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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



John Beck

Shortly after reading this message another great event in the life of the Percussive Arts Society will take place — PASIC '90 Dean Witten and his PASIC '90 planning committee have organized a percussion spectacular that will long be remembered by those in attendance. It is my hope that all of you can find the means to attend PASIC '90 in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania at the Adam's Mark Hotel. For those who cannot attend this year, perhaps you can attend in Anaheim, California, November 20-23, 1991.

As my tenure as PAS President nears to its end, I can look back on St Louis, San Antonio, and Nashville as being memorable conventions. I predict that Philadelphia will be just as memorable. Why will it be memorable? Because I an aware of the intense work that host Dean Witten and his PASIC '90 planning committee have done in preparing for this convention. Each host and for that matter each city brings to the convention their unique style. Philadelphia and drums seem to be a natural combination. You can be sure that drums were present at the signing of the Declaration of Independence in 1776. Dean Witten is aware of the immense variety of percussion styles present in the world today. He and his committee have molded these styles into a convention filled with education, entertainment and exhibits of the latest in percussion equipment and literature. This convention is the Percussive Arts Society's declaration of the best percussion talent in the world.

See you in Philadelphia.

Executive Editor's Message

This issue begins the twenty-ninth journal volume that Percussive Arts Society has published. *Percussive Notes* has grown with PAS and has continued to meet the needs and express the ideas that the membership desired. Additionally, *Percussive Notes* continues to develop as the percussion industry develops—sharing with the membership of Percussive Arts Society the newest equipment, repertoire and pedagogical concepts as they occur

Each issue of *Percussive Notes* is a cooperative venture of well-planned features, focuses, news, reviews of new repertoire, and percussion advertising. I want to again thank our authors, editors, critics, and advertisers for your continued efforts to make *Percussive Notes* excellent. I also want to thank PAS Administrative Manager Steve Beck for his "behind-the-scenes" activities which cultivate PAS' high profile among the percussion industry, the music education consortium, and you, the PAS membership. I also appreciate the leadership of PAS outgoing President John Beck. Without President Beck's courage and vision, Percussive Arts Society would not be the exemplary organization it is today. We all look forward to the tenure of the next PAS President Robert Schietroma.

In conclusion, I thank you, our membership of Percussive Arts Society Your continued support of PAS and its myriad of activities makes PAS special. I look forward to meeting many of you in person at PASIC '90 in Philadelphia, and I also welcome your written inquiries regarding how *Percussive Notes* can continue to serve your needs.



James Lambert

FEATURE: MULTI-CULTURAL DRUM SET RHYTHMS

Introduction

Rich Holly

REMEMBER THE FIRST TIME I GOT turned-on to the possibilities of playing drumset rhythms that did not originate in North America. It was my first hearing of the now legendary Stan Getz recording on the Verve label with Antonio Carlos Jobim and Joao Gilberto from 1964. The drummer on that session was Milton Banana, and what he was doing was so simple - yet so perfect, so sweet. At this point I tried to accumulate some Dizzy Gillespie, Stan Kenton and Duke Ellington recordings that used Latin rhythms. It wasn't until some time later that I realized I could get recordings of the real thing!

Of course, transferring what might best be described as a percussion ensemble to the four limbs available to you on the drumset is not always an easy task. Which parts must be brought out? Which can be simplified? Which can be ignored? While there may not be any hard and fast rules to answer these questions, there are certain "beats" that have become acceptable over the years as more drumset artists apply these rhythms to their instruments

The articles you are about to read were all written by noted authorities who have spent much time studying both the original version of each particular musical style as well as the adaptation of the original form to drumset. Most fortunate for us, perhaps, is that they are all fine teachers and writers and are able to convey their message in an educational and artistic manner.

The first article in this month's **Feature** is a broad-based look at how the study of such material can aid in your quest for 2-, 3- and 4-way independence at the drumset. Norbert Goldberg's approach is easy to follow (I hesitate to use the word "simple" - independence training is not usually simple, indeed!), and if you have not yet applied these rhythms to drumset, this would be a great way to start achieving realistic-sounding beats using 2-way independence. Norbert even includes a brief look at how Latin rhythms may be adapted for use on other more "mainstream" styles.

The next three articles are by authors who have very impressive books available which expound further on the topics you are about to read. If you're not familiar with their books, I urge you to look into them.

Chuck Silverman's article on Mambo explains a bit of its history, but mostly the *why* in adapting mambo rhythms to one drum set player. Chuck makes quite clear the role of *clave*, *cascara*, cowbells, etc., and provides us with some great grooves to have fun with

Dan Sabanovich's *Brazilian Percussion Manual* is the current "bible" on this topic. For readers who have

yet to purchase a copy of this book, Dan's article gives you a taste of what is possible in samba performance at the drum set.

I'd like to mention at this time that for those of you not in or near a large city and who cannot locate Afro-Cuban or Brazilian recordings, there are two stores at

which I've had much success obtaining them The next time you (or someone you know) visit Chicago, Rose Records on Wabash is three floors of recordings, with extensive offerings of all ethnic music. Or when travelling to New York, in the Times Square subway station (sounds funky, huh? - It is!) is a fantastic little



Rich Holly

record shop that handles only world music recordings I'm sure other major cities have similar shops, but at least this will give you a start on locating the recordings you want.

The fourth article in this **Feature** is one of the most fascinating I have ever had the pleasure of reading Jerry Leake has translated the vocal syllables/playing strokes of North Indian Tabla to drumset, and the result is truly amazing. As Jerry says, you probably won't get hired doing this for an Indian music concert, but your playing will take on added dimensions by utilizing this method

To conclude this issue's **Feature** we're presenting a transcription of Max Roach's solo from Sonny Rollins' *St Thomas* This was one of the first - and certainly one of the most notable - drum solos in the Latin-Jazz style I hope you have fun with all the great information in this **Feature**.

FEATURE

Multi-cultural Drum Set Rhythms

Independence Through Latin Rhythms

Norbert Goldberg

NDEPENDENCE AND COORDINATION ARE two essential elements of percussion technique. The ability to play different rhythms simultaneously begins with the physical dynamics of coordination. Independence implies a mental awareness of the process, leading to other aspects such as style and finesse.

