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Resolutions

Suite for Brass Trio

Trumpet in C, Horn in F, Trombone

I. Agreeing to Disagree

II. Repeated Assumptions

III. A Collective Prayer

IV. Growing Empathy

V. The Squabble

dur. *ca.* 17 min

Resolutions

Program Notes

'Resolution: Suite for Brass Trio' is an exploration of different brass instruments interacting with each other. In this case, these are arguments trying to be resolved. The first movement "Agreeing to Disagree" is a full-blown fight where each instrument is yelling at each other and interrupting one another. This is shown through rhythmic dissonance and in a lot of misaligned counterpoints. Eventually, the feud stops, but nothing has been resolved. The second movement "Repeated Assumptions" reflects how certain individuals view another. The piece has a duet collectively accompanying a solo voice. The two components never really align, and each voice never connects. The third movement "A Collective Prayer" attempts to find commonality in one another. While the rhythms are aligned, the harmonies never truly settled between the voices. The final movement "Growing Empathy" is progress in seeing points of view. This is represented with an accelerating rhythmic figure, resembling a 'tango'. Eventually, the performers continue their feud in a final 'Squabble' as the finale.

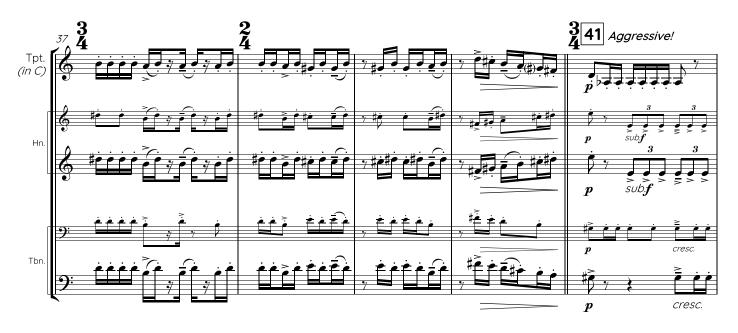
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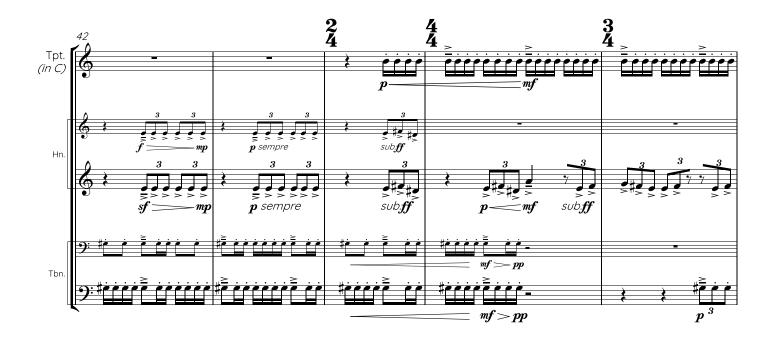
- -Tempos should be taken at specified marking, no slower and no faster. Performers should also keep the rhythm momentum lively by not slowing down the tempo of the work as time goes on.
- -Articulations are given to help execute the right style for each section. Follow the directions to help propel the music forward.
- -Dynamics are given to show intended effects. However, performers do not need to stretch their dynamics, in particular in the higher decibels. The orchestration and harmonies create louder sounds for the performers.
- -Staccatos in this work determine the style of the point of attack, rather than the length of the note. Be sure that staccatos still have length to help propel momentum.
- -Ossias are given to help performers execute difficult sections in need be.

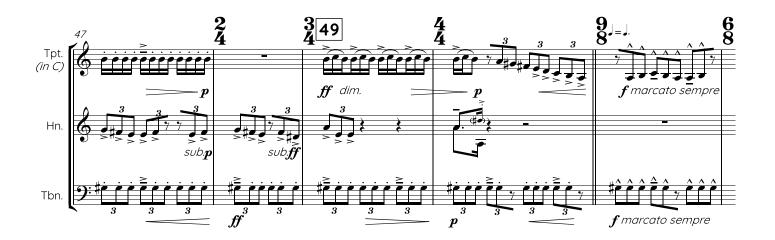
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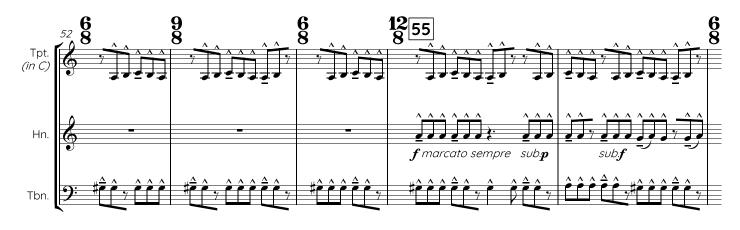






