

# Sun Peaks

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## INSTRUMENTATION

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|--------------------------------|---|
| 1 Conductor                    | 4 Trombone  |
| 8 Flute                        | 2 Baritone  |
| 2 Oboe                         | 2 Baritone Treble Clef  |
| 2 Bassoon                      | 4 Tuba  |
| 4 1st B $\flat$ Clarinet       | 3 Mallet Percussion<br>(Chimes/Xylophone/Bells)                 |
| 4 2nd B $\flat$ Clarinet       | 1 Timpani<br>(Tune: F, G, B $\flat$ , C)                        |
| 2 B $\flat$ Bass Clarinet      | 2 Percussion 1<br>(Snare Drum, Bass Drum)                       |
| 5 E $\flat$ Alto Saxophone     | 3 Percussion 2<br>(Woodblock, Temple Blocks/Triangle)           |
| 2 B $\flat$ Tenor Saxophone    | 3 Percussion 3<br>(Suspended Cymbal/Wind Chimes, Crash Cymbals) |
| 2 E $\flat$ Baritone Saxophone |   |
| 4 1st B $\flat$ Trumpet        |   |
| 4 2nd B $\flat$ Trumpet        |   |
| 4 F Horn                       |   |

### WORLD PARTS

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- Horn in E $\flat$
- Trombone in B $\flat$  Bass Clef
- Trombone in B $\flat$  Treble Clef
- Baritone in B $\flat$  Bass Clef
- Tuba in E $\flat$  Bass Clef
- Tuba in E $\flat$  Treble Clef
- Tuba in B $\flat$  Bass Clef
- Tuba in B $\flat$  Treble Clef

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## PROGRAM NOTES

*Sun Peaks* was composed in recognition of Con Brio Music Festivals' contribution to music and music education by hosting events at both Sun Peaks and Whistler each year for the past decade. Douglas MacCauley and Susan Magnon have been serving as the creative and executive directors of this organization since its inception, which has included adjudication, education and performance venues for talented young people in bands and choirs from around the world.

## NOTES TO THE CONDUCTOR

The piece begins with the "Peaks" motif stated as a fanfare in a brass quartet configuration. In a performance, one might choose to create one or two brass quartets, one for each side of the stage, the venue, off-stage, or from a balcony. The full band joins the optional quartet(s) at measure 9. The suggested tempo of  $\text{♩} = 152$  at measure 19 may be pulled back for playability purposes. (It is often suggested that composers do not know the tempo for their own music, so you make take liberties here!). Pay careful attention to distinguish the difference in the articulation, particularly to the accented-staccato marking in contrast with the staccato-only marking. At measure 35, the brass should work towards a very dark, *sostenuto* sound, with the tempo moving along as established at measure 19. The multi-meter at measure 58 and again at measure 63, the eighth note should remain constant, utilizing a note grouping of 3+2+2, as noted on the score and parts. You may wish to approach the  $\frac{3}{4}$  measure as a  $\frac{6}{8}$  grouping as well (3+3).

Note that the timpani begins with the tuning F, G, B $\flat$  and C, respectively. At measure 43, the musician is instructed to tune the G up one-half step to A $\flat$ . The timpanist is featured from measure 80 to the climatic solo at measure 90. At measure 92, the timpanist is instructed to re-tune the A $\flat$  back to the original pitch of G. From measure 82 to 90, the woodwind section(s) are instructed to play the chromatic pitches completely random; that is, with no set rhythm or order, ascending and descending.

The final statement of the main theme begins at measure 105 and should be played with great resolution and not too fast. The final measures may be conducted with the very last note being of full value—a "symphonic swipe"

It is my hope that you and your students find *Sun Peaks* both musically and educationally rewarding, while being emotionally satisfying for your audiences.



