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CONDUCTOR SCORE

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The Spirit Box

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INSTRUMENTATION

Conductor Score	1	Trombone.....	6
Flute	10	Euphonium B.C.....	2
Oboe	2	Euphonium T.C.....	2
B♭ Clarinet	12	Tuba.....	4
B♭ Bass Clarinet.....	2	Mallet Percussion: Chimes, Bells	4
Bassoon	2	Timpani.....	1
E♭ Alto Saxophone.....	8	Percussion 1: Snare Drum, Bass Drum, Wind Chimes.....	3
B♭ Tenor Saxophone	2	Percussion 2: Crash Cymbals, Suspended Cymbal, Gong, Cabasa.....	2
E♭ Baritone Saxophone	2	Percussion 3: Concert Toms (2), Triangle, Temple Blocks.....	2
B♭ Trumpet	10		
F Horn	4		

PROGRAM NOTE

A spirit box is an electronic device used to create white noise through various radio frequencies. Theorists believe this allows paranormal entities to communicate by channeling energy through the frequencies, giving way to sound. Evidence can be found of whispers and voices known as EVP's - Electronic Voice Phenomenon. An EVP is typically brief, usually the length of a few words or short sentences. Listen closely for this effect at different points in the piece.

NOTES TO CONDUCTOR

The whispering section should be a simple effect without noticeable words or phrases. Encourage your band members to use different syllables to achieve this effect. The idea is to have the audience wondering what is being said, much like an EVP.

I hope this piece brings a change of pace to your program and that your audience and musicians enjoy the performance!

ABOUT THE COMPOSER



Bryce Newton (b. 1983) is a composer, arranger, and music educator in Dayton, Ohio. He has been a high school and middle school band director since 2006, and currently serves on the faculty of the Kettering City Schools in Kettering, Ohio as the Director of Jazz Ensembles and Band Director at Van Buren Middle School.

Bryce's compositions for band have been performed across the globe, including works at the Midwest International Band & Orchestra convention in Chicago, as well as the Thailand International Band & Orchestra Festival. He was named a composer of a "top 100" new work for wind band in 2020 by Bandworld Magazine. Currently, his works are on state festival lists in both Texas and Indiana in the concert band and jazz ensemble categories.

Bryce holds a Bachelor of Music Education degree from Miami University in Oxford, Ohio. His music for concert and jazz ensembles is published exclusively with the RWS Music Company and the C.L. Barnhouse Company.

THE SPIRIT BOX

Conductor Score

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Bryce Newton (ASCAP)

Allegro ♩ = 136

Flute
Oboe
B♭ Clarinet
B♭ Bass Clarinet
Bassoon
E♭ Alto Saxophone
B♭ Tenor Saxophone
E♭ Baritone Saxophone

Allegro ♩ = 136

B♭ Trumpet
F Horn
Trombone
Euphonium B.C.
Tuba

Mallet Percussion
Chimes
Bells

Timpani
G, C, E

Percussion 1
Snare Drum
Bass Drum
Wind Chimes

Percussion 2
Crash Cymbals
Suspended Cymbal
Gong
Cabasa

Percussion 3
Concert Toms (2)
Triangle
Temple Blocks

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Fl. Play *mf*

Ob. Play *mf*

Clar. Play *mp*

B. Cl. *mf*

Bsn. *mf*

A. Sax Play *mf*

T. Sax

B. Sax *mf*

7

Trpt.

F Hn. Play *mp*

Tbn. *mf*

Euph. B.C. *mf*

Tuba *mf*

Mlt. *mf*

Timp. *mf*

Perc. 1

Perc. 2 Cabasa *mp*

Perc. 3 *mf*

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Fl.

Ob.

Clar.

B. Cl.

Bsn.

A. Sax

T. Sax

B. Sax

Trpt.

F Hn.

Tbn.

Euph. B.C.

Tuba

Mlt.

Timp.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Perc. 3

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Musical score page 31. The score includes staves for Flute, Oboe, Clarinet, Bassoon, Trombone, Alto Saxophone, Tenor Saxophone, and Baritone Saxophone. Measures 31-37 are shown. Dynamics include *mp* and *f*.

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Musical score page 31 continuing. The score includes staves for Trombone, French Horn, Tuba, Euphonium/Bass Clarinet, and Tuba. Measures 31-37 are shown. Dynamics include *mp* and *f*.

Musical score page 31 continuing. The score includes staves for Mallets, Timpani, Percussion 1 (Cabasa), Percussion 2 (Temple Blocks), and Percussion 3 (Toms). Measures 31-37 are shown. Dynamics include *mp* and *f*.

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Fl. Whispers *p*

Ob. Whispers *p*

Clar. Whispers *p*

B. Cl. Whispers *p*

Bsn. Whispers *p*

A. Sax Whispers *p*

T. Sax Whispers *p*

B. Sax Whispers *p*

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Trpt. Blow air through instrument *p*

F Hn. Blow air through instrument *p*

Tbn. Blow air through instrument *p*

Euph. B.C. Blow air through instrument *p*

Tuba Blow air through instrument *p*

Mlt. Chimes *p*

Timp. *f* *p*

Perc. 1 *f* Cr. Cym. *p* *mf* Cymbal dome with stick *p* *f*

Perc. 2 *f* *mp* Sus. Cym. scrape *p* Gong Scrape *p* Triangle

Perc. 3 *f*

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