chimes/vib/low
tom-toms/tgl/castanets/cowbell/clave/temple bl; chimes/glsp/tamb/med tam-t/2
timbales/sus.cym/crotales/xyl; BD/tuned gongs/med tam-t/2
sus.cym/mar/crotales/castanet/tgl/glsp; 2 tam-t/BD/sus.cym/tgl/temple block/SD/2
tom-t/timbale/bongo/conga/tuned gongs.trap set--pft--cel--2harps--strings
9790051097791 **Orchestra (full score)**

World Premiere: 08 Oct 2009

Walt Disney Concert Hall, Los Angeles, CA, United States

Los Angeles Philharmonic

Conductor: Gustavo Dudamel

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

Doctor Atomic Symphony

2007

25 min

for orchestra

2.picc.3(III=corA).3(II=Ebcl, III=bcl).3(III=dbn)
-4.4(IV=picc.tpt).3.1-harp-cel-timp-perc(4):crotales/chimes/SD/thunder sheet/glsp/BD/2
tam-t/2 susp.cym/tuned gongs-strings
9790051097326 **(Full score)**

World Premiere: 21 Aug 2007

Royal Albert Hall, London, United Kingdom

BBC Symphony Orchestra

Conductor: John Adams

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

El Dorado

1991

31 min

for orchestra

3(II,III=picc).2.corA.3(II=Ebcl,III=bcl.2.dbn-4.3.
(I,II=flgn).3.1-timp(=claves,sandpaper,tamb).perc(4):I=marimba/claves/cowbell/xyl/SD;
II=cabasa/hi&lo tom-t/pedal BD/xyl/claves/bongos/3tpl.bl/bowed vib; III=hi-hat
cym/SD/pedal BD/4timbales/metal pipe(2 small
pieces)/TD/5tom-t;IV=claves/guiro/maracas/tamb/sandpaper/hi wdbl/BD-2kybd
samplers-harp-strings

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For complete technical specifications go to: mhgrey.wordpress.com
9790051096381 (Full score)

World Premiere: 11 Nov 1991

San Francisco, CA, United States

San Francisco Symphony

Conductor: John Adams

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

Girls of the Golden West

Lola Montez Does the Spider Dance
2016

4 min 30 sec

dance section from Girls of the Golden West

3(III=picc).2.corA.2.bcl.2.dbn-4.3.3-BD-pft-strings

World Premiere: 06 Aug 2016

Santa Cruz Civic Auditorium, Santa Cruz, CA, United States

Cabrillo Festival of Contemporary Music

Conductor: Marin Alsop

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

Guide to Strange Places

2001

27 min

for orchestra

2(II=picc).picc.2.corA.2.bcl.dbcl.2.dbn-4.3.3.1-timp.perc(4):I=marimba/glsp/BD/SD/cow
bell; II=marimba/chimes/almglocken/tgl/crot; III=glsp/BD/lo roto-tom/hi
tgl/crot/chimes/claves/almglocken; IV=chimes/BD/4 roto-toms/susp.cym/3
susp.tgl/wdbl/almglocken-harp-pft-cel-strings

World Premiere: 06 Oct 2001

Concertgebouw, Amsterdam, Netherlands

Radio Filharmonisch Orkest

Conductor: John Adams

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

FULL ORCHESTRA 2

I Still Dance

8 min

for orchestra

4(IV=picc,III=picc2).3.corA.4.bcl.3.dbn-4.4.3.1-timp.perc(2)-pft-ebs-strings

World Premiere: 19 Sep 2019

Davies Symphony Hall, San Francisco, CA, United States

San Francisco Symphony

Conductor: Michael Tilson Thomas

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

Lollapalooza

1995

6 min

for orchestra

picc.2(III=picc).2.corA.2.Ebcl.bcl.3.dbn-4.3.2.btrbn.1-timp.perc(4):I=xyl/3lg
roto-toms/susp.cym/sm tam-t;II=SD/pedal
BD/maracas/tamb/claves;III=claves/wdbl/bongo/SD/low floor tom-t;IV=vibes, lg
BD-pft-strings
9790051096367 (Full score)