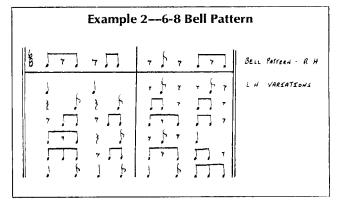
Contemporary drumming often involves maintaining a repeated pattern, or "nde," against varying rhythms played between the other limbs. Each type of music has its own particular rides. The jazz ride played on the cymbal is an integral part of the music as is the steady eighth or sixteenth note combinations found in rock rhythms. Latin music has its own rides, particularly in the cowbell patterns or the timbale's *cascara* rhythms. By using these as a framework for coordination exercises, we can heighten our overall independence and improve the technical aspects of performance.

One typical ride is the cascara pattern played on the shells of the timbales. When playing cascara with one hand on the high timbal shell, the other hand generally plays on two and four, alternating between muffled and open tones respectively on the low timbal. Sometimes, the clave can be played as a tim-click or on a woodblock or jam-block. Many other possibilities become available through development of coordination, ideally resulting in a totally independent voice that can provide accents and cross-rhythms without interfering with the primary rhythm. Consider the variations as seen in Example 1.

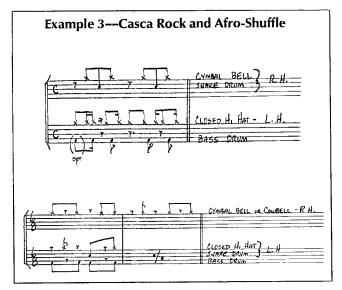
Example 1—Cascara, 3–2 Clave					
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The one-measure rhythms should be repeated or combined to form two-measure patterns consistent with the clave-based cascara. They can also be played against each other for additional exercises. For a different perspective, try reversing the hands or singing one part while playing the other. The end result should lead to total freedom to improvise one part over the sustained pattern.

Using the same procedure, we can now use the Afro-Cuban 6-8 bell pattern as a starting point. Practice Example 2 slowly, avoiding flams, and start by working one measure at a time



The drumset application of many of these patterns is a natural progression and can lead to very interesting results. Two suggestions can be found in Example 3. Please note all patterns can be reversed with left hand playing right hand rhythms and vice-versa.



Although primarily for percussionists, the exercises provided in this article can be suitable to any musician wishing to enhance his/her manual independence. With some practice, one can overcome some of the physical barriers than can interfere with the natural flow of musical ideas.

FEATURE

Multi-cultural Drum Set Rhythms

Mambo for the Drum Set - Practical Applications

Chuck Silverman

AMBO IS A SONG FORM WITH STRONG Afro-Cuban roots. Cuban bassist Isreal Lopez (Cachao) and guitarist Arsenio Rodriguez (Tres) are generally regarded as two major

influences in bringing mambo to the public. Cachao's *Descarga* (jam session) albums are considered classic recordings and are a must for the serious student of Latin music.

In the United States, New York in the 1940's was the fertile ground where mambo would take root. Machito (Frank Grillo) and his Afro-Cubans was the big band

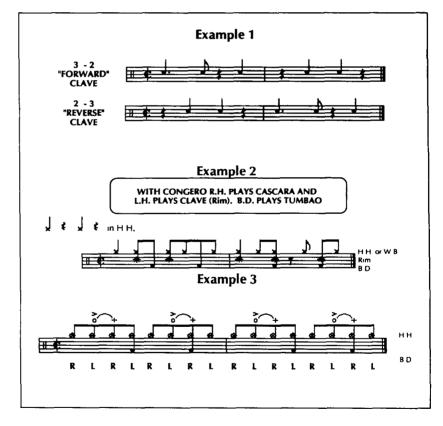
whose influence was a major force in that era Mario Bauza, Machito's musical director, blended exciting Cuban rhythms with big band style section writing, and the mambo craze was in full swing

Mambo achieved great popularity in the ensuing decades. It has also undergone many changes and variations in style A listing of all the major artists incorporating the Afro-Cuban influence in their music would surely take up a good part of this article. Some of the most influential artists are Eddie Palmieri, Ray Barretto, Tito Puente, Isreal Lopez, Celia Cruz, Manny Oquendo, Machito and Arsenio Rodriguez.

Eddie Palmieri was a major influence on many musicians, this author included Studying his music in addition to top funk and fusion drumming styles can help you find new rhythmic avenues and will set you on your own path of innovation. Presented here are some methods used at the Grove School of Music to teach what is considered to be an acceptable way to play mambo.

The first concept a player must grasp is that of clave. Clave is a two-bar phrase that serves as a time frame for the rhythm section, ensemble, soloist and anyone else involved in playing mambo. Most, if not all patterns are based on the clave direction of the particular piece of music being performed. The music will sometimes dictate the clave direction. Certain phrases will naturally fit in one or the other direction. At other times the composer will dictate clave direction. The two directions are seen in Example 1.

A common pattern found in the verse section of mambo is the *cascara* pattern played by the timbalero (timbale player). Cascara means "shell" in English and the pattern, in this instance, is traditionally played on the shell of the timbales. It corresponds directly to clave and since there are two clave directions, the cascara pattern and its variations will reflect either. The cascara pattern applied to the drum set is seen in Example 2. One hand plays the cascara pattern, the other plays the corresponding clave - in this example, 2-3 (reverse) clave. The bass drum plays a pattern based on the common



mambo bass pattern called *tumbao* As notated, the cascara pattern is played on hi-hat or woodblock, emulating the sound of the shell of the timbal. This is sometimes characterized as the "paila" sound.

One drum set application might have you playing the cascara pattern on the ride cymbal. However, please note this is not common as a verse application. If you choose to use the ride cymbal, this leaves your hi-hat free. In this case it is recommended to play hi-hat closed with your foot on each half-note.

Another pattern used frequently for verse sections is to simulate the sound of the maracas using the hi-hat's open and closed sounds. There are many interesting variations on this theme. By the nature of where the open hi-hat falls, the buoyancy of the groove is emphasized. The concept of maintaining this slightly "on top" feel is necessary in the correct execution of these rhythms. Played hand-to-hand with the corresponding bass drum pattern, we have the pattern seen in Example 3.

In Example 4, one hand plays the hi-hat (notice the

hi-hat being closed with the foot) and the other hand plays the clave, 3-2 in this example. This creates a very playable pattern that incorporates three patterns common to mambo - maracas, clave and the bass tumbao. Musicians feel comfortable with this pattern because it's full without sounding busy or contrived.

