

THE INFERNNO

Movement From THE DIVINE COMEDY

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DIVINE COMEDY

The movement work based on Dante Alighieri's literary classic of the same name. The basic plot of the trilogy is very basic: One day Dante finds himself lost in a dark wood. He meets Virgil, the revered Roman poet, appears and rescues him. Virgil leads Dante through the realms of Hell and Purgatory. Dante, having confessed his faults, and finally meets Beatrice, who leads him into Paradise and attains a glimpse of the face of God.

"Inferno" consists of three movements in *The Divine Comedy*. Dante's vision of hell consists of nine circles. The movement work is divided into four categories of sin. The principal theme behind the literature is divine retribution. In other words, man's eternal damnation in Hell is directly proportional to the gravity and weight of his sin on earth.

Dante's journey through Hell is divided into four sections. The opening melodic statement of the oboe represents the sins of "incontinence." As Dante finishes his relatively short journey through the first circle, he is confronted with the Wall of Dis (the gate into Hell). The next section features the sins of "violence" with its incredibly intense storms and winds. "Treacherous fraud" follow the violent sinners. The composer used the sinners as the formation of this section of the musical work. Dante describes the sinners as walking endlessly in a circle, clothed in coats of lead, which represent the weight of their sins.

The final section of the movement features the sins of "treacherous fraud." As Dante enters this circle of Hell, he hears a terrible blast of a bugle. "Not even Roland's horn, which followed on the last stand of the Saracens, had lost his holy army, was as dread as this." Dante and Virgil lowered themselves down the flanks of Hell by giants who are constantly pelted with bolts of thunder. Their journey down the flanks of Hell are confronted with the sight of Dis (Lucifer) whose three heads are Brutus, Cassius, and Cassius. Dante and Virgil climb down the flanks of Lucifer, emerging into the upper atmosphere, leaving the fiery world of "The Inferno" behind.

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SYMPHONIC

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INSTRUMENTATION

- | | |
|---|---|
| 1 | Conductor |
| 1 | C Piccolo |
| 3 | 1st C Flute |
| 3 | 2nd C Flute |
| 2 | Oboe |
| 3 | 1st B♭ Clarinet |
| 3 | 2nd B♭ Clarinet |
| 3 | 3rd B♭ Clarinet |
| 2 | B♭ Bass Clarinet |
| 1 | E♭ Contrabass Clarinet |
| 2 | Bassoon |
| 2 | 1st E♭ Alto Saxophone |
| 2 | 2nd E♭ Alto Saxophone |
| 2 | B♭ Tenor Saxophone |
| 2 | E♭ Baritone Saxophone |
| 2 | 1st B♭ Trumpet |
| 2 | 2nd B♭ Trumpet |
| 2 | 3rd B♭ Trumpet |
| 1 | 1st Horn in F |
| 1 | 2nd Horn in F |
| 1 | 3rd Horn in F |
| 1 | 4th Horn in F |
| 2 | 1st Trombone |
| 2 | 2nd Trombone |
| 2 | 3rd Trombone |
| 2 | Baritone |
| 1 | Baritone T.C. |
| 1 | Piano |
| 4 | Tuba |
| 2 | Mallet Percussion (Bells, Marimba, Xylophone, Chimes) |
| 1 | Timpani |
| 2 | Percussion I (Tom-Toms, Bass Drum, Triangle) |
| 2 | Percussion II (Tam-Tam, Heavy Chain, Whip, Triangle) |
| 2 | Percussion III (Crash Cymbals, Suspended Cymbal, Wind Chimes) |

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THE INFERNO

(from the "Divine Comedy")

ROBERT W. SMITH

CONDUCTOR

Lamenting $\text{J} = 72$ 

C Piccolo

C Flutes 1 2

Oboe Solo *mf freely*

B♭ Clarinets 1 2 3

B♭ Bass Clarinet

E♭ Contrabass Clarinet

Bassoon

E♭ Alto Saxophones 1 2 Solo *mf freely*

B♭ Tenor Saxophone

E♭ Baritone Saxophone Lamenting $\text{J} = 72$

B♭ Trumpets 1 2 3

Horns in F 1 2 3 4

Trombones 1 2 3

Baritone

Tuba

Piano

Mallet Percussion

Timpani

Percussion I

Percussion II

Percussion III

Picc.