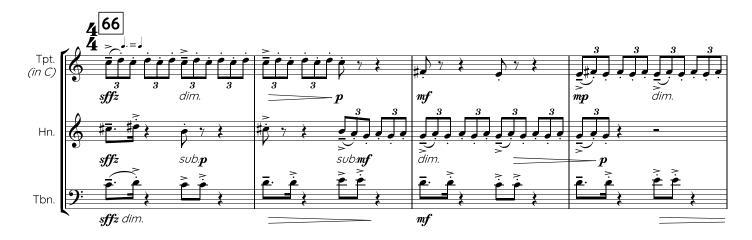


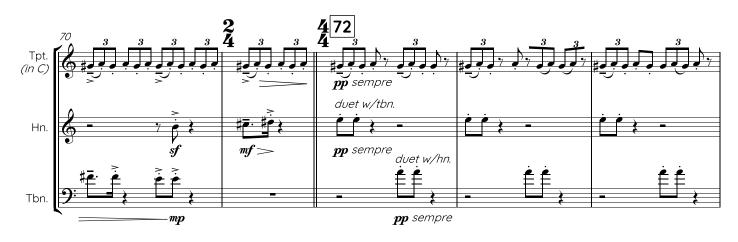


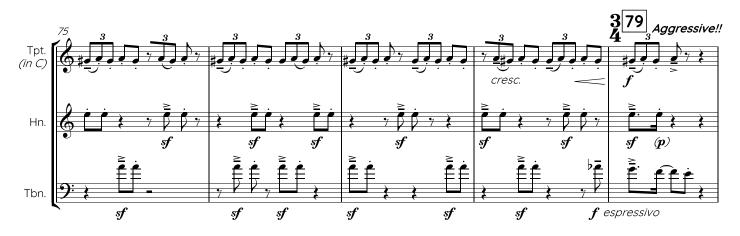


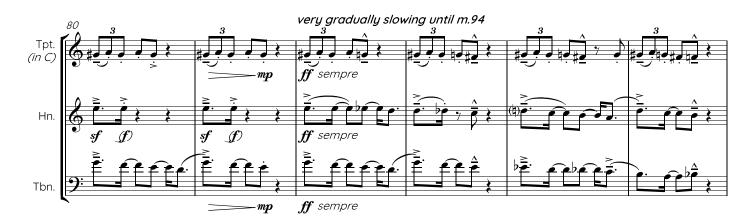


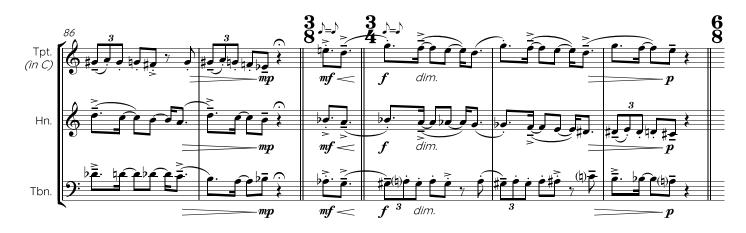


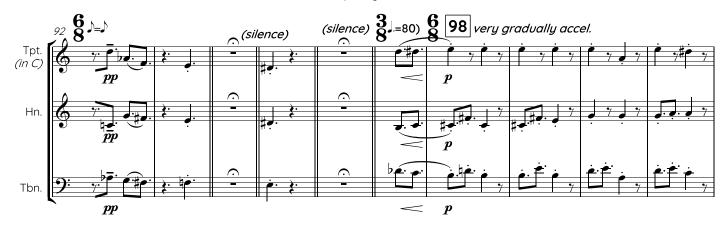








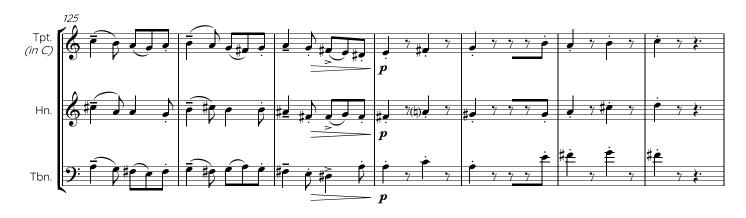