The previous two patterns for drum set, applying the cascara/clave combination and simulating the maracas, work well in verse sections of mambo-style tunes. Let's now examine two patterns for use during the chorus sections.

The timbalero usually changes his/her pattern and playing surface at the inception of the chorus of a mambostyle song. He/she will change from the cascara to a mambo cowbell, sometimes referred to as the timbale or salsa bell. This is often mounted between the two timbales with the mouth of the bell facing the outside of the high drum.

The first chorus section pattern presented is a common mambo bell pattern paired with clave. This pattern is written in 2-3 clave. (Author's note to emphasize

independence, I have not designated which hand plays which pattern *Practice both ways*.) The bass drum plays the common tumbao pattern (see Examples 5 and 6)

Notice the use of dynamics within the mambo bell pattern. This is not an absolute. Some players use this style while others do not. Find what is comfortable for you

There is another cowbell used during the chorus section, played by the bongocero (bongo player). While there are guidelines for using the bongo bell, suffice it to say that in a mambo the most common place to find the bongo bell being played is during the chorus ("coro" in Spanish) when both the vocal chorus and lead singer (sonero) are singing.

The part of the bongo bell is most important. While other percussion instruments play parts which help the groove achieve its characteristic feel, the bongo bell alone plays the downbeats (incidentally, playing the hi-hat on the half-notes follows from the placement of the open tones of the bongo bell). There is a typical bongo bell pattern which follows clave. Example 7 does not use the full pattern, but rather just the down beats. It is accompanied by an atypical mambo bell pattern. This combination works well and , when played with the cor-

rect feel, sounds like two distinct players. Again the bass drum tumbao and your choice of hi-hat patterns are added to complete a very full-sounding typical application.

Here is a relatively easy method to practice both verse and chorus ideas of mambo-style songs. Called the "Transition Exercise," it incorporates concepts which are very important if one is to develop a feel for the flow necessary to play this music. Referring to Example 8, you'll see it begins with a simple intro fill most often played on timbales. Next follows a 32-measure verse

section. Use one of the verse patterns discussed earlier. The next transition (from verse to chorus) involves use of the *abanico*, a standard timbale fill (shown before the actual exercise are the drumset applications of both the intro fill and abanico). The abanico generally leads to the chorus section and the timbalero's use of the mambo bell. The chorus section does indeed follow and, like the verse, it's also 32 measures in length. Measure 32 includes the intro fill and we repeat back to the verse section.

The transition exercise may appear simple but its appearance is deceptive. There are five parts to the exercise - each must be executed correctly to fulfill the purpose of the exercise. Slow and careful practice will lead to the goal of making smooth transitions between verse and chorus patterns which are performed in a relaxed manner.

Digressing from the specificity of our discussion, let's generalize the lesson to a wider topic - a method of studying the drum set using Afro-Caribbean rhythms. Studying these rhythms is quite useful as an integrated approach to achieving control of the drumset. Typical rhythms and contemporary applications are an interesting way to get students involved in practicing and learning. We can refer

to this as the "Work and Art" method. Learning the typical patterns will help the student in the job market while the creative approach used in applying the patterns can be used in an artistic way to expand the student's musical vocabulary.

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Mambo Bel

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A second facet of this integrated approach is the study of independence. It is necessary for the student to develop three and four limb independence to perform the patterns found in this study method. This concept is very useful as an incentive for students who display little interest in learning the typical patterns. Much of the time they will realize that the benefit of heightened independents

dence and control of their instrument outweighs their attitude. None of the patterns contained in this article specify which hand should play a given surface. Independence will be maximized by using either hand.

A third facet of this method is that of strengthening the "weak" hand. The mambo cowbell patterns we've discussed can be used as an example of this idea. By using either hand to play the bell pattern, each hand will be equally exercised. This is an excellent way to involve

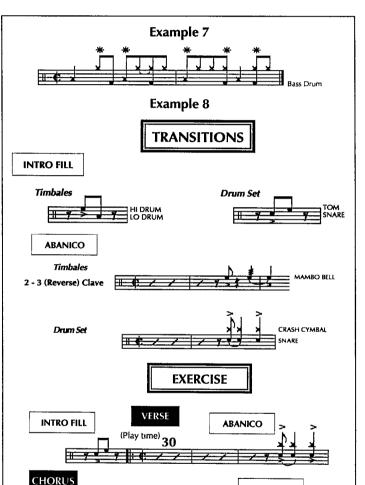
> those students who are disinterested in typical applications of Afro-Caribbean rhythms.

Educators are particularly encouraged to investigate this integrated method of studying Afro-Caribbean rhythms. Each facet works with the others to produce an exciting technique to improve your students' performance

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INTRO FILL



FEATURE

Multi-cultural Drum Set Rhythms

Samba Applications to Drum Set

Dan Sabanovich

LAYING MUSIC IN ANY STYLE ON THE drumset and being able to "groove" requires a basic understanding and foundation rooted in the music itself. Merely playing rhythms from a book is not enough to develop the essential "feel" or "groove" characteristic to any style (especially Brazilian). It is important to be aware of authentic sounds, nuances, rhythms, color, dynamics, form, accents and proper phrasing and interpretation in any style.

The foundation and rhythmic source from which many Brazilian drumset patterns have evolved are the Escolas de Samba (samba schools) found primarily in Rio de Janeiro, the birthplace and home of modern urban samba. The Escolas de Samba are recreational clubs which rehearse year around for Carnival in Brazil. The term "school" refers to individual neighborhoods (social clubs) which put together samba groups consisting of singers, dancers and a huge percussion section The driving force of each "school" is the "bateria" (the "battery" of percussion instruments, the group who plays them). Although some may include many more, the average "bateria" consists of roughly 100 to 300 performers playing surdo, tamborim, repinique, caixa, agogo, cuica, ganza, pandeiro, chocalho, reco-reco and others It is highly recommended to all that they familiarize themselves with these instruments, techniques and rhythms as a primer to drumset study

[Note: Readers who are interested in the playing techniques and rhythms for the above conventional Brazilian percussion instruments are encouraged to check out the author's *Brazilian Percussion Manual: Rhythms and Techniques with Applications for the Drumset*, published in 1988 by Alfred Publishing Co.]

The more "musical" information you acquire, the better understanding you'll have to draw upon. For example, let's say you've really developed a good feel and understanding of samba rhythms. The next step might be to discover how they work within a standard rhythm section format; piano, guitar and bass. This is where it's very important to find out what the typical bass lines are like. Next, check out the kinds of comping patterns the guitar and piano use. This kind of "musical" information will help develop a more relaxed, natural and confident style of drumming. And for samba drumming in particular, playing with a loose, relaxed and flowing feeling is essential.