Fls. 1 2

Ob.

Cts. 1 2

B. Cl.

Cb. Cl.

Bsn.

A. Saxes 1 2

T. Sax.

Bar. Sax.

Tpt. 1 2

Tpt. 3

Hn. 1 2

Tba. 1 2

Tba. 3

Tba. 4

Tba. 5

3

6

7

8

Picc.
Fls.
Ob.
1
2
3
Cls.
B. Cl.
Cb. CL.
Bsn.
A. Saxex.
T. Sax.
Bar. Sax.
1
2
3
Tpu.
Hns. in F.
1
2
3
Tpt.
Tbn.
Tba.
1
2
3
4
5
6
7
8
9
10
11
12
13
14
15
16

Conductor - 4

Archivo-Jaime Cores

Picc.
Fls.
Ob.
1
2
3
Cls.
B. Cl.
Cb. CL.
Bsn.
A. Saxex.
T. Sax.
Bar. Sax.
1
2
3
Tpu.
Hns. in F.
1
2
3
Tpt.
Tbn.
Tba.
1
2
3
4
5
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7
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9
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11
12
13
14
15
16

Conductor - 4

Archivo-Jaime Cores

Conductor - 5

With intensity $J = 172$

20

Picc.

Fls.

Ob.

1 Cls.

2 Cls.

3 Cls.

B. Cl.

Cb. Cl.

Bsn.

A. Saxos.

T. Sax.

Bar. Sax.

1 Tpts.

2 Tpts.

3 Tpts.

Hns. in F

1 Tbns.

2 Tbns.

3 Tbns.

Bar.

Tuba

Pno.

Mlt. Perc.

Timp.

Perc. I

Perc. II

Perc. III



Conductor - 6

Archivo-Jaime Cores

Picc.

Fls.

Ob.

T

C

S

Ba

Ca

Bsn

A

T Sopr.

Bass Sopr.

Tenor

Bass

Flute

Clarinet

Saxophone

Double Bass

Musical score for orchestra, page 21 to 24. The score includes parts for Piccolo, Flutes, Oboe, Trombone, Clarinet, Bassoon, Alto, Tenor Soprano, Bass Soprano, Bassoon, Alto, Tenor, Bass, Flute, Clarinet, Saxophone, and Double Bass. The score shows various musical staves with notes and rests. Measure 21 starts with a dynamic of f . Measures 22 and 23 show sustained notes. Measure 24 begins with a dynamic of mp .

Conductor - 7

28

Picc.
Flx.
Ob.
Cts.
B. Cl.
Cb. Cl.
Bsn.
A. Sax.
T. Sax.
Bar. Sax.
Tpus.
Hns. in F
Tbns.
Bar.
Tuba
Pno.
Mlt. Perc.
Timp.
Perc. I
Perc. II
Perc. III

25 26 27 28

A page of a musical score for orchestra, showing staves for Picc., Fl., Ob., Tpt., Tbn., Tba., and Tim. The score is divided into measures by vertical bar lines. The Picc. staff has a continuous eighth-note pattern. The Fl. staff has a continuous eighth-note pattern. The Ob. staff has a continuous eighth-note pattern. The Tpt. staff has a continuous eighth-note pattern. The Tbn. staff has a continuous eighth-note pattern. The Tba. staff has a continuous eighth-note pattern. The Tim. staff has a continuous eighth-note pattern. The score is divided into measures by vertical bar lines.

Conductor - 9

Picc.

Fls.

Ob.

1

Cls.

2

3

B. Cl.

Cb. Cl.

Bsn.

A. Saxes.

T. Sax.

Bar. Sax.

1

Tpts.

2

3

Hns. in F

1

2

3

4

1

Tbns.

2

3

Bar.

Tuba

Pno.

Mlt. Perc.

Timp.

Perc. I

Perc. II

Perc. III



Conductor - 10

44

Picc.

Fls.

Oboe

2 cl.

3 cl.

B.C.

2 cl.

1 cl.

Tpt.

Tba.

vcl.

p

38 39 40 41 42 43 44

Conductor - II

Picc.

