

A K A S H A
आकाश

for string quartet

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PREFACE

Accidentals. Accidentals govern only one note. Because of this no natural signs appear in the score: G \sharp 4 G4 should be played G \sharp 4 G \flat 4.

Scordatura. The violins are tuned as usual. String IV of the viola is tuned to A \flat 2 (a minor third lower than the usual tuning of C \flat 3). String IV of the cello is tuned to A \flat 1 (a minor third lower than the usual tuning of C \flat 2).

Akasha was written for the JACK Quartet. The piece was premiered by the JACK Quartet on 6 February 2016 in Paine Hall on the campus of Harvard University.

AKASHA

for the JACK Quartet

Trevor Bača

Violin

Violin

Viola

Cello

♩ = 44

♩ = 44

♩ = 55

[1]

[2]

[A1]

[A2]

[A3]

[A4]

Vn.

Vn.

Va.

Vc.

♩ = 44

♩ = 55

[A5]

[A6]

[A7]

[A8]

[A9]

Vn.

Vn.

Va.

Vc.

♩ = 55

[A10]

[A11]

[A12]

[A13]

Vn.

Vn.

Va.

Vc.

♩ = 55

[A14]

[A15]

[A16]

[B1]

26 $\frac{8}{8}$ $\frac{1}{3}$ $\frac{3}{8}$ $\frac{1}{3}$ $\frac{4}{8}$ $\frac{1}{3}$ $\frac{7}{8}$

[B2] [B3] [B4] [B5] [B6] [B7] [B8]

Vn. Vn. Va. Vc.

34 $\frac{6}{4}$ $\frac{1}{3}$ $\frac{4}{4}$ $\frac{6}{4}$

[C1] [C2] [C3] [C4]

Vn. Vn. Va. Vc.

38 $\frac{1}{3}$

[C5] [C6]

Vn. Vn. Va. Vc.

41 $\frac{4}{4}$ $\frac{3}{4}$ $\frac{4}{4}$ $\frac{5}{4}$ $\frac{3}{3}$ $\frac{8}{8}$

[C7] [C8] [C9] [C10] [D] [D1]

Vn. Vn. Va. Vc.

47 $\frac{4}{8}$ $\frac{3}{8}$ $\frac{6}{8}$ $\frac{1}{2}\Delta$ $\frac{7}{8}$ $\frac{4}{8}$ $\frac{8}{8}$ $\frac{9}{8}$ $\frac{7}{8}$
[D2] [D3]

Vn. Vn. Va. Vc.

58 $\frac{3}{8}$ $\frac{1}{2}\Delta$ $\frac{6}{8}$ $\frac{7}{8}$ $\frac{9}{8}$ $\frac{4}{8}$ $\frac{1}{2}\Delta$ $\frac{8}{8}$ $\frac{9}{8}$ $\frac{4}{8}$ $\frac{3}{8}$ $\frac{9}{8}$
[D4] [D5] [D6] [D7]

Vn. Vn. Va. Vc.

70 $\frac{4}{8}$ $\frac{8}{8}$ $\frac{1}{3}$ $\frac{3}{8}$ $\frac{4}{8}$ $\frac{7}{8}$ $\frac{3}{8}$ $\frac{6}{8}$ $\frac{4}{8}$
[D8] [D9] [D10]

$\text{♩} = 55$ $\text{♩} = 126$

Vn. Vn. Va. Vc.

81 $\frac{3}{8}$ $\frac{1}{2}\Delta$ $\frac{6}{8}$ $\frac{7}{8}$ $\frac{3}{8}$ $\frac{8}{8}$ $\frac{9}{8}$ $\frac{4}{8}$ $\frac{3}{3}$ $\frac{3}{3}$
[D11] [D12] [D13]

Vn. Vn. Va. Vc.

92 $\text{♩} = 44$

$\frac{4}{4}$ [E1] $\frac{1}{3}$ [E2] $\frac{6}{4}$ [E3] $\frac{1}{3}$ [E4] $\frac{6}{4}$ [E5] $\frac{1}{3}$ [E6] $\frac{5}{4}$ [E7]

Vn. Vn. Va. Vc.

4:6 5:6 4:6 3:5 4:5

5:6

99 $\text{♩} = 55$

$\frac{1}{3}$ [E8] $\frac{3}{4}$ [E9] $\frac{4}{4}$ [E10] $\frac{5}{4}$ [E11] $\frac{3}{4}$

Vn. Vn. Va. Vc.

4:3 4:3 9:8 9:8 11:10 7:6

7:8 7:8 9:10 5:6

5:3 5:3 10:8 10:8 12:10 8:6

accel. -----

106 $\text{♩} = 89$

[E12] $\frac{6}{4}$ $\frac{4}{4}$ $\frac{6}{4}$ [E13]

Vn. Vn. Va. Vc.

5:4 5:4 7:6 4:3 7:6 7:6 5:4 3:2 5:4 7:6 7:6 4:3 7:6 7:6 7:6

5:4 3:2 7:6 7:6 3:2 5:4 5:4 7:6 4:3 7:6 7:6 4:3 7:6 7:6 4:3 7:6

5:4 3:2 7:6 7:6 5:4 5:4 3:2 7:6 7:6 16:12 16:12

accel. -----

111 $\frac{4}{4}$ $\frac{3}{4}$ $\frac{4}{4}$ [E14] $\frac{5}{4}$

Vn. Vn. Va. Vc.

