Eighth Note Publications

In Dreams

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In Dreams is a musical representation of exactly what our dreams are like: peaceful, calming, horrific, and unpredictable; yet, there is always something to remember about them when we wake up. This piece reflects that by manipulating a memorable eighth note motif through various styles, feels, tempos and instrumentation.

The piece opens with an eerie melody in parts 2 and 5 while parts 1 and 3 play the harmonic role in the introduction.

The song explodes into measure 10 through an *accelerando*, starting in measure 8, and strong dynamics and articulation. Be careful the instruments are not overblown here as the music is unison material and will be strong on its own.

Another important part of this piece is the feel that begins in measure 20. Be sure to watch articulation and tempo between the bass line and parts 2 and 3, as well as other parts throughout sections similar to this one.

Finally, measure 54 calls for most performers to "shush", which is a representation of the wind. Have part 2 continue to say the syllable until all other instruments begin playing in measure 55, in order to keep a smooth transition with the music into that measure

PARTS:

PART 1 - Flute, Oboe, Clarinet

PART 2 - Flute, Oboe, Clarinet

PART 3 - Clarinet, Alto Saxophone, F Horn

PART 4 - Alto Saxophone, Tenor Saxophone

PART 5 - Bass Clarinet, Bassoon Baritone Saxophone

Ryan Meeboer is a music educator who obtained his degree through the Ontario Institute for Studies in Education at the University of Toronto. As a composer, he has written and arranged many pieces for students in concert and jazz bands, and has also composed and arranged pieces for small university combos. As a performer, he has had experience in several groups, including concert and stage bands, chamber choir, vocal jazz ensemble, pop groups, acoustic duets, and the Hamilton based swing group, The Main Swing Connection.

Ryan Meeboer began studying music at the age of seven through private guitar lessons. During his years in elementary and secondary school, Ryan gained experience in several families of instruments. Focusing on music education and theory (including composition and orchestration), he attended McMaster University to achieve his honours degree in music.

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