Fls.

Ob.

1 Cls.

2 Cls.

3 Cls.

B. Cl.

Cb. Cl.

Bsn.

A. Saxes.

T. Sax.

Bar. Sax.

1 Tpls.

2 Tpls.

3 Tpls.

Hns. in F

1 Tbn.

2 Tbn.

3 Tbn.

Bar.

Tuba

Pno.

Mit. Perc.

Tim.

Perc. I

Perc. II

Perc. III

45 46 47 48 49 50 51 52

60

Picc.

Fls.

Ob.

C1

C2

B cl.

A cl.

Bass

A. Saxes

T. Sax.

Bar. Sax.

Tpts.

Hns. in F.

Tbrs.

Bar.

Tuba

Pno.

Mlt. Perc.

Timp.

Perc. I.

Perc. II.

Perc. III.

53

54

55

56

57

58

59

60

Conductor - 13

Musical score page showing measures 61 through 67 for a large orchestra. The score includes parts for Picc., Fls., Ob., Cls. 1-3, B. Cl., Cb. Cl., Bsn., A. Sax., T. Sax., Bar. Sax., Tpts. 1-3, Hns. in F 1-4, Tbns. 1-3, Bar., Tuba, Pno., Mlt. Perc., Timp., Perc. I, Perc. II, and Perc. III.

The score consists of 15 staves of music. Measure 61 starts with Picc., Fls., and Ob. playing eighth-note patterns. Measures 62-63 show various woodwind and brass entries. Measure 64 features a prominent piano part. Measures 65-66 show a rhythmic pattern involving multiple instruments. Measure 67 concludes with a dynamic ff.

Picc.

Fs

Ob

Cx

2

3

B Cl.

G A

Bm

A Sopr.

T Sopr.

Bass Sopr.

Tbn

Horn

Perc.

Conductor - 14

69 70 71 72 73 74 75

Conductor - 15

76

Picc.

Fls.

Ob.

Cl. 1

Cl. 2

Cl. 3

B. Cl.

Cb. Cl.

Bsn.

A. Saxes.

T. Sax.

Bar. Sax.

Tpts. 1

Tpts. 2

Tpts. 3

Hns. in F 1

Hns. in F 2

Hns. in F 3

Hns. in F 4

Tbn. 1

Tbn. 2

Tbn. 3

Bar.

Tuba

Pno.

Mlt. Perc.

Timp.

Perc. I

Perc. II

Perc. III

76

77

78

79

80

81

82

83

A page from a musical score for orchestra, showing staves for various instruments. The instruments listed on the left are Picc., Fls., Ob., 1, 2, 3, B.C., A.A., Bass, T.m., F., T.p., H.m., and Drums. The score includes measures 85 through 90, with measure 85 starting with a Picc. note. Measures 85-87 feature woodwind entries, while measures 88-90 focus on brass and percussion.

Conductor - 17

96

91 92 93 94 95 96 97 98

J = 56

Prc.

Flm.

Ob.

Cl.

2

3

4

5

6

7

8

9

10

11

12

13

14

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16

17

18

19

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21

22

23

24

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28

29

30

31

32

33

molto rull.

100

101

102

103

104

105

106

107

108

*molto rull.**molto rull.*

Conductor - 19

109

Impending doom $\text{J} = 76$

Picc.
Fls.
Ob.
1
Cl.
2
3
B. Cl.
ff p
Cb. Cl.
ff p
Bsn.
ff p
A. Saxes.
T. Sax.
Bar. Sax.

109 Impending doom $\text{J} = 76$

1
Tpls.
2
3
Hns. in F
1
2
3
4
1
2
3
Bar.
Tuba
ff p
Pno.
Mlt. Perc.
Timp.
Perc. I
Perc. II
Perc. III

Solo

Wind Chimes

109

110

111

112

113

114

Labeled J = 56

117

Picc.
Fls.
Oh
C₄
C₅
B cl
A cl
T.Sax
A.Sax
Bar.Sax
Tpt.
Horn
Tuba
Wooden floor

Footsteps

Solo (mournful)

(cue: F Horn 1-2)
(cue: F Horn 3)

Footsteps

Footsteps

Footsteps

Footsteps

Footsteps

Footsteps

Footsteps

Footsteps

Footsteps

(on wooden floor)

Conductor - 21

Picc.