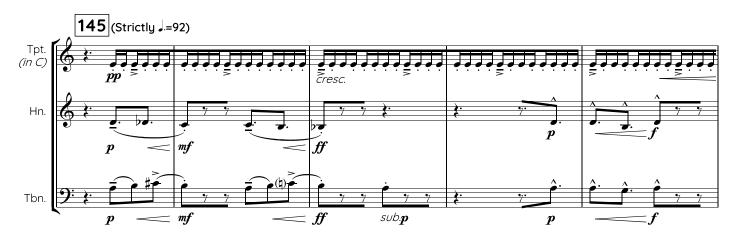


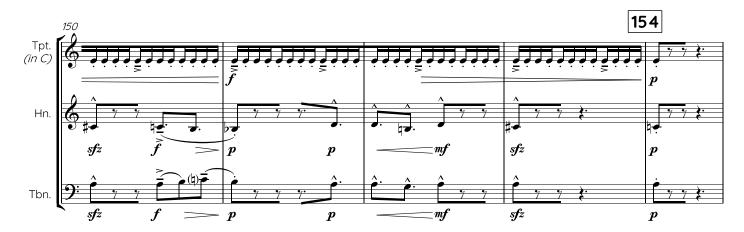


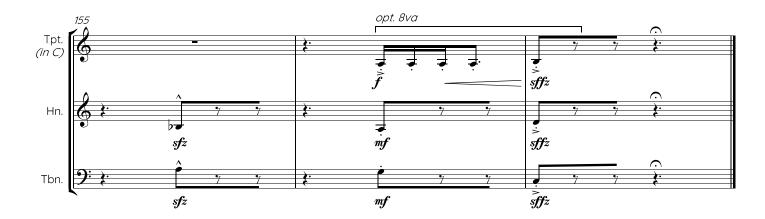








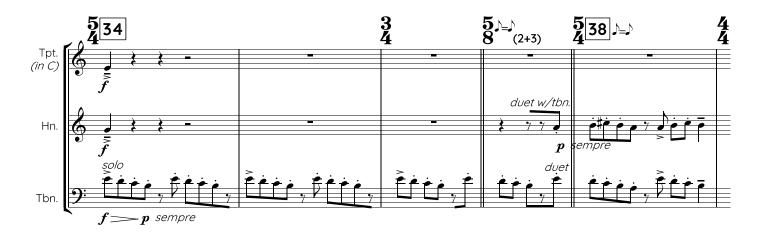




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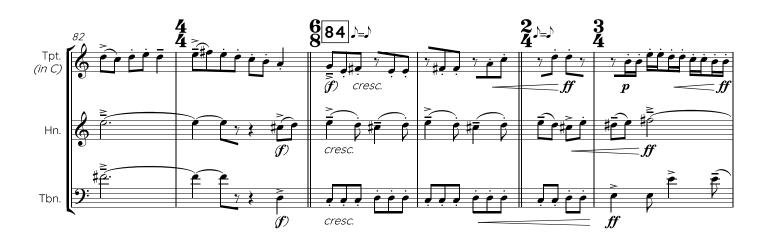