The samba, as well as all folk and popular musical forms from Brazil, has been a non-literary tradition handed down aurally Learning the rhythms, sounds, etc., by ear is a fundamental African tradition that s been

the basis for learning since the samba rhythms of Brazil were brought to Salvador (Bahia) by African slaves from Angola some three-hundred years ago

When one learns a new language, it's done primarily by listening and imitating. This basic premise is also the key to unlocking the essential "feel" or "groove" of all Brazilian music. For our purposes, the notated page acts only as a guide. The real challenge comes in developing a "musical" vocabulary which can be expressed from "within." In other words, if you don't have the rhythms, sounds, etc., inside of you ("hear them"), they won't come out of you! Remember the old axiom, "If you can't sing it, you can't play it."

A valuable aid in achieving a "musical" vocabulary of escola de samba rhythms can be realized by listening and imitating the "Fantastica Bateria" and "Batucada" albums listed in the discography. For optimum results, one may further their "vocabulary" by listening to Brazilian drumset masters such as. Dom Um Romao, Portinho, Roberto Silva, Airto Moreira, Milton Banana, Paulinho, Paulo Braga, Chico Batera, Claudio Slon, Nene, Mamao, Joao Palma, Marcio Bahia and Ivan Conti (see discography)

The samba and bossa-nova are the two Brazilian musical forms best known to the western world. In Brazil, the samba is a "functional" kind of music in which everyone participates. Samba is not just a rhythm,



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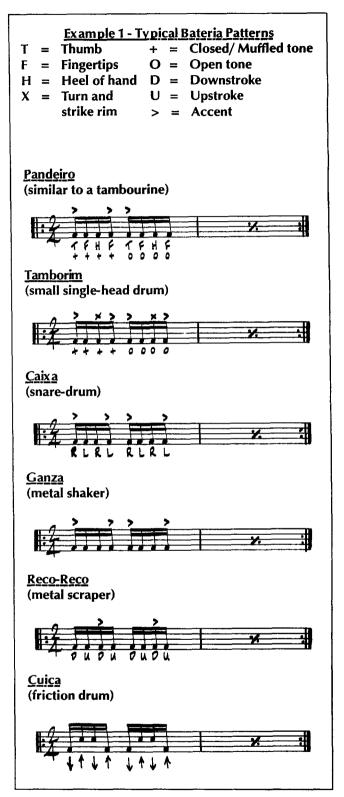
a form, it's a way of life in Brazil Samba is played by many different kinds of groups from small to very large, vocal to instrumental, percussion only, orchestras, combos, etc., the list can go on and on And, although the samba has been through many styles and stages since its inception in the early part of the century, it is the intent of this article to share with you a basic approach for applying some of the fundamental rhythms used by the "bateria" to the drumset.

Before getting into some of the notated patterns for samba, let's go over a few important stylistic characteristics. First of all, the proper meter of samba is 2/4, not cut -time, or 4/4. Its driving pulse is sub-divided using sixteenth-notes. The emphasis on the downbeat (or "one") is a vital characteristic present in almost all of contemporary music (pop, rock, fusion, rap, etc...). However, for samba, the downbeat (or "one") is almost insignificant. The second-beat has the emphasis. In playing samba strive for a relaxed flowing feeling; don't force it, and don't overplay! Many of the rhythms played by the escola's de samba bateria are sixteenth-note pulse time-line patterns such as illustrated in example 1

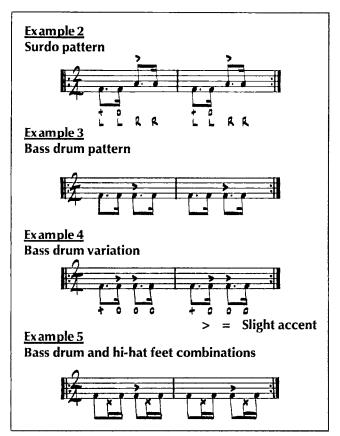
Although there are numerous rhythmic and tonal variations which can be played on all Brazilian percussion instruments, two constants are present in all of the patterns illustrated in example 1. They are: a.) a continuous sixteenth-note flow or "feeling" b.) the dotted-eighth, sixteenth-note accented pattern prevails. These two essential rhythmic characteristics help provide the foundation of samba drumming.

The one constant in all Brazilian drumming is the ostinato patterns played by the feet, especially the bass drum. The samba bass drum patterns derive from the Surdo (a large cylindrical bass drum) and serve the same function They both provide the steady "heartbeat" of samba. In example 2, you'll find the surdo pattern from which the bass drum pattern evolved. The "+" indicates to muffle the drum, while the "o" indicates an opentone. Notice that the open-tone and accent occurs on beat two As mentioned earlier, this is a vital element in samba phrasing A word of caution here before we continue American drummers (in particular) are often criticized for either overplaying the bass drum rhythm, or playing it too rigid. Don't underestimate this simple looking pattern. It can take months to really get that "groove" to become second nature This is where practicing the surdo patterns and getting them in your ear (developing a "feel") will help significantly. Try practicing the surdo pattern from example 2 on your floor-tom first to get a general feel for the rhythm; the open and closed tones, and the accented second beat. When applying it to the bass drum, work for an easy, relaxed and natural flow to the rhythm. Example 3 illustrates how the surdo pattern (from example 2) is applied to the bass drum. Although the second beat has the emphasis, many Brazılıan drummers will play the second and third notes of the pattern with equal volume as shown in example 4

The hi-hat cymbals are used primarily for playing time line patterns, many of which are consistent sixteenthnote flow patterns similar to those played on the

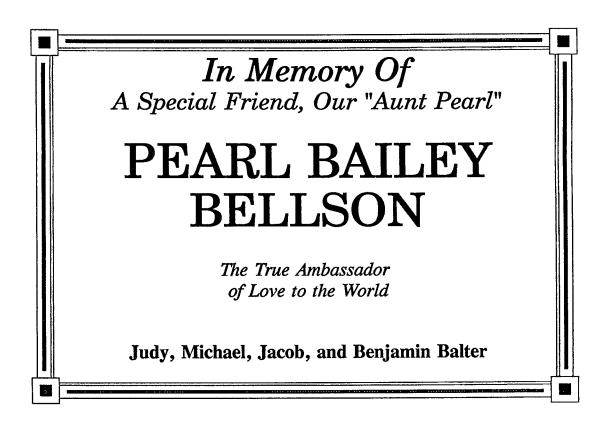


pandeiro, reco-reco and ganza. Assuming the drummer is right-handed, these time line patterns are played on the hi-hat with the right-hand. However, when the dynamics of a tune require the drummer to "open-up" the sound, he'll usually move the right hand up to the ride cymbal. The hi-hat now functions as a cushion to the



throbbing bass drum pattern and is played with the foot, as shown in example 5. It may help to practice example 5 by sub-dividing the sixteenth-notes and continue out loud. Repeat until the pattern can be played with a loose and relaxed feeling. With the basic foundation of the feet provided, let's now move on to some patterns for the hands.