Fls.

Ob.

Cls. 1

Cls. 2

Cls. 3

B. Cl.

Cb. Cl.

Bsn.

A. Saxes.

T. Sax.

Bar. Sax.

Tpts. 1

Tpts. 2

Tpts. 3

Hns. in F 1

Hns. in F 2

Hns. in F 3

Hns. in F 4

Tbns. 1

Tbns. 2

Tbns. 3

Bar.

Tuba

Pno.

Mlt. Perc.

Timp.

Perc. I

Perc. II

Perc. III

125

Dust of Glass

Picc.
Fls.
Oh.
C1
C2
S1
S2
A1
T1
T2
Hn.
Bsn.

125

126

127

128

Conductor - 23

selected players
mournful wail

Measures 129-134

Instrumentation:

- Picc.
- Fls.
- Ob.
- Cl. 1, 2, 3
- B. Cl.
- Cb. Cl.
- Bsn.
- A. Saxes.
- T. Sax.
- Bar. Sax.
- Tpts.
- Hns. in F
- Tbrns.
- Bar.
- Tuba
- Pno.
- Mit. Perc.
- Timp.
- Perc. I
- Perc. II
- Perc. III

Performance Instructions:

- Measure 133: selected players mournful wail
- Measure 133 (Tpt. 1): Play \overline{b} $\overline{\text{p}}$
- Measure 133 (Tpt. 2): Play $\overline{\text{b}}$ $\overline{\text{p}}$ div. $\overline{\text{ff}}$ $\overline{\text{p}}$
- Measure 133 (Hns. in F): $\overline{\text{ff}}$ $\overline{\text{p}}$
- Measure 133 (Tbrns. 1): $\overline{\text{ff}}$ $\overline{\text{p}}$
- Measure 133 (Tbrns. 2): $\overline{\text{ff}}$ $\overline{\text{p}}$
- Measure 133 (Tbrns. 3): $\overline{\text{ff}}$ $\overline{\text{p}}$
- Measure 133 (Tbrns. 4): $\overline{\text{ff}}$ $\overline{\text{p}}$
- Measure 133 (Bar.): $\overline{\text{ff}}$ $\overline{\text{p}}$
- Measure 133 (Tuba): $\overline{\text{ff}}$
- Measure 133 (Pno.): $\overline{\text{ff}}$ $\overline{\text{ff}}$ $\overline{\text{ff}}$ $\overline{\text{ff}}$ $\overline{\text{ff}}$
- Measure 133 (Mit. Perc.): $\overline{\text{ff}}$
- Measure 133 (Timp.): $\overline{\text{ff}}$ $\overline{\text{ff}}$
- Measure 133 (Perc. I): $\overline{\text{ff}}$ $\overline{\text{ff}}$ $\overline{\text{ff}}$ Whip
- Measure 133 (Perc. II): $\overline{\text{ff}}$ no ring $\overline{\text{ff}}$
- Measure 133 (Perc. III): $\overline{\text{ff}}$

Footsteps

Picc.

Fls.

Ob.

C1

C2

C3

B Cl

C Cl

Bsn.

A. Sopr.

T. Sopr.

Bass Sopr.

Tpt. 1

Tpt. 2

Horn in F

Tbn. 1

Tbn. 2

Tbn. 3

Bass

Tuba

Perc. I

Perc. II

Perc. III

Conductor - 25

140 Alarming $\text{J} = 56$

Picc.

Fls.

Ob.

1 Cls.

2 Cls.

3 Cls.

B. Cl.

Cb. Cl.

Bsn.

A. Saxos.

T. Sax.

Bar. Sax.

140 Alarming $\text{J} = 56$
St. Mute *freely*

Tpts. 1
Tpts. 2
Tpts. 3

Hns. in F 1
Hns. in F 2
Hns. in F 3
Hns. in F 4

Tbns. 1
Tbns. 2
Tbns. 3

Bar.

Tuba

Pno.

Mit. Perc.

