

EDGAR F GIRTAIN IV

Commissioned by the Arpahe Philharmonic in 2015

THE END OF HUMANISM

for full orchestra

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Notes

The medium of this piece is a nineteenth century orchestra because it was commissioned by the Arapahoe Philharmonic to be premiered alongside Beethoven's Ninth Symphony. Exploring possibilities of freedom and order with contemporary sonic gesture and musical syntax, *The End of Humanism* stands in austere counterpoint to the apotheosis of high-flung *Aufklärung* ideals famously represented in Beethoven's ninth. This dialectic of individual freedom against ordered hierarchy, inspired by Theodore Adorno's seminal *Philosophy of Modern Music*, manifests in the work as a struggle between melodic expressionist trope and aggressive rhythmic gesture.

Instrumentation

Piccolo
 2 Flutes
 2 Oboes
 2 Clarinets in B♭
 2 Bassoons
 1 Contrabassoon
 4 Horns in F
 2 Trumpets in C
 2 Tenor Trombones
 1 Bass Trombone
 Timpani
 3 Percussion
 (Triangle, Tam-tam, Crash Cymbals,
 Bass Drum, Marimba)
 Full Strings

Slow and Furious $\text{♩} = 50$

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pp
Slow and Furious $\text{♩} = 50$

Timpani

Percussion I
Triangle,
Tam-Tam

Percussion II
Crash Cymbals

Percussion III
Marimba
Bass Drum

mf

Slow and Furious ♩ = 50

Violin I

Violin II

Viola

f

arco, sul pont.

Violoncello

f

fp

pizz.

arco

Contrabass

f *p*

fp

pizz.

arco

pizz.

14 $\text{♩} = \text{♩}$

Picc. mp ff f f f f

Fl. I mp ff f f f f

Fl. II mp ff f f f f

Ob. I ff f f f f f

Ob. II ff f f f f f

Cl. I f f f f f f

Cl. II f f f f f f

Bsn. I f f f f f f

Bsn. II f f f f f f

Chsn. f f f f f f

14 $\text{♩} = \text{♩}$

Hn. I f fp $resc.$ f f f

Hn. II f fp $resc.$ f f f

Hn. III f fp $resc.$ f f f

Hn. IV f fp $resc.$ f f f

C Tpt. I f fp $resc.$ f f f

C Tpt. II f fp $resc.$ f f f

Tbn. I f ff ff f f f

Tbn. II f ff ff f f f

B. Tbn. f ff ff f f f

14 $\text{♩} = \text{♩}$

Timp. f ff ff f ff ff solo ff

Cym. p $resc.$

B. D. ff ff ff ff ff p $resc.$

14 $\text{♩} = \text{♩}$

Vln. I ff mp fp $resc.$ f f $div.$

Vln. II ff mp fp $resc.$ f f $div.$

Vla. ff ff ff ff f f $ful. pont.$

Vc. ff f ff ff f f $ful. pont.$

Ch. f f f f f f f

24 Allegro ♩ = 136

Picc. *p* *fff*

Fl. I *p* *fff* *ppp* *cresc. poco a poco*

Fl. II *p* *fff*

Ob. I *p* *fff* *ppp* *cresc. poco a poco*

Ob. II *p* *fff*

Cl. I *p* *fff* *ppp* *cresc. poco a poco*

Cl. II *p* *fff* *ppp* *cresc. poco a poco*

Bsn. I *ff*

Bsn. II *ff*

Cbsn. *ff*

24 Allegro ♩ = 136

Hn. I *p* *ff*

Hn. II *p* *ff*

Hn. III *p* *ff*

Hn. IV *p* *ff*

C Tpt. I *p* *ff*

C Tpt. II *p* *ff*

Tbn. I *ff*

Tbn. II *ff*

B. Tbn. *ff*

24 Allegro ♩ = 136

Timp. *fff*

Tri. *ff*

Cym. *ff*

B. D. *ff* *Marimba p*

24 Allegro ♩ = 136

Vln. I *pizz.* *mp* *cresc.*

Vln. II *pizz.* *mp* *cresc.*

Vla. *pizz.* *mp* *cresc.*

Vc. *pizz.* *mp* *cresc.*

Cb. *gliss.* *ff*

30

34

Fl. I

Fl. II

Ob. I

Ob. II

Cl. I

Cl. II

Bsn. I

Bsn. II

Cbsn.

Hn. I

Hn. II

Hn. III

Hn. IV

C. Tpt. I

C. Tpt. II

Tri.

Mar.

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vcl.

Cb.

ppp

ff

p

st. mute

remove mute

cup mute

ff

Tam-tam bowed

f

(snap)

arco

pp

much bow pressure

arco

Apoco. sul pont.

div.