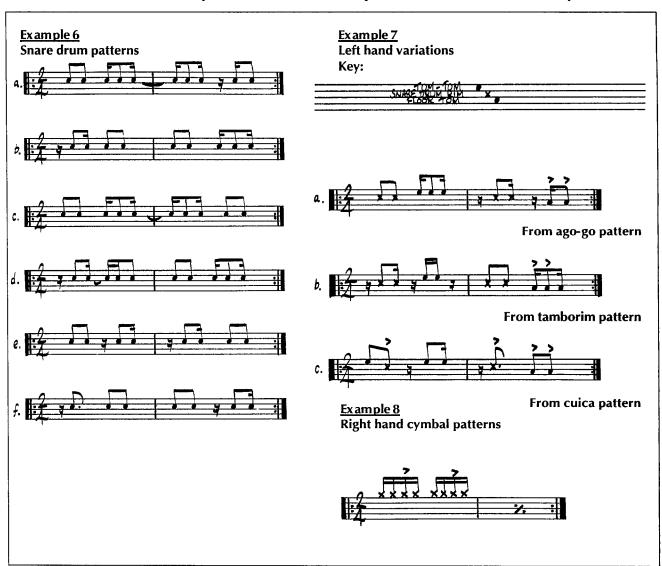
The snare drum rhythms are derived from the rhythms of the tamborim, ago-go and cuica. These patterns are usually played with the butt end of the drum stick across the rim. Please note that all snare drum rim indications should be played by laying the drum stick across the drum and striking the rim, similar to the sound that claves make. Example 6 illustrates several patterns typical of those played on the rim of the snare drum. Brazilian drummers create many variations of patterns by using combinations of rim, head, rim-shot and tom-tom sounds. One example is to slide the stick off the rim of the small tom-tom to the rim of the snare drum in one stroking motion. Experiment with your own variations. Example 7 illustrates some left hand variations. Please note that these examples are not generally used behind vocals, or intricate melodies. They tend to be a bit heavy sounding and best lend themselves to percussion features or "batucada" (all percussion instruments playing rhythms of samba) interludes or sections



The right hand cymbal patterns are derived from the steady sixteenth-note patterns provided by such Brazilian percussion instruments as the ganza, chocalho and reco-reco. These patterns consist primarily of steady sixteenth-notes and are often played on the closed hihat or ride cymbal as illustrated in example 8.

Some of the more commonly used ride cymbal patterns have evolved from the rhythms of the tamborim, such as those illustrated in example 9. The left hand neously (in unison) Keep the right hand on the cymbal and the left hand on the snare drum as illustrated in example 10. Practice playing the snare drum patterns on the rim first, and later play on the open snare drum (center of head with stick).

There are many different types of samba ranging from very fast to very slow tempos. The basic differences focus more on style rather than the rhythms used. The patterns illustrated in this article represent a basic



(snare drum) pattern also illustrated in example 9 is a "classic" cuica pattern used in a style of samba called *partido alto*. Brazilian pianists and guitar players play that same rhythm very often as a standard comping pattern or turnaround. Note that the downbeat is not played in any of those examples. As mentioned earlier in this article, the downbeat is almost insignificant.

There are numerous cymbal variations, all of which depend on tempo and the snare drum pattern used. One technique commonly used is to play any of the snare drum patterns from example 6 with both hands simulta-

foundation from which to build upon The variations possible are endless. Once again, the important factor is that all the drumset patterns used can be traced back to the rhythms and instruments employed in the Brazilian bateria. They are the roots of samba drumming.

The style and tempo of the samba played will dictate which patterns are most appropriate. This framework requires an understanding and knowledge of the musical style. Take your time, research and study the music, practice regularly and the rewards will be numerous. Good Luck! Hopefully you are now enlightened

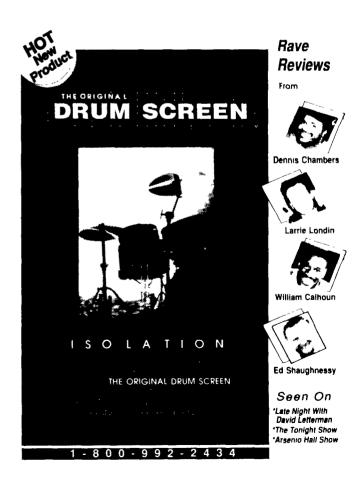
and inspired to continue discovering the beauty and magic of samba drumming

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Example 9 Ride cymbal patterns (Partido alto samba rhythm) Example 10 Unison snare drum and cymbal patterns State University where he has been on the faculty since 1979 Dan's educational pursuits also included attending the Berklee College of Music in Boston where he focused on composing, arranging, and percussion In 1977, he attended the Beija-Flor Escola de Samha in Rio de Janeiro

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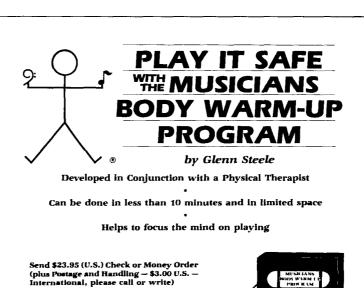
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Multi-cultural Drum Set Rhythms

Drum Set Adaptations of North Indian Tabla

Jerry Leake

HE PERFORMANCE OF NORTH INDIAN tabla is both a fascination and mystery to percussionists and concert-goers, and is fast becoming a subject of much curiosity. The aesthetics of both tabla technique and application contain many deep and wondrous concepts that can benefit

players of many instruments and proficiency levels.