Dedicated to the Con Brio Music Festival  
and the pursuit of excellence in music education

# Sun Peaks

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FULL SCORE  
Approx. Duration - 4:00

**Brilliante** ♩ = 92

Flute

Oboe

Bassoon

1  
B♭ Clarinets

2

B♭ Bass Clarinet

E♭ Alto Saxophone

B♭ Tenor Saxophone

E♭ Baritone Saxophone

**Brilliante** ♩ = 92

1  
B♭ Trumpets

Opt. Soli (quartet) - (see notes to the conductor)

2

Opt. Soli (quartet) - (see notes to the conductor)

Opt. Soli (quartet) - (see notes to the conductor)

F Horn

Opt. Soli (quartet) - (see notes to the conductor)

Trombone

Baritone

Tuba

Mallet Percussion  
(Chimes/Xylophone/Bells)

Chimes

Tune: F, G, B♭, C

Timpani

Percussion 1  
(Snare Drum, Bass Drum)

Percussion 2  
(Woodblock, Temple Blocks/Triangle)

Percussion 3  
(Suspended Cymbal/  
Wind Chimes,  
Crash Cymbals)

1 2 3 4 5 6

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Fl. *f* *acc.*

Ob. *f* *p*

Bsn. *f* *p*

1 Cls. *f* *p*

2 Cls. *f* *p*

B. Cl. *f* *p*

A. Sax. *f* *p*

T. Sax. *f* *p*

Bar. Sax. *f* *p* *acc.*

1 Tpts. *f* *p*

2 Tpts. *f* *p*

Hn. *f* *p*

Tbn. *f* *p*

Bar. *f* *p*

Tuba *f* *p*

Mlt. Perc. *f* *p*

Timp. *f* *p*

Perc. 1 *p* *mf* *p*

Perc. 2

Perc. 3

Cr. Cyms. *f* *p*

19 Lightly ♩ = 152

Fl. *p* *f*

Ob. *p* *f*

Bsn. *mf*

1 Cls. *p* *f*

2 Cls. *p* *f*

B. Cl. *mf*

A. Sax. *mf* (Hn.)

T. Sax. *mf*

Bar. Sax. *mf*

19 Lightly ♩ = 152

1 Tpts. *mf*

2 Tpts. *mf*

Hn. *mf*

Tbn. *mf*

Bar. *mf*

Tuba *mf*

Mlt. Perc. *mf*

Timp. *mf*

Perc. 1 *mf*

Perc. 2 Woodblock *f*  
Temple Blks.

Perc. 3 *mf*

Fl.

Ob.

Bsn.

1  
Cls.

2  
B. Cl.

A. Sax.

T. Sax.

Bar. Sax.

1  
Tpts.

2

Hn.

Tbn.

Bar.

Tuba

Mlt. Perc.

Timp.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Perc. 3

27

(Tbn.) *mf*

(T. Sax.) *mp*

(Bar. Sax.) *mp*

(Tbn.) *mp*

Play >

*mp*

*mp*

*mp*

*mp*

27

*mf*

*mf*

*mf*

*mp*

Triangle

*mp*

Fl.

Ob.

Bsn.

1  
Cls.

2

B. Cl.

A. Sax.

T. Sax.

Bar. Sax.

1  
Tpts.

2

Hn.

Tbn.

Bar.

Tuba

Mlt. Perc.

Timp.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Perc. 3

The musical score for page 8 is arranged in a standard orchestral format. It includes parts for woodwinds (Flute, Oboe, Bassoon, Clarinets, Saxophones), brass (Trumpets, Horns, Trombones, Baritone, Tuba), and percussion (Mallet Percussion, Timpani, and three other percussion instruments). The score is written in a key signature of one flat and a common time signature. A large red watermark reading 'Preview Only - Legal Use Requires Purchase' is overlaid diagonally across the page.





*poco rit.* 43 Gently ♩ = 124

Fl.

Ob.

Bsn.

1  
Cls.

2

B. Cl.

A. Sax.

T. Sax.

Bar. Sax.

*poco rit.* 43 Gently ♩ = 124

1  
Tpts.

2

Hn.

Tbn.

Bar.

Tuba

Mlt. Perc.

