

# The Inaudible Do

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“The Inaudible Do” is an homage to Percy Grainger’s classic “The Immovable Do”. Whereas a C is always present throughout Grainger’s piece, “The Inaudible Do” consciously avoids the note C until the final 3 measures despite being in the key of C major throughout the piece (though also briefly into A minor).

The deception required to feel in key of C Major/A minor is accomplished by implied chords, resonant spacings, and frequent use of extended tertian harmonies.

Percussion key:

Timpani (32”, 29”, 26”, 23” + retunings)

Percussion 1: Suspended Cymbal

Percussion 2: Bass Drum

Percussion 3: Wind Chimes and Crash Cymbal

Percussion 4: Glockenspiel

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dedicated to Percy Aldridge Grainger

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**Wistfully**

$\text{♩} = 72$

Piccolo

Flute 1

Flute 2

Oboe 1 + 2

Bassoon 1 + 2

Clarinet in B♭ 1

Clarinet in B♭ 2

Clarinet in B♭ 3

Bass Clarinet

Alto Saxophone 1+2

Tenor Saxophone

Baritone Saxophone

Trumpet 1

Trumpet 2

Trumpet 3

Horn in F 1 + 2

Horn in F 3 + 4

Trombone 1

Trombone 2

Bass Trombone

Euphonium

Tuba

Timpani

Percussion 1

Percussion 2

Percussion 3

Percussion 4

32" - G, 29" - A, 26" - D, 23" - F

**pp**

Suspended Cymbal

Bass Drum

Wind Chimes

**pp**

Glockenspiel

**pp** — **p** —

**pp** — **p** —

**p**

A

11

Picc.

Fl. 1

Fl. 2

Ob. 1 + 2

*mp*

Bsn. 1 + 2

Cl. 1

Cl. 2

Cl. 3

B. Cl.

A. Sax.

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

Tpt. 1

*mp*

Tpt. 2

*mp*

Tpt. 3

*mp*

Hn. 1+2

Hn. 3+4

Tbn. 1

*p*

Tbn. 2

*p*

B. Tbn.

*p*

Euph.

*p*

Tba.

*p*

Timp.

*p*

Perc. 1

*pp*

*ppp*

Perc. 2

Perc. 3

*pp*

*p*

*pp*

to Crash Cymbal

Perc. 4

21 **B**

Picc.

Fl. 1 1 only *p*

Fl. 2 *p*

Ob. 1 + 2

Bsn. 1 + 2

Cl. 1 *p*

Cl. 2 *p*

Cl. 3 *p*

B. Cl. *p*

A. Sax. *p*

T. Sax. *p*

B. Sax. *p*

Tpt. 1

Tpt. 2

Tpt. 3

Hn. 1+2 *mp*

Hn. 3+4

Tbn. 1 *p*

Tbn. 2 *p*

B. Tbn. *p*

Euph. *p*

Tba. *p*

Timp.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Perc. 3

Perc. 4 *mp*



**D**

37

Picc.

Fl. 1

Fl. 2

Ob. 1 + 2

Bsn. 1 + 2

Cl. 1

Cl. 2

Cl. 3

B. Cl.

A. Sax.

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

Tpt. 1

Tpt. 2

Tpt. 3

Hn. 1+2

Hn. 3+4

Tbn. 1

Tbn. 2

B. Tbn.

Euph.

Tba.

Timp.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Perc. 3

Perc. 4

*(l.v.)*

**E**

45

Picc.

Fl. 1

Fl. 2

Ob. 1 + 2

Bsn. 1 + 2

Cl. 1

Cl. 2

Cl. 3

B. Cl.

A. Sax.

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

Tpt. 1

Tpt. 2

Tpt. 3

Hn. 1+2

Hn. 3+4

Tbn. 1

Tbn. 2

B. Tbn.

Euph.

Tba.

Timp.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Perc. 3

Perc. 4

**23'' - E**

**26'' - C**

mf

Crash Cymbal

to Wind Chimes



57 **G**

Picc.

Fl. 1 *mf*

Fl. 2 *mp*

Ob. 1 + 2 *mf*

Bsn. 1 + 2 *mp*

Cl. 1 *mp*

Cl. 2 *p*

Cl. 3 *p*

B. Cl.

A. Sax. *mp*

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

Tpt. 1

Tpt. 2

Tpt. 3

Hn. 1+2 *mp*

Hn. 3+4

Tbn. 1 *mp*

Tbn. 2 *mp*

B. Tbn. *mp*

Euph. *mp*

Tba. *mp*

Timp. *p*

Perc. 1 *n* *p* *pp*

Perc. 2

Perc. 3 *mp*

Perc. 4 *p*

molto rit.