This article introduces one such concept, the analysis and adaptation of traditional tabla rhythms to drum set. These adaptations, although presented in a specific rhythmic breakdown, are completely open to player interpretation for further development. It is not the article's goal to make a western drummer sound like a tabla player and it is even less possible for the reverse to occur. This discussion introduces concepts of North Indian tabla which may or may not influence further drumset performance, but which can add a great deal to the rhythmic foundation of the player.

One of the more baffling and beautiful aspects of tabla is the use of syllables (called bols) for rhythms and techniques. This can seem quite confusing to a player who is used to traditional drumset notation. The clearest way to understand a tabla composition is to hear the whole phrase (or sentence), and not just specific attacks which, by themselves, seem very ambiguous Therefore, the drumset player should try to speak each composition before playing it on set. This is not crucial for playing the examples, but is helpful for understanding and hearing the correlation of sounds between tabla and drumset. In order to properly bring to life the character of a tabla composition, included is a rhythmic legend which adapts sounds and techniques of tabla to similar sounds on drumset Admittedly, many compositions and concepts composed for tabla are not at all adaptable to drumset. Only specific compositional forms (and there are many) are analyzed for drumset interpretation. Also, establishing a specific sound for each stroke is not the overall objective, as this will hamper the player's sense of improvisation. The objective is to accurately classify tabla sounds while introducing flexibility for further interpretation and variation by the player.

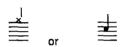
CLASSIFICATION OF TABLA TONES

There are over 30 syllables and techniques used to perform tabla. Some are sustaining tones while others are non-sustaining. This study will examine frequently used tabla strokes, beginning with individual strokes on right hand tabla. (The high drum is called "tabla," the low drum is called "bayan").

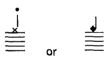
Below is a list of tabla strokes, with very basic classifications of sound quality. Following each stroke are possible interpretations to drumset. Examples are given for corresponding rhythms notated for drumset. This classification will be used to adapt the drumset examples that follow.

Individual Open Tones Right Hand Tabla (high drum)

ta and/or na: single stroke on right hand tabla, metallic in sound quality; single stroke on cymbal or on snare drum Example 1



tin and/or tun single stroke, which produces the open "ring" of the tabla; single stroke on open hi hat or cymbal Example 2



Left Hand Bayan (low drum)

ge, gi or ga: single stroke played on bayan Very bassy in tone; single stroke on bass drum or tom-tom **Example 3**

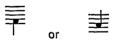
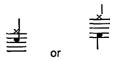


Tabla and Bayan Using Open Tones

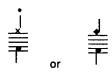
dha: most common stroke on tabla, receives emphasis, dha = ta + ge; cymbal or hi hat with snare or bass drum. **Example 4**

dba = ta + ge



abin: combines open "ring" of the tabla with low bass of bayan, dhin = tin + ge; open hi hat or bell of cymbal with bass drum. **Example 5**

dbin = tin + ge

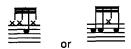


Drums Combined, Non-sustaining Tones

te te: paired strokes on right hand tabla using a "walking" action; paired strokes on drum set, eighth note ride or hi hat pattern. **Example 6**



tira kita or *kita taka* two strokes played in succession using both tabla and bayan, two pairs of strokes on drum set using hi hat and snare or cymbal and snare **Example 7**



Drums Combined, Sustaining Tones

gira naga four tones evenly executed using sixteenths or fast eighth notes gi and ga = open tones on low bayan, ra na on high tabla comprises, closed tone for ra on tabla, open metallic tone for na on tabla, four tones evenly executed, using bass drum for gi and ga on the first and last attacks of the stroke Snare or rim shot for ra, open hi hat or bell of cymbal for na **Example 8**



Any of the above categorization of tones can be altered according to taste and ability. With an understanding of this rhythmic classification, the following drumset examples should become easier Technically, all tabla strokes are fairly basic. It is when strokes are combined, through syncopation and variation, that the rhythmic figures become complicated

EXERCISES ON DRUMSET

Below are two short examples that translate tabla phrases to drumset. Practice slowly and refer to the previous classification of tones to explore additional variations, and to understand how the example on drumset was derived **Examples 9 and 10**



dhina dhati gina dhina dhati gina dhati gina



NOTE All drumset examples can be played two ways - as written or substituted for another metallophone (e.g., h.h. becomes cym./cym. becomes h.h.). Open high hat sounds can also be played as bell of cymbal sounds and vice-versa

Five rhythmic cycles of classical North Indian music are introduced below. These cycles are the basis for the drum set adaptations that follow. To effectively adapt tabla to drumset, each cycle is broken down to its smallest sub-division. For example, tin tal is a 16-beat rhythmic cycle that comprises four groups (or bars) of four beats each. Tabla compositions within this rhythmic cycle will be notated in 4/4 time.

This same approach is used for adapting 10-beat jhaptal to one or two bars of 5/4 Similarly, drumset adaptations of 6-beat dadra tal are notated as two bars of 3/4

Rhythmic Cycles

Tintal 16-beat cycle divided into 4 groups of 4 beats each (4+4+4+4=16 beats or 4/4 time),

Jhaptal 10-beat rhythmic cycle divided into 4 groups (2+3+2+3=10 beats or 5/4 time),

Keharawa 8-beat rhythmic cycle divided into 2 groups of 4 beats each (4+4= 8 beats or 4/4 time),

Rupak Tal 7-beat rhythmic cycle divided into 3 groups (3+2+2=7 beats or 7/4 time),

Dadra Tal 6-beat cycle divided into 2 groups of 3 beats each (3+3=6 beats or 3/4 time)

A very important point to remember is that within classical Indian music there are no "bar-lines" that are so prominent in western music - there are rhythmic cycles that start and end simultaneously

Tin Tal

Tin tal is the most popular tal (or cycle) for the performance of classical Indian music. Tin tal comprises 16-beats divided into 4 groups/bars (called vibhags) of 4 beats each.

The four lines of tin tal cycle each have important characteristics that must be mentioned. The first, second and fourth lines of the cycle shown below are very similar as they use open tones from the bayan (**dha** and **dhin**) with the third line using closed tones from the

bayan (ta and tin). This concept will be interpreted using the bass drum of the drumset, as this is the sound that best represents the low bass tabla. This technique allows the tabla player, and drumset player, to introduce rhythmic development throughout the cycle/rhythm.

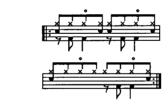
(Observation: The four lines of tin tal develop similarly to an AABA song format with the third line functioning as the "bridge").