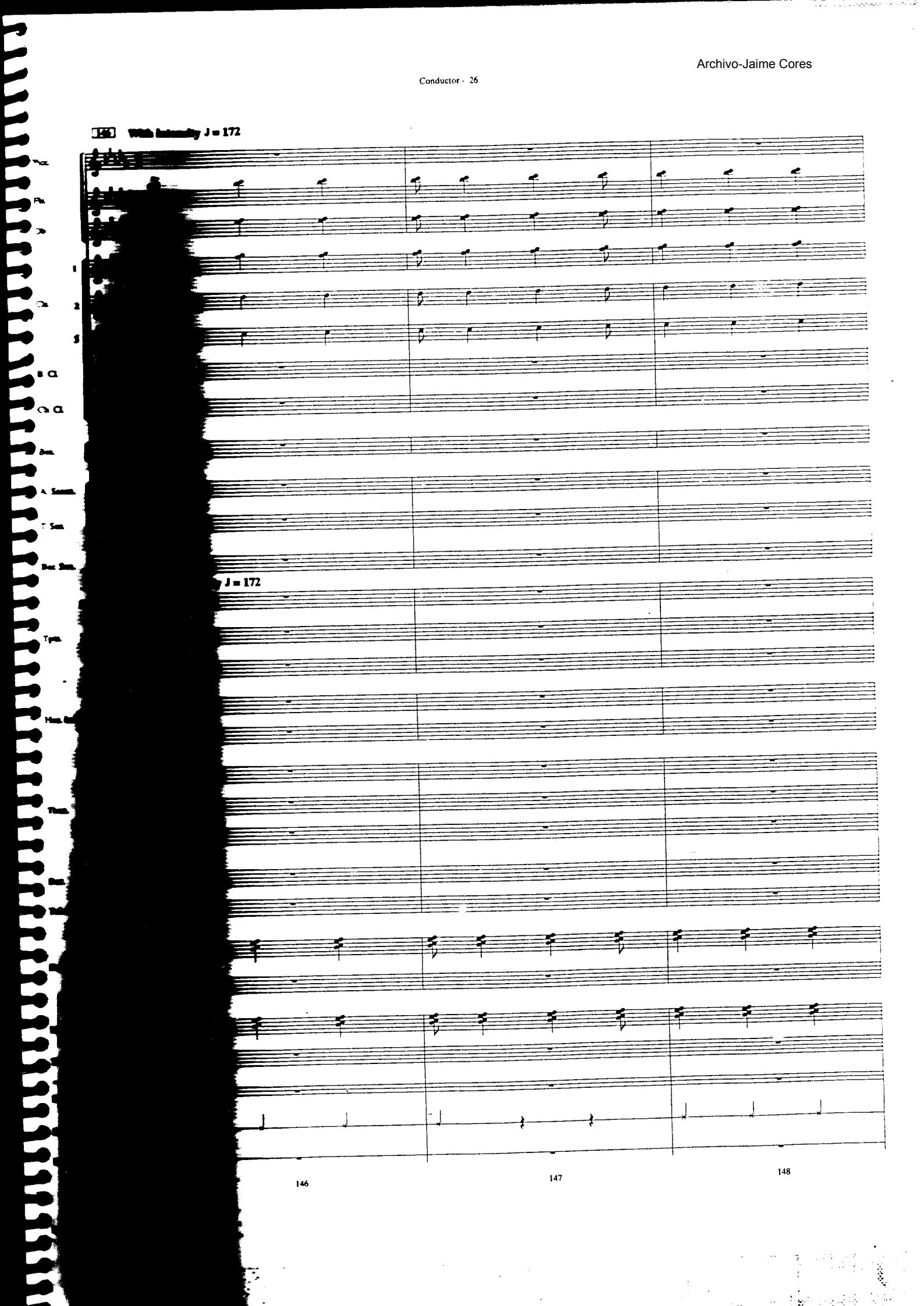
Timp.

Perc. I

Perc. II

Perc. III

Wind Chimes



M. con brio J = 172

Picc.

Fls.

Ob.

1 Cl.

2 Cl.

3 Cl.

B. Cl.

Cb. Cl.

Bsn.

A. Saxes.

T. Sax.

Bac. Sax.

