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Written in 2025 for Jonah Cabral. Many thanks to him for the premiere performance.

## Requirements

1. Max MSP version 8 or higher.
2. Stereo speaker system.
3. Small diaphragm condenser microphone for alto saxophone. A clip-on microphone is preferred.
4. USB foot pedal set to output spaces.
5. Headphones or other in-ear monitor.
6. An audio interface with one input, and four outputs (2 for headphones, 2 for computer output).
7. The patch. Contact composer at [composer@wyattcannon.com](mailto:composer@wyattcannon.com) to acquire.

## To Play

1. Open the patch in Max.
2. Press your foot pedal to advance each cue. These are marked with text in the score and a short description. An electronics reduction is notated in the small staves below the alto saxophone.

## Questions?

Contact the composer at [composer@wyattcannon.com](mailto:composer@wyattcannon.com).

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**Cue 1 (Electronics enter)**

**A**

Alto Saxophone

Drum Kit

Synthesizer

Bass Guitar

♩ = 132

Cue 1 (Electronics enter)

**A**

*f*

4

A. Sax.

Synth.

8

A. Sax.

Synth.

12

A. Sax.

Synth.

15

A. Sax.

D. Kit

*fp* — *f*

*p sub.* —

*mf* 5 5 3 5 *p*

5

2

19

A. Sax.

D. Kit

23 **B**

A. Sax.

D. Kit

26

A. Sax.

D. Kit

29

A. Sax.

D. Kit

32 **C**

A. Sax.

D. Kit

Synth.

34

A. Sax.

D. Kit

Synth.

B. Guit.

5

37

A. Sax.

D. Kit

Synth.

B. Guit.

40

A. Sax.

D. Kit

Synth.

B. Guit.

4

42

A. Sax.

D. Kit

Synth.

B. Guit.

*mp*

*3 3*

*3 3*

*3 3*

*5 3*

*5 3 3 f*

44

A. Sax.

D. Kit

Synth.

B. Guit.

*f*

*ff*

*p*

*p*

*p*

47

A. Sax.

D. Kit

Synth.

B. Guit.

**D**

*mp*

*8*

50

A. Sax.

Synth.

B. Guit.

**E**

53

A. Sax.

Synth.

B. Guit.

56

**F**

A. Sax.

Synth.

B. Guit.

59

A. Sax.

Synth.

61

A. Sax.

Synth.

*f*

**Freely**  $\text{♩} = 90$ 

Cue 2 (Reverb Effect)

63

A. Sax.

Synth.

*p*

*ff*

B. Guit.

**1**

**1**

**1**

68

A. Sax.

73

A. Sax.

79

A. Sax.

Cue 3, then Cue 4 immediately after while holding this note

84

A. Sax.

B. Guit.

*f*

*mp*

A. Sax.

Synth.

B. Guit.

A. Sax.

Synth.

B. Guit.

A. Sax.

**G**

Synth.

B. Guit.

A. Sax.

**accel.**

Synth.

B. Guit.

(accel.)

106

A. Sax.

Synth.

B. Guit.

(accel.)

109

A. Sax.

Synth.

B. Guit.

(accel.)

112

A. Sax.

Synth.

B. Guit.

$\text{♩} = 132$

f

116

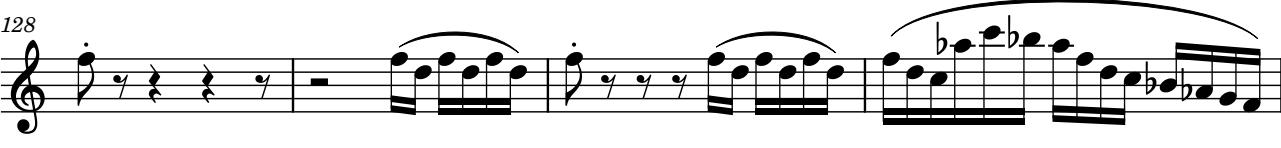
A. Sax.

Synth.

B. Guit.

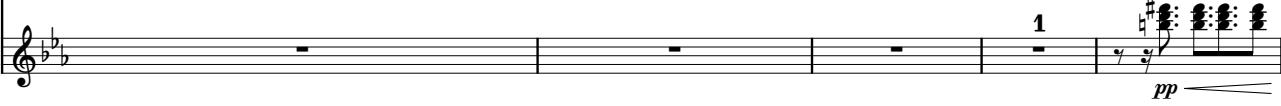
**Cue 5 (effect)**

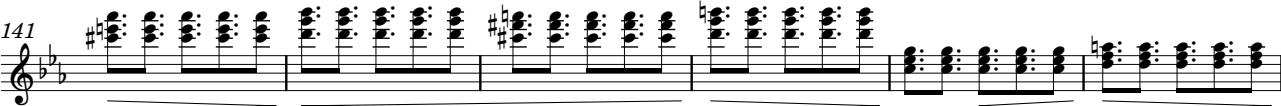
**A. Sax.** 122 

**A. Sax.** 128 

**A. Sax.** 132 

**A. Sax.** 136 
Cue 7 (backing track  
+ delay effect)

**Synth.** 

**Synth.** 141 

**A. Sax.** 147 
F1

**Synth.** 

**A. Sax.** 152 

**Synth.** 

**accel.** - - - - -  $\text{♩} = 144$

Cue 8 (stop delay effect)

A. Sax. 157

D. Kit

Synth.

B. Guit.

163

Synth.

B. Guit.

169

Synth.

B. Guit.

174 [G]

A. Sax.

Synth.

B. Guit.

177

A. Sax.

D. Kit.

Synth.

B. Guit.

**H**

*ff*

*mp*

*fp*

*mp*

*f*

182

A. Sax.

D. Kit.

Synth.

*f*

*fp*

*mp*

186

A. Sax.

D. Kit.

Synth.

*fp*

190

A. Sax.

D. Kit

Synth.

194

A. Sax.

D. Kit

Synth.

198 I

A. Sax.

D. Kit

Synth.

B. Guit.

201

A. Sax.

D. Kit.

Synth.

B. Guit.

202

A. Sax.

D. Kit.

Synth.

B. Guit.

Sharp Cutoff