

JUDITH SHATIN

For the Fallen

Amplified Flute & Electronics



Program Note

For the Fallen, for amplified flute and electronics, is a recasting of the original amplified trumpet and electronics, commissioned by Italian trumpeter Ivano Ascari. *For the Fallen* was inspired by, and the electronics created from, the Peace Bell in Rovereto, Italy. Originally cast from cannons melted after World War I, this bell is the largest ringing bell in the world. Built between 1918 and 1925 to commemorate the fallen in WWI, it is now dedicated to those fallen in all war and is rung 100 times every day at sunset. While political situations change in their particulars, the topic remains all too timely. The source recordings were kindly provided by sound engineer Marco Olivotto.

The sound of the amplified flute should blend with the electronics, with the amount of amplification of both dependent on room size. Even in a small recital hall, the flute should be lightly amplified so it inhabits the same sonic space as the electronics. For more information visit www.judithshatin.com –JS

Performance Notes

Time is measured in seconds, generally in 5-or-10-second increments. The flute line is notated with proportional notation and will vary slightly from performance to performance. This embodies the flux that underlies all and gives utterance to performer individuality.

Feathered beams indicate increasing or decreasing speed, rather than giving the exact number of note repetitions.

The electronic part is notated using a cue line that is meant to guide the performer, rather than provide exact pitch notation. Square noteheads indicate approximate pitch.

Fingerings are by Lindsey Goodman, to whom this version of *For the Fallen* is dedicated, and who recorded it on her album *Returning to Heights Unseen* on Navona Records.

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Judith Shatin

:00 Forlorn

:05 *non vib.* *poco molto vib.*

Flute

Electronics

Bell rings with noise

Ongoing bells

:15 ord.

:20

Fl.

:30

:35

Fl.

Bell rings, no noise

:40

:45 Yearning

Tk1

:50

:55

Fl.

Noise sweep lft.

Vocal sounds start

1:00

1:05

Fl.

Noise rt.

Thickening noise

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Fl.

1:15 vib. (ord.)

1:20

1:25 Tk1

Noise lft.

Noise rt.

1:30 Sighing

quasi-gloss - Airy, like a vocal exhale

1:35 sim.

Rt.

1:40 Distorted bells

1:45 Lft.

1:50

2:00

2:05 R23

L ring

2:10 R2 ring + C#

ord.

2:15

2:20

2:25 non vib.

Fl.

2:30 *ord.* *tr*

2:35

2:40

fp *f* *mf*

Bells + Vocals

Thick vocal sounds and noise

2:45

2:50 *Agitated*

Fl.

p

f

Tk1

2:55

Quiet noise, increasing registral span, cresc.

3:00 *Fltz.* 23,234 fingers

RH1(1/2) *mf* *f*

3:05

3:10 Timbr. Tr thumb

mf *f* *mf*

Bell distortions added Starts to intensify

3:15 L2R1

Urgent

3:20

ff *f* *sf* *f* ff

8va

Ring only trill on E & F *Fltz.*

RH 3 ring, RH 2 ring *tr*

ord.

TTr. R3 ring *tr*

mf *f* *fp*

3:40 Increasingly Crazed

Fl.

Respond to the electronics, starting very sparsely and increasing density and intensity. Draw from these pitches, repeat & change register *a piacere*; Increasingly wild registral leaps, timbral trills, change playing techniques, including key slaps, growling sounds, fltz, increasingly rough, noisy, multiphonics, tongue pizz (with syllables a piacere), jet whistle, voice and overblow (with rh trill fingers) jagged rhythms; Dynamics - from f to ffff!

Increasingly angry bell sounds, war-like, interspersed vocal sounds

Fl.

4:05 **Lamenting** Gradual dim., smoother, more extended sounds, slight pitch bends, becoming sparser

4:20 **Bereft** Flowing

Add voice over harmonic gliss, RH123 bisbigliando, tremolo overblow and Tk12 bisbigliando overblow *a piacere*.

Fl.

4:30

4:35 Tk2

4:40 accel. → Tk1 Tk2

Fl.

4:45 poco tk2

4:50 Airy Sound Add r ring finger

4:55 ord. Finger F# + Tk1 Tk1

Fl.

5:00 Flowing

5:05

5:15 f

Fl.

Strong bells

Fl.

5:20 *non vib.* *ord.* **5:30** *Gently*

5:40 *LH 23, RH 1 2 and 3*
Tk1

5:50 *Increasingly Intense Bells*

6:00 *Lyrical*

6:10 *RH3 every other*
Proudly Tk2 Tk2 Tk2 Tk2 *(ord.)* **6:20**

6:30 *Resigned*

6:45 *Dolce*

7:02 *Fade with electronics*
to non vib.

Bells, gradually fade.