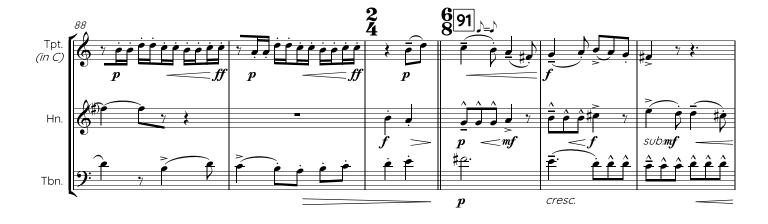


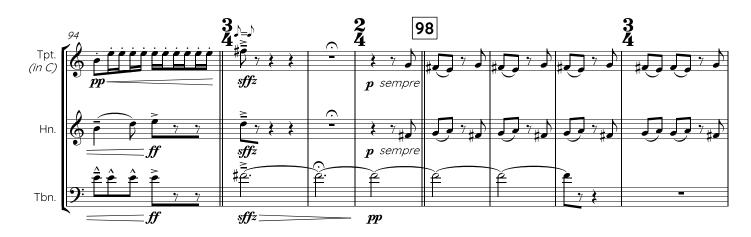












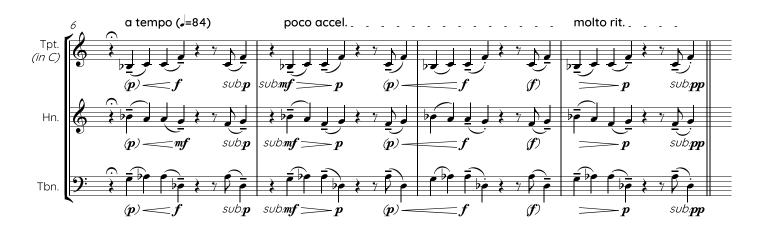


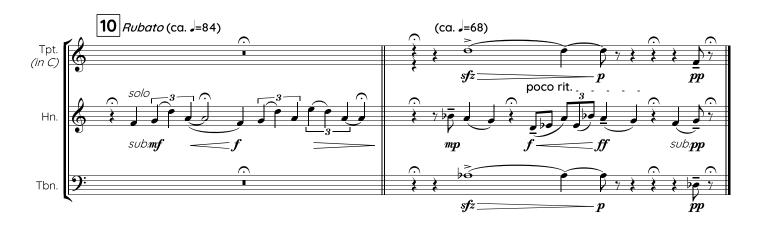


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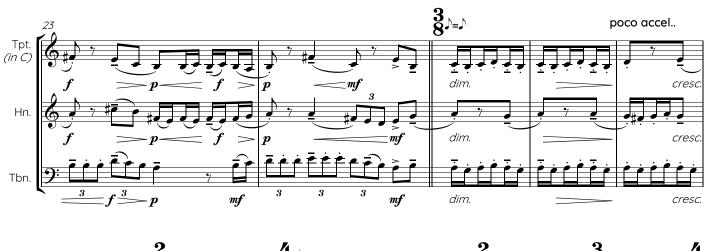


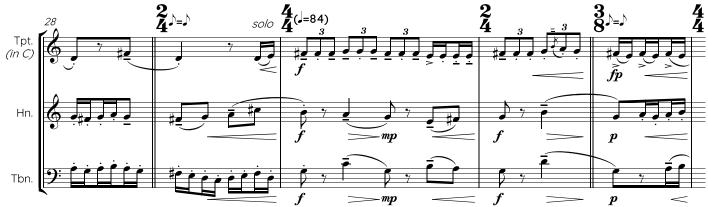


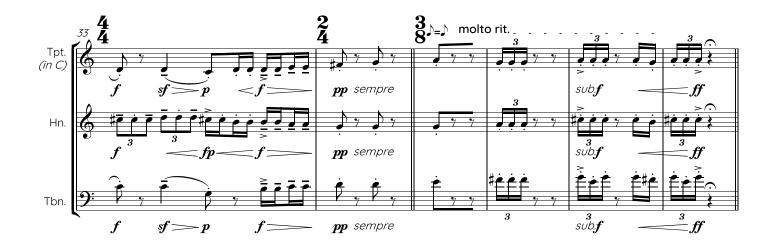


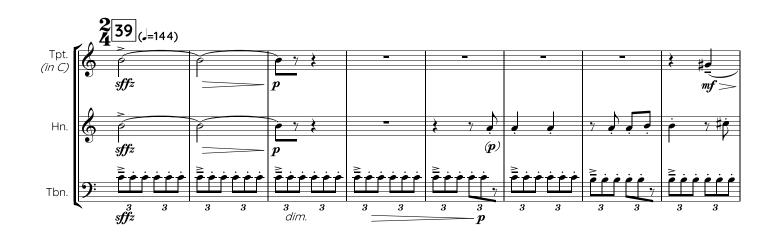
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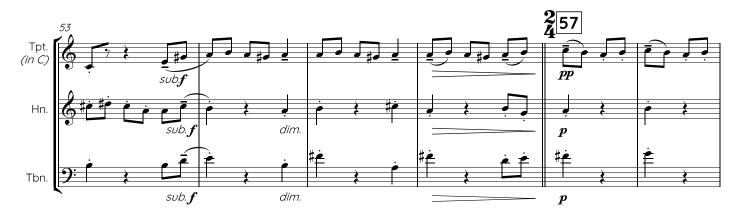