Timp.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Perc. 3

Change: G to Ab

Trgl.

*p*

**poco accel.**

Fl. *mf*

Ob. *mf*

Bsn. *mf*

1 Cls. *mf*

2 Cls. *mf*

B. Cl. *mf*

A. Sax.

T. Sax.

Bar. Sax.

**poco accel.**

1 Tpts.

2 Tpts.

Hn.

Tbn.

Bar.

Tuba

Mlt. Perc.

Timp.

Perc. 1 *p*

Perc. 2

Perc. 3

Susp. Cym. *p*

51 Forcefully ♩ = 152

Fl.

Ob.

Bsn.

1  
Cls.

2

B. Cl.

A. Sax.

T. Sax.

Bar. Sax.

51 Forcefully ♩ = 152

1  
Tpts.

2

Hn.

Tbn.

Bar.

Tuba

Mlt. Perc.

Timp.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Perc. 3

*f*

(♩ = ♩) (3+2+2) 58

Fl. *f*

Ob. *f*

Bsn. *mf*

1 Cls. *f*

2 Cls. *mf*

B. Cl. *mf*

A. Sax. *mf*

T. Sax. *mf*

Bar. Sax. *mf*

1 Tpts. *mf*

2 Tpts. *mf*

Hn. *mf*

Tbn. *mf*

Bar. *mf*

Tuba *mf*

Mlt. Perc. *mf*

Xyl. *mf*

Timp. *p* *mf*

Perc. 1 *p* *mf*

Perc. 2

Perc. 3 *p* *f*

(♩ = ♩) (3+2+2)

Fl.

Ob.

Bsn.

1  
Cls.

2

B. Cl.

A. Sax.

T. Sax.

Bar. Sax.

1  
Tpts.

2

Hn.

Tbn.

Bar.

Tuba

Mlt. Perc.

Timp.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Perc. 3

Susp. Cym.

*fp*

*fp*

*fp*

*fp*

*fp*

*fp*

*fp*

*fp*

*fp*

*fp*

*fp*

*fp*

*fp*

*f*

*p*

66

Fl. *f*

Ob. *f*

Bsn. *f*

1 Cls. *f*

2 Cls. *f*

B. Cl. *f*

A. Sax. *f*

T. Sax. *f*

Bar. Sax. *f*

66

1 Tpts. *f*

2 Tpts. *f*

Hn. *f*

Tbn. *f*

Bar. *f*

Tuba *f*

Mlt. Perc.

Timp.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Perc. 3

*mf*

Fl.

Ob.

Bsn.

1  
Cls.

2

B. Cl.

A. Sax.

T. Sax.

Bar. Sax.

1  
Tpts.

2

Hn.

Tbn.

Bar.

Tuba

Mlt. Perc.

Timp.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Perc. 3

74

*mp*

*mf*

*mf*

*f*  
Trgl.

*mp*  
Temple Blks.





82

Fl. *sfz*

Ob. *sfz*

Bsn. *sfz* *mp* *cresc.*

1 *sfz* *mp* *cresc.*  
As fast as possible, random up & down (swirl)

2 *sfz* *mp* *cresc.*  
As fast as possible, random up & down (swirl)

B. Cl. *sfz* *mp* *cresc.*  
As fast as possible, random up & down (swirl)

A. Sax. *sfz* *mp* *cresc.*  
As fast as possible, random up & down (swirl)

T. Sax. *sfz* *mp* *cresc.*  
As fast as possible, random up & down (swirl)

Bar. Sax. *sfz* *mp* *cresc.*

1 *sfz*

2 *sfz*

Hn. *sfz*

Tbn. *sfz*

Bar. *sfz* *mp* *cresc.*

Tuba *sfz* *mp* *cresc.*

Mlt. Perc. *sfz*

Timp. *f* *mp*

Perc. 1 *sfz* *mp*

Perc. 2

Perc. 3

Cr. Cyms. *ff*

The musical score for page 19 features the following instruments and parts:

- Fl.:** Flute
- Ob.:** Oboe
- Bsn.:** Bassoon
- Cls.:** Clarinet (1 and 2 staves)
- B. Cl.:** Bass Clarinet
- A. Sax.:** Alto Saxophone
- T. Sax.:** Tenor Saxophone
- Bar. Sax.:** Baritone Saxophone
- Tpts.:** Trumpets (1 and 2 staves)
- Hn.:** Horns
- Tbn.:** Trombone
- Bar.:** Baritone
- Tuba:** Tuba
- Mlt. Perc.:** Milt. Perc.
- Timp.:** Timpani
- Perc. 1, 2, 3:** Percussion

Dynamic markings include *mf* (mezzo-forte) and *mp* (mezzo-piano).

As fast as possible, random up & down (swirl)

Fl. *f* *ff*

Ob. *f* *ff*

Bsn. *f* *ff*

1 Cls. *ff*

2 Cls. *ff*

B. Cl. *ff*

A. Sax. *ff*

T. Sax. *ff*

Bar. Sax. *f* *ff*

1 Tpts. *f* *ff*

2 Tpts. *f* *ff*

Hn. *f* *ff*

Tbn. *f* *ff*

Bar. *f* *ff*

Tuba *f* *ff*

Mlt. Perc. *f* *ff*

Timp. *f* *ff* *p* *sfz* *fz*

Perc. 1 *f* *fp* *f* *sfz*

Perc. 2 Trgl. *ff*

Perc. 3 Susp. Cym. *ff*

Cr. Cyms. *ff*

Change: Ab to G

90

90

*p* *mf*

Fl.

Ob.

Bsn.

1  
Cls.

2

B. Cl.

A. Sax.

T. Sax.

Bar. Sax.

1  
Tpts.

2

Hn.

Tbn.

Bar.

Tuba

Mlt. Perc.

Timp.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Perc. 3

Susp. Cym.

W. C.

*p* *fz* *f* *rit.* *mf* *ff* *fz* *mf*

97 Broadly ♩ = 92

Fl. *mp*

Ob. *mp*

Bsn. *p* *mf* *p*

1 Cls. *p* *mf* *p*

2 Cls. *p* *mf* *p*

B. Cl. *mp* *mf* *mp*

A. Sax. *p* *mf* *p*

T. Sax. *pp* *mp* *mf* *mp*

Bar. Sax. *mp* *mf* *mp*

97 Broadly ♩ = 92 Solo

1 Tpts. *pp* *mf*

2 Tpts. *pp*

Hn. *pp* *mp* *mf* *mp*

Tbn. *pp*

Bar. *pp* *mp* *mf* *mp*

Tuba *mp* *mf* *mp*

Mlt. Perc. Bells *mp*

Timp. *p* *mp* *p*

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Perc. 3 W. C. *mf* Susp. Cym. *p* *mf*

poco accel. 105 Resolute ♩ = 126

Fl.

Ob.

Bsn.

Cls. 1

Cls. 2

B. Cl.

A. Sax.

T. Sax.

Bar. Sax.

Tpts. 1

Tpts. 2

Hn.

Tbn.

Bar.

Tuba

Mlt. Perc.

Timp.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Perc. 3

poco accel. 105 Resolute ♩ = 126

All >

Cr. Cyms.

Fl.

Ob.

Bsn.

1  
Cls.

2

B. Cl.

A. Sax.

T. Sax.

Bar. Sax.

1  
Tpts.

2

Hn.

Tbn.

Bar.

Tuba

Mlt. Perc.

Timp.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Perc. 3

Susp. Cym.





*molto rall.*

115

Fl.

Ob.

Bsn.

1

Cls.

2

B. Cl.

A. Sax.

T. Sax.

Bar. Sax.

115

1

Tpts.

2

Hn.

Tbn.

Bar.

Tuba

Mlt. Perc.

Timp.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Perc. 3

*fp* *f* *ff* *sfz* *p* *f* *ff*

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