This page of the musical score contains the following instruments and parts:

- Picc.** (Piccolo)
- Fl. I, II** (Flutes)
- Cl. I, II** (Clarinets)
- Bsn. I, II** (Bassoons)
- Cbsn.** (Contrabassoon)
- Hn. I, II, III, IV** (Horns)
- C. Tpt. I, II** (Trumpets)
- Tbn. I, II** (Trombones)
- B. Tbn.** (Tuba)
- Timp.** (Timpani)
- T.-c.** (Snare Drum)
- Mar.** (Bass Drum)
- Vln. I, II** (Violins)
- Vla.** (Viola)
- Vcl.** (Violoncello)
- Cb.** (Double Bass)

The score includes various musical notations such as notes, rests, and dynamic markings (e.g., *ff*, *p*, *cresc.*). Performance instructions like "Bowed" and "Snap pizz." are also present.

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79 **80**

Picc. *p stacc.*

Fl. I *p stacc.*

Fl. II *p stacc.*

Ob. I *p stacc.*

Ob. II *p stacc.*

Cl. I *p stacc.*

Cl. II *p stacc.*

Bsn. I *fp* *fz* *fp* *p stacc.*

Bsn. II *fp* *fz* *fp* *p stacc.*

Cbsn. *fp* *fz* *fp*

80

Hn. I *p* *f* *p* *f* *p stacc.*

Hn. II *p* *f* *p* *f* *p stacc.*

Hn. III *p* *f* *p* *f* *p stacc.*

Hn. IV *p* *f* *p* *f* *p stacc.*

C Tpt. I *p stacc.*

C Tpt. II *p stacc.*

Tbn. I *fp* *fz* *fp*

Tbn. II *fp* *fz* *fp*

B. Tbn. *solo* *mp* *fp* *fz* *fp*

Timp. *solo* *f*

Cym. *p*

B. D. *mp* *mp*

80

Vln. I *p* *f*

Vln. II *f*

Vla. *p* *f*

Vc. *unis.* *f*

Cb. *fz* *arco* *f*

A Tempo

Picc. *ff* *f*

Fl. I *ff* *f*

Fl. II *ff* *f*

Ob. I *ff* *f*

Ob. II *ff* *f*

Cl. I *f* *ff*

Cl. II *f* *ff*

Bsn. I *f* *ff*

Bsn. II *f* *ff*

Chsn. *f*

A Tempo

Hn. I *f*

Hn. II *f*

Hn. III *f* *mf*

Hn. IV *f* *mf*

C Tpt. II *f* *spicc.*

Tbn. I *f* *spicc.*

Tbn. II *mf*

B. Tbn. *mf*

A Tempo

Temp. *p* *f*

Cym. *p* *spicc.*

B. D. *p* *mp* *spicc.*

A Tempo

Vln. I *spic.* *ff* *div.* *ff*

Vln. II *spic.* *ff* *spicc.*

Vla. *ff* *spicc.*

Vc. *ff*

Cb. *ff*

120

Fl. I

Cl. I

Cl. II

Bsn. I

Bsn. II

Cbsn.

Hn. I

Hn. II

Hn. III

Hn. IV

Tbn. I

Tbn. II

B. Tbn.

Tri.

Cym.

B. D.

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vcl.

Cb.

142 Andante ♩=92

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con sord.
div.
pppp

[illegible]

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185

Fl. I

Bsn. I

Bsn. II

Cbsn.

195 Allegro $\text{♩} = 136$

ff

Hn. III

Hn. IV

Tbn. I

Tbn. II

B. Tbn.

195 Allegro $\text{♩} = 136$

ff open

Gong

Mar.

pp

p

195

Allegro $\text{♩} = 136$

ff *ovd.*

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

pp

f tutti

[illegible]

205

208

Fl. I

mp

Fl. II

mp

Ob. I

mp

Ob. II

mp

Cl. I

mp

Cl. II

mp

Bsn. I

ff

mf

Bsn. II

ff

mf

Cbsn.

ff

mf

208

Hn. I

ff

mp

Hn. II

ff

mp

Hn. III

ff

Hn. IV

ff

Tbn. I

ff

p

f

p

Tbn. II

ff

p

f

p

B. Tbn.

ff

p

f

p

208

Timp.

f

Cym.