Traditional 16-beat Tin tal cycle:

(A)	+dha	dhin	dbin	dha
(B)	dba	dhin	dbin	dha
(C)	0dba	tin	tin	ta
(D)	ta	dhin	dbin	dba

- + = sam (pronounced sum) The first beat of the rhythmic cycle that is always emphasized by a clap of the hand. This is where the cycle both begins and ends.
- o = *Khali* is that portion of the rhythm that is not emphasized by open bass tones of the bayan (low drum). *Khali* means "open" or "space" and is indicated by a wave of the hand in an outward motion.

Below (**Example 11**) is one possible adaptation of the tin tal cycle to drumset. Depending on the tempo of the tabla composition, the notation to drumset will be interpreted accordingly. For example, a drumset example may make more musical sense transcribed using 16th notes as opposed to 8th notes.



Variations follow: (Examples 12 and 13)





LAGGI (from 8-beat Keharawa Tal)

Keharawa is an 8-beat rhythmic cycle that is transcribed to either 1- or 2-bar rhythms on drumset. Laggi is a term used to describe the variations played on tabla (called "Laggi System"). The Laggi System allows the player to create variations on an existing rhythm by merely starting the given rhythm from the 2nd, 3rd or 4th beat, establishing a pattern with a completely different character (rhythmic displacement). This concept should require no change in playing technique, as the original rhythm is left completely intact - only the starting point is altered. Most drumset players have experimented with this concept and are aware of its potential for deriving variations on any rhythm or phrase. (Examples 14 and 15).



* Start the example above (15) from the 2nd, 3rd and 4th beats for additional variation. Also, play using both straight and swing 8th notes.

(Examples 16 and 17)



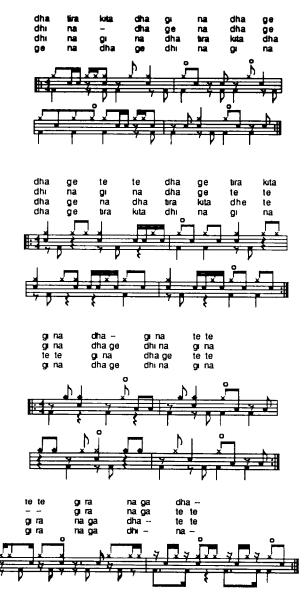


KAIDA VARIATIONS

Among the many compositional forms of tabla, the performance of kaida is most widely used because of the tremendous variety of rhythm and variation. A kaida consists of a main theme with variations derived by extrapolating and developing specific portions of the original theme.

The most universal form of kaida development is one that introduces a main theme and proceeds to develop variations while returning to the main theme. This article will introduce the main theme of four kaidas with no additional variations. However, several examples from the book "Drumset Adaptions of North Indian Tabla" present kaidas with extended variations.

(See Examples 18, 19, 20 and 21 for four kaidas)



(See Examples 22, 23 and 24 for three relas)



TIHAL

A tihai is a specific rhythmic phrase that is played three times, with the final stroke of the tihai landing on the first beat (sam) of the next rhythmic cycle. The idea of repeating a phrase three times to reach beat—one is not new to western music, as there are many recorded examples of this technique. However, during Classical Indian music, the application of tihai is very strict with each of the three phrases repeated exactly (both rhythmically and melodically)

Playing a tihai on drumset (or any other instrument) is less practical during repeated sections that require consistent rhythms. This is due to the semi-broken nature of the tihai figure. The flow of any melodic or harmonic structure would be altered by incorporating tihai out of context. Tihai would be more correctly applied as a rhythmic fill at the end of a phrase, or between sections of form. In this context, the tihai would be relatively short, not exceeding 8 beats (2 bars in 4/4)

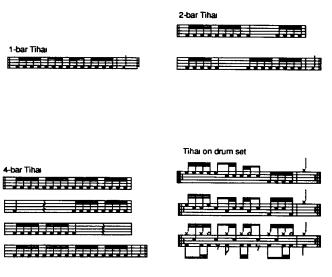
As a tool for solo improvisation, tihai application has no apparent boundaries. Again, it is the understanding of the concept that we are striving for, not any specific rhythmic application.

Below are the rhythms of three tihai (although there are literally hundreds) With these, and other tihai rhythms, the player can construct variations that follow the same basic rhythmic structure of the tihai using different "melodic" patterns from the instruments of the drumset.

The first tihal below works within 1 bar, the second works within 2 bars and the third within 4 bars. Variations on these rhythms can be achieved by leaving out specific attacks of the phrase.

Following these three basic rhythms, I have transcribed the first tihal to drumset (two examples on toms, one on full drumset) Experiment with your own variations on these examples, compose your own tihal, and listen for this concept that is present in many styles of music

(Examples 25, 26, 27 and 28)



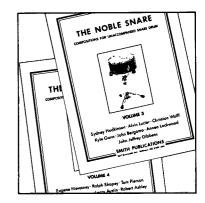
Examples in 3/4 Dadra tal dhin na dha ge dha ge te te ta ke te te dha ge na ge dha ge na ge ti na kina dhina gina na ki na na ga dhi na dha ra gi na dha ra gi na na -- dhin -na -- dhin dha ti dha qe tin na ki na dha ra gi na ta ra ki na Examples In 5/4 jhaptal dha ge na dhe na dha dha dhe te dha qe -ra dha na- dha-

Understanding how a tabla composition is adapted to drumset is the first half of a two-part process; the second half being how to use such adaptations once they can be played. Drumset adaptations of North Indian tabla are useful not only because they increase one's rhythmic repertoire, but also because they broaden the scope of the player's imagination for deriving variations using any inspiration or culture.