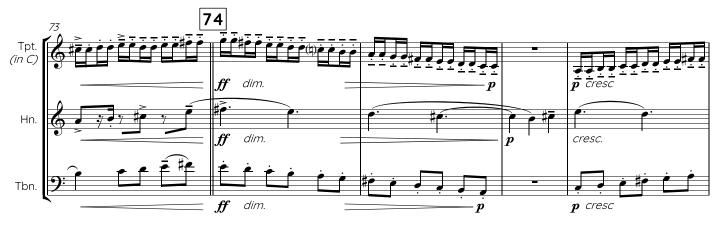


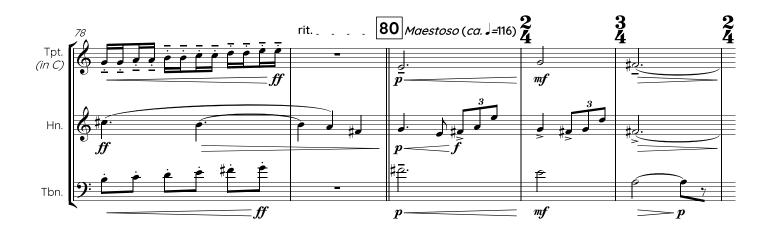














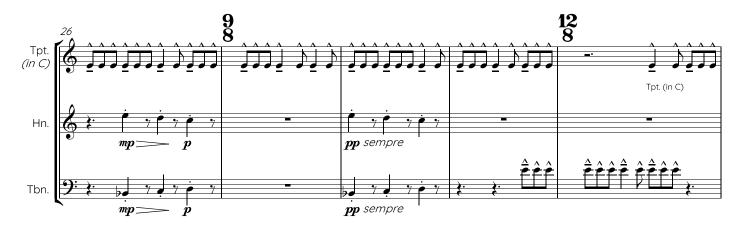


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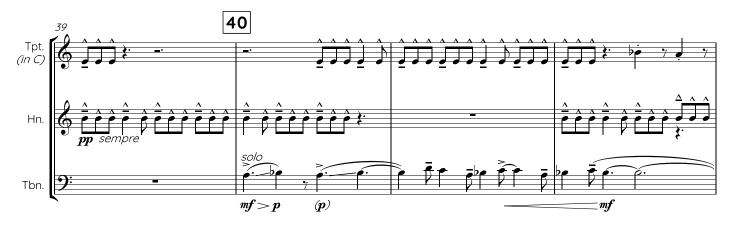


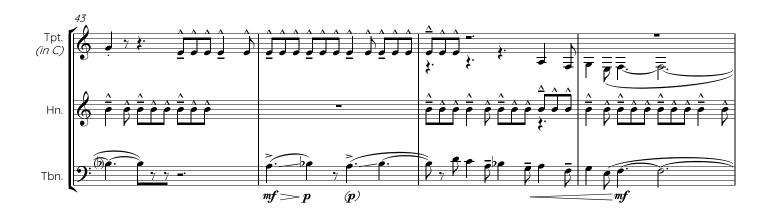




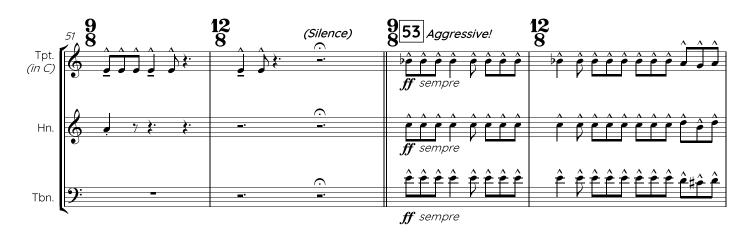








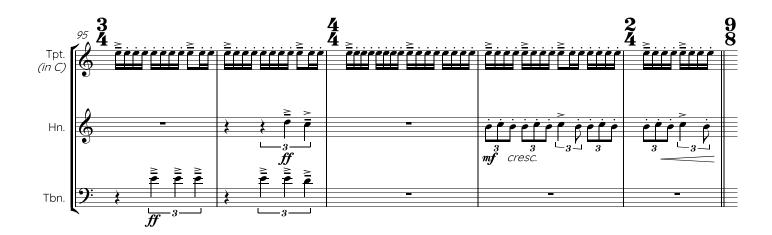


















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O Christmas Tree - Trumpet Sextet

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