1 Tpts.

2 Tpts.

3 Tpts.

Hns. in F

1 Tbn.

2 Tbn.

3 Tbn.

Bar.

Tuba

Pno.

Mlt. Perc.

Timp.

Perc. I

Perc. II

Perc. III

Conductor - 27

149 150 151 152 153

Susp. Cym.

154

Picc.
Fls.
Ob.
Cx.
B. Cl.
G. Cl.
Bass
A. Sopr.
T. Sopr.
Bass Sopr.
Tym.
Hi-hat
Snare

154 155 156 157

Conductor - 29

162

Picc.

Fls.

Ob.

1

Cls. 2

3

B. Cl.

Cb. Cl.

Bsn.

A. Saxes.

T. Sax.

Bar. Sax.

1

2

3

Tpts.

Hns. in F

1

Tbns. 2

3

Bar.

Tuba

Pno.

Mit. Perc.

Tim.

Perc. I

Perc. II

Perc. III

Picc.
Fls.
Ob.
Cx.
B. Cl.
C. Cl.
Bsn.
A. Sopr.
T. Sopr.
Bar. Sopr.
Tpt.
Fag.
Tuba

164 165 166 167 168 169

Conductor - 31

170

Picc.
Fls.
Ob.
Cls.
B. Cl.
Cb. Cl.
Bsn.
A. Sax.
T. Sax.
Bar. Sax.
Tpts.
Hns. in F
Tbns.
Bar.
Tuba
Pno.
Mit. Perc.
Timp.
Perc. I
Perc. II
Perc. III

170

171

172

173

174

175

176

$J = 56$

Picc.
Fls.
Ob.
C4
B.C.
C.B.C.
Bassoon
Alto Soprano
Tenor Soprano
Bass Soprano
Trombone
Perc. I
Perc. II
Perc. III

178 179 180 181 182 183 184 185

Conductor - 33

186

Picc.
Fls.
Ob.
Cl.
B. Cl.
Cb. Cl.
Bsn.
A. Saxes.
T. Sax.
Bar. Sax.

186 *ff* *div.*
Tpis.
Hns. in F
Tbns.
Bar.
Tuba
Pno.
Mlt. Perc.
Timp.
Perc. I
Perc. II
Perc. III

This musical score page shows a dynamic section starting at measure 186. The instrumentation includes Piccolo, Flutes, Oboe, Clarinet 1, Clarinet 2, Bassoon, Alto Saxophone, Tenor Saxophone, Baritone Saxophone, Trombones 1, Trombones 2, Trombones 3, Bass Trombone, Piano, Military Percussion, Chimes, Timpani, and three Percussionists (Perc. I, Perc. II, Perc. III). The dynamics are primarily *ff* (fortissimo) and *ff p* (fortissimo piano), with various dynamics like *ff p*, *p*, and *f* interspersed. Measures 186 through 191 are shown, with measure 186 being the primary focus of the dynamic section. The score uses standard musical notation with stems and arrows indicating direction.



Pic.
Fls.
Ob.
C
2
3
4
5
6
7
8
9
A Sopr.
T Sopr.
Bar Sopr.
Bass
Timp.
Horn
Perc.
Triangle

random à la church bells

Flutter tongue

sfp Flutter tongue

sfp

Fade w/random accents

s

(in cue)

Solo

f

p

rit.

Fade w/random accents

Fade w/random accents

193 194 195 196 197

This page contains a complex musical score for orchestra and percussion. The score includes parts for Piccolo, Flute, Oboe, Clarinet (C), Clarinet (2), Clarinet (3), Clarinet (4), Clarinet (5), Clarinet (6), Clarinet (7), Alto Saxophone, Tenor Saxophone, Bassoon, Bass Drum, Timpans, Horn, Percussion, and Triangle. The music spans measures 193 to 197. Measure 193 shows various sustained notes and dynamic markings like *fff*. Measures 194 and 195 feature woodwind entries with dynamic markings such as *sfp* and *s*. Measures 196 and 197 include percussive elements like the triangle and sustained notes with dynamic markings like *p* and *rit.*. A large circular stamp from "SOCIETÀ MUSICALE MERZA" is positioned at the top right. The page is numbered Conductor - 34 at the top left.