B. D.

mp

208

Vln. I

f

Vln. II

f

Vla.

f

Vc.

f

Cb.

mf

[illegible]

227

Picc. *f cresc.* *ff*

Fl. I *cresc.* *ff*

Fl. II *cresc.* *ff*

Ob. I *cresc.* *ff*

Ob. II *cresc.* *ff*

Cl. I *cresc.* *ff*

Cl. II *cresc.* *ff*

Bsn. I *cresc.* *ff*

Bsn. II *f cresc.* *ff*

Cbsn. *f cresc.* *ff*

Hn. I *f* *p*

Hn. II *p*

Hn. III *p*

Hn. IV *p*

C.Tpt. I *f*

C.Tpt. II *f*

Tbn. I *cresc.* *p*

Tbn. II *cresc.* *p*

B. Tbn. *mf cresc.* *p*

Timp. *solo ff* *ff* *f*

Cym. *f*

B. D. *f*

Vln. I *ord. cresc.* *ff molto espress.*

Vln. II *ord. cresc.* *ff molto espress.*

Vla. *cresc.* *ff molto espress.*

Vc. *ff* *ff molto espress.*

Cb. *ff* *ff*

This image shows a page from a musical score, likely for a symphony. The score is written for a large orchestra, with multiple staves for various instruments. The instruments listed on the left include Picc., Fl. I, Fl. II, Ob. I, Ob. II, Cl. I, Cl. II, Bsn. I, Bsn. II, Cbsn., Hn. I, Hn. II, Hn. III, Hn. IV, C Tpt. I, C Tpt. II, Tbn. I, Tbn. II, B. Tbn., Timp., Gong, B. D., Vln. I, Vln. II, Vla., Vc., and Cb.

The score is divided into measures, with measure numbers 237 and 244 visible. The tempo markings "poco rall." and "Meastoso" are present. Dynamic markings such as *f*, *mf*, *ff*, *p*, and *sfz* are used throughout the score. The notation includes various musical symbols like notes, rests, and slurs.

249 poco accel. . . . A Tempo 260

Picc. *ff*

Fl. I *ff*

Fl. II *ff*

Ob. I

Ob. II

Cl. I *f* *p* *ff* *f*

Cl. II *f* *p* *ff* *f*

Bsn. I *f* *p* *ff* *f*

Bsn. II *f* *p* *ff* *f*

Cbsn. *f* *p* *ff* *f*

Hn. I *f* *ff* *decras.* *f* *espr.*

Hn. II *f* *ff* *decras.* *f* *espr.*

Hn. III *f* *ff* *decras.* *fp* *ff* *f*

Hn. IV *f* *ff* *decras.* *fp* *ff* *f*

C Tpt. I *f*

C Tpt. II

Tbn. I *f*

Tbn. II *f*

B. Tbn. *f* *fp* *ff* *f*

Temp. *p* *f*

Tri. *p* *mp*

Cym.

B. D. *p* *mp*

Vln. I *f*

Vln. II *f*

Vla. *f* *molto espress.* *ff*

Vc. *f* *molto espress.* *ff*

Ch. *f* *ff* *pizz.*

(8).....

poco accel. . . . A Tempo 260

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269

271

Picc. *f*

Fl. I *f*

Fl. II *f*

Ob. I *f* 3 3 3 3 3

Ob. II *f* 3 3 3 3 3

Cl. I *f* *trac.* 5 6 3

Cl. II *f* *trac.* 5 6 3

Bsn. I *ff*

Bsn. II *ff*

Cbsn. *ff*

Hn. I *f* 3 3 3

Hn. II *f* 3 3 3

Hn. III *f* 3 3 3

Hn. IV *f* 3 3 3

C Tpt. I *f* 3 3 3

C Tpt. II *f* 3 3 3

Tbn. I *ff* open

Tbn. II *ff*

B. Tbn. *ff*

Timp. *mf*

B. D. *mf*

Vln. I *f* *trac.* 5

Vln. II *f* *trac.* 5

Vla. *f* *trac.* 5 3

Vc. *f* *trac.* 5 3

Cb. *f* *trac.* 5 3

277 Andante Tranquillamente $\text{♩} = 72$

Picc. fff

Fl. I fff

Fl. II fff

Ob. I fff

Ob. II fff

Cl. I fff

Cl. II fff

Bsn. I

Bsn. II

Cbsn.

277 Andante Tranquillamente $\text{♩} = 72$

Hr. I

Hr. II

Hr. III

Hr. IV

C Tpt. I

C Tpt. II

Tbn. I

Tbn. II

B. Tbn.

277 Andante Tranquillamente $\text{♩} = 72$

Timp.

Tri.

B. D. ff

Vln. I pp

Vln. II pp

Vla. pp

Vc. pp

Cb. pp

This page of the musical score contains measures 285 through 300. The instruments listed on the left are Fl. I, Fl. II, Bsn. I, Bsn. II, Cbsn., Tbn. I, Tbn. II, B. Tbn., Tri., Vln. I, Vln. II, Vla., Vc., Cb., Picc., Hn. I, Hn. II, Hn. III, Tbn. I, Tbn. II, B. Tbn., Vla., Vc., and Cb. The score includes various musical notations such as notes, rests, and dynamic markings (p, pp, mf, f, cresc.). Measure numbers 285, 286, 292, 299, and 300 are indicated at the top of their respective staves. The page is numbered 286 at the top left.