4:3 7:6 7:6 3:2 5:4 5:4 5:4 3:2 12:8 10:8 9:8 10:8

7:6 7:6 4:3 12:8 6:4 12:8 9:8 10:8 9:8 10:8 12:8

16:12 10:6 10:8 12:8 5:4 12:8 9:8 10:8 12:8 5:4

116 $\frac{3}{4}$ $\text{♩} = 126$ $\frac{4}{4}$ $\frac{5}{4}$ $\frac{4}{4}$

[E15]

Vn. $\frac{10}{8}$ $\frac{12}{8}$ $\frac{5}{4}$ $\frac{12}{8}$ $\frac{6}{4}$ $\frac{12}{8}$ $\frac{9}{8}$ $\frac{10}{8}$ $\frac{9}{8}$ $\frac{12}{8}$ $\frac{6}{4}$ $\frac{12}{8}$

Vn. $\frac{12}{8}$ $\frac{5}{4}$ $\frac{12}{8}$ $\frac{6}{4}$ $\frac{12}{8}$ $\frac{9}{8}$ $\frac{10}{8}$ $\frac{9}{8}$ $\frac{12}{8}$ $\frac{6}{4}$ $\frac{12}{8}$ $\frac{5}{4}$ $\frac{14}{10}$

Va. $\frac{12}{8}$ $\frac{6}{4}$ $\frac{12}{8}$ $\frac{9}{8}$ $\frac{10}{8}$ $\frac{9}{8}$ $\frac{12}{8}$ $\frac{6}{4}$ $\frac{12}{8}$ $\frac{5}{4}$ $\frac{12}{8}$ $\frac{12}{10}$

Vc. $\frac{12}{8}$ $\frac{6}{4}$ $\frac{12}{8}$ $\frac{9}{8}$ $\frac{10}{8}$ $\frac{9}{8}$ $\frac{12}{8}$ $\frac{6}{4}$ $\frac{12}{8}$ $\frac{5}{4}$ $\frac{12}{8}$ $\frac{12}{10}$

122 $\frac{6}{4}$

7:6 16:12 14:12 10:6 13:12 [E16] 18:12 16:12 6:4 11:8 6:4

14:10 14:12 10:6 13:12 10:6 8:6 16:12 13:10 6:4 12:8

12:10 10:6 13:12 10:6 14:12 10:6 15:12 12:8 14:8

126 **6** **5** **3** **3** **3** **J=44**
4 **4** **4** **3** **4** **[F]**
[E17] **[F1]**

Vn. *16:12* *18:12* *7:4* *14:8*

Vn. *18:12* *9:6* *16:10* *14:8*

Va. *9:6* *18:12* *10:6* *14:8* *11:8*

Vc.

132 $\frac{4}{4}$ $\text{♩} = 126$

133 $\frac{5}{4}$ [F2] 14:8 12:8 6:4 3 $\frac{3}{4}$ 11:8 6:4 33 [F3]

134 $\frac{3}{4}$ [F4]

135 $\text{♩} = 55$

Vn. $\frac{4}{4}$

Vn. $\frac{5}{4}$

Va. $\frac{3}{4}$

Vc. $\frac{3}{4}$

137 $\text{♩} = 89$

[F5] **[F6]** **[F7]** **[F8]**

Vn. Vn. Va. Vc.

142 $\frac{6}{4}$ $\frac{4}{4}$

Vn. Vn. Va. Vc.

146 $\frac{6}{4}$ $\frac{5}{4}$ $\frac{3}{4}$

Vn. Vn. Va. Vc.

150 $\frac{4}{4}$ $\frac{5}{4}$ $\frac{3}{4}$

[F9]

Vn. Vn. Va. Vc.

155

6/4

16:10 9:6

4/4 [F10]

14:8 13:10 16:12 18:12

Vn.

Vn.

Va.

Vc.

159

accl. -----

$\frac{4}{4}$ $\frac{3}{4}$

[F11]

18:12 10:6 18:12 7:4 14:8 12:8 6:4 11:8

18:12 16:10 6:4 11:8 14:8

Vn.

Vn.

Va.

Vc.

163 164 165 166 167 168 169 170

4/4 5/4 3/4

126

[F12] [F13]

169

$\frac{4}{4}$

$\frac{5}{4}$

$\frac{4}{4}$

$\frac{3}{8}$

$\frac{6}{4}$

$J = 55$

[F14]

[F15]


Vn.

Vn.

Va.

Vc.

[illegible]

187 

[illegible]

215

♩ = 89

[I4]

$\frac{4}{4}$

[I5]

$\frac{5}{4}$

$\frac{3}{4}$

[I6]

$\frac{4}{4}$

Vn.

Vn.

Va.

Vc.

215

216

217

218

221

rit.

[I7]

[I8]

[I9]

[I10]

[I11]

Vn.

Vn.

Va.

Vc.

259

48

88

98

78

[J15]

33

66

99

[J16]

44

88

33

44

88

[J17]

88

Vn.

Vn.

Va.

Vc.

273

98

[J18]

48

33

66

77

[J19]

[J20]

33

48

33

66

77

[J22]

48

Vn.

Vn.

Va.

Vc.

289

88

[J23]

99

77

[J24]

33

66

77

[J25]

99

48

88

[J26]

99

48

33

Vn.

Vn.

Va.

Vc.

302

98

[J27]

48

88

33

48

77

[J28]

33

66

48

33

66

[J30]

77

33

Vn.

Vn.

Va.

Vc.

11

[illegible]

343

Vn.

Vn.

Va.

Vc.

350

1/3 3/4 4/4 5/4 6/4 4/4

[L11] [L12] [L13] [L14]

Vn. Vn. Va. Vc.

356 **6**
4

M
J = 89

L15
3/8

M1
3/8

4
8

Vn.

Vn.

Va.

Vc.

362

7 3 6 2 [M2] 4 8 6 7

Vn.

Vn.

Va.

Vc.

372

372