World Premiere: 10 Nov 1995

Symphony Hall, Birmingham, United Kingdom

City of Birmingham Symphony Orchestra

Conductor: Simon Rattle

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

My Father Knew Charles Ives

2003

25 min

for orchestra

picc.3(III=picc).2.corA.3(III=Ebcl).bcl.2.dbn-4.4.3.1-timp(=2bowl gongs)
-perc(4);crot/glsp/cowbell/xyl/2bowl
gongs/mar;xyl/crot/SD/susp.cym/2tom-t/vib/almglocken/3high tgl/mar;chimes/crash
cym/susp.cym/3high tgls;3tgls/2BD/tuned gongs/tam-t/almglocken/low
susp.cym/vib/crot-pft-cel-harp-strings
9790051096275 Orchestra (full score)

World Premiere: 30 Apr 2003

Davies Symphony Hall, San Francisco, California, United States

San Francisco Symphony

Conductor: Michael Tilson Thomas

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

FULL ORCHESTRA 2

Naive and Sentimental Music

1999

48 min

for orchestra

4(III,IV=picc).3(III=corA).3(II=bcl2).bcl.3(III=dbn)
-4.4.3.2-timp.perc(5):I=vib/almglocken/xyl/2tgl/susp.cym/2sm chinese gongs/sm
hipitched bell/glsp; II=marimba/shaker/xyl/crot/almglocken/vib/susp.cym;III=xyl/glsp/lg
BD/sm hi pitched bell/bowed vib/susp.cym; IV=chimes/hi anvil/tam-t/"ranch"
tgl/5japanese temple bowls; V=5logongs/chimes/lg sleighbells/3"ranch" tgl/hi
tgl/tam-t/susp.cym/susp.sizzle cym-2harps-pft-cel-kbd sampler-steel stringed gtr-strings

This work requires additional technological components and/or amplification.

For complete technical specifications go to: mhgrey.wordpress.com
9790051261680 (Full score)

World Premiere: 19 Feb 1999

Dorothy Chandler Pavilion, Los Angeles, California, United States

Los Angeles Philharmonic Orchestra

Conductor: Esa-Pekka Salonen

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

Short Ride in a Fast Machine

1986

4 min

Fanfare for orchestra

2.2picc.2.corA.4(III,IVadlib).3.dbn-4.4.3.1-timp.perc(3):2wdbl/tgl/
xyl/crot/glsp/susp.cym/sizzle cym/SD/pedal BD/large BD/large tam-t/
tamb-2synth(opt)-strings

This work requires additional technological components and/or amplification.

For complete technical specifications go to: mhgrey.wordpress.com

World Premiere: 13 Jun 1986

Mansfield, MA, United States

Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra

Conductor: Michael Tilson Thomas

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

Slonimsky's Earbox

1996

14 min

for orchestra

2.picc.2.corA.3(III=Ebcl).bcl.3-4.4.3.1-timp.perc(3)-crot/marimba/
glsp/xyl/2susp.cym/wdbl/claves/SD/hi-hat/tpl.bls/cast/shaker/tamb/
tam-t/tgl/vib-harp-pft-sampler-strings

Sampler is Kurzweil K2000 or Akai. Alternative would be celesta or small electronic jazz organ.

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9790051096497 (Full score)

World Premiere: 12 Sep 1996

Bridgewater Hall, Manchester, United Kingdom

Halle Orchestra

Conductor: Kent Nagano

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

Tromba Lontana

1986

4 min

Fanfare for orchestra

2.2picc.2.2.0-4.2(solos).0.0-perc(3):glsp/crot/susp.cym/vib-pft-harp-strings
9790051211500 Study Score - Hawkes Pocket Score 1150

World Premiere: 04 Apr 1986

Jones Hall, Houston, TX, United States

Houston Symphony

Conductor: Sergiu Commissiona

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