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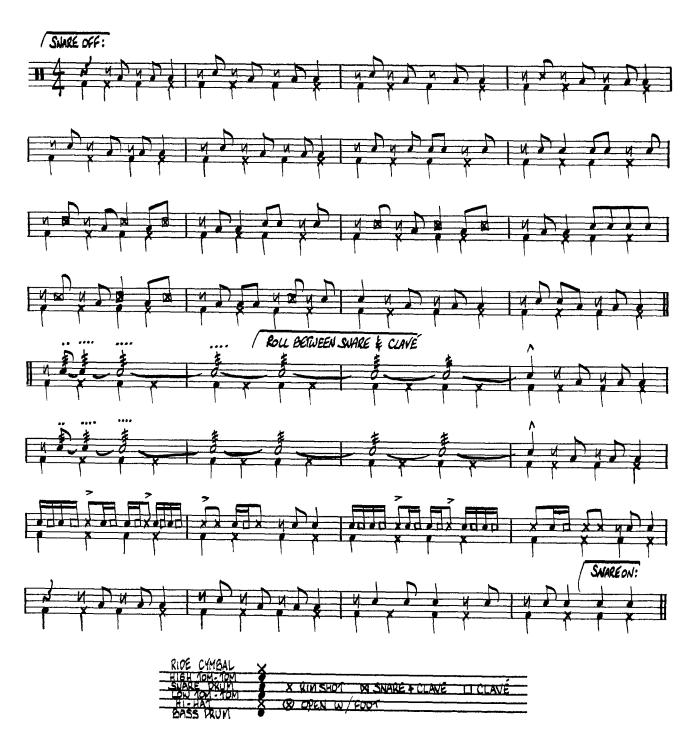
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How to Practice Timpani

Don Dregalla



PERSON COULD SUCCESSFULLY ARGUE that timpani are the backbone of the percussion section. History leads one to the conclusion that timpani have played a very im-

portant role in the development of orchestral instrumentation Great composers such as Beethoven, Berlioz, Stravinsky and Bartok used the kettledrums in innovative ways and furthered this orchestral evolution. Also, many composers of band literature have used the timpani to lend color and vibrancy to their works. Recent composers like Persichetti and Husa have made great strides in continuing this percussion evolution. Yet despite all of this history, timpani remains somewhat of a mystery to most music educators and conductors and is often bewildering to young percussionists. Conductors hope that young drummers can simply just "do it." It is not that easy. Since the timpani is a tuned instrument, it presents some unique challenges to the young player

Notes to the Band/Orchestra Director

All timpani must be properly maintained, playing on drums that are in poor condition is an insult to any player One should check the condition of the heads regularly. Any small scrapes, holes and other marks left unattended will become major problems. The heads must be replaced if necessary, for they DO NOT have an infinite lifespan. All of the mechanical parts (lugs, pedals etc) must be examined Occasionally problems can occur because many different people are using the drums and they fail to maintain them properly. The drums should be covered with full length drop covers of good thickness. This will prevent an enormous amount of abuse Finally, remember to not use the timpani as furniture As funny as this sounds, kettledrums are quite often used as tables and other things, i.e. they are big and just about the correct height.

Timpani must be made available for students to use. Students do not usually have the drums at home, due to the extreme cost and size of the set, therefore they will need to use the school equipment. Occasionally rototoms and even drum set toms could be practiced upon at home, but in reality nothing is better than the real thing Students will need to schedule practice time during the academic day. One must keep a schedule posted to enable percussion students to find "free periods" in which to practice. The kettledrums should be kept in the music room. They should not be locked away, unavailable for student use. Providing a key to the room and a sign-up schedule may be the way to solve this security issue and yet provide students accessibility to the drums

Finally, the "shlep" factor should be eliminated. The drums need to be ready to play at all times. Percussionists should not have to waste their time moving drums from one room to the other. Since their normal school practice period is too short already, one should use every minute in making music and not moving equipment.

Proper music, materials and equipment must be provided for each student. A percussionist, especially if he has no private teacher, may not know which materials are appropriate. Obviously, extra copies of the band/ orchestra music should be available. Students should have their own copy and an extra set should be left in the music room. Books of technical studies and ear training exercises should also be available. A few fine quality solo pieces should also be provided

It is also very important to have a good collection of quality sticks for student use, although they should be encouraged to have their own sticks as well. One must have more than one pair. Often, schools purchase a single pair of "multi-purpose" sticks in an attempt to save money. Different music requires a variety of sounds and different types of sticks are necessary. One should choose quality-name-brand sticks, which can cost more,

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but are well worth the price. There are several good manufacturers from which to choose

One must take the time to show students how to tune timpani. To most of them, timpani is an alien instrument. Most young percussionists have experienced the non-pitched snare drum or the rock drum set, thus pitch is a new and sometimes frightening concept. One might have to show the student how to read music, especially the bass clef. One should demonstrate the tuning fork and pitch pipe as well as the proper method to manipulate the pedals. If the student has never experienced multiple drums before, that too might be a problem. Do not assume that the student understands timpani, just because he is a good snare drummer. Developing a student timpanist requires patience, direction and practical support

Notes to Young Timpanists (high school/junior high school players)

One should remember that organization is a key factor in all aspects of life. Practicing musical instruments is no different from any other discipline. Thus one needs to be organized in order to achieve success. This is a new instrument and a student will need to spend time in order to achieve success. The need to create time in a schedule for practice is extremely important. A percussionist should practice each day, but if that is impossible, due to other academic commitments, he or she will need at the very least some good consistent time somewhere during the week. Many other areas of percussion, such as snare drum and drum set are more familiar and are more accessible to the student. One can practice the set at home, but in all probability the timpani must be played in school In short, a percussionist must make a commitment to the instrument if success is desired.

Over the course of several years of teaching young timpanists, I have developed a five-part approach to practicing The approach is based on 30-40 minutes of daily practice. More, naturally would be effective, but perhaps is not practical in today's tightly-paced high school world.

The first part of a balanced practice session consists of a warm-up routine. How often young musicians forget to warm up. This warm-up is a simple individual stroke exercise. Start with ten strokes in the right hand, then ten with the left. This should be completed with twenty alternating strokes, (10R 10L 10A).

A percussionist should always try to produce excellent tone quality. There is indeed a proper tone quality that should be coming from the drums. Strike the drums midway between the edge and the center.

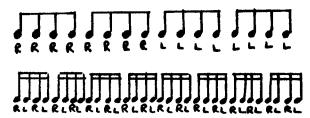
A student should also focus on both parts of the stroke; DOWN AND UP—try to keep the strokes equal. Younger players often ignore the rebound or 'up' part of the timpani stroke.

Also, a timpanist should work on proper hand position when playing. Using a mirror helps to check hand position while practicing. There are many different types of hand positions and stick grips, so one's concept may vary. What counts is that a student select one and stick with it. I have found great success in the style professed by Vic Firth of the Boston Symphony.

The second part of this practice regime is another type of warm-up. Each week a student should choose, or have assigned by his teacher, one technical aspect of timpani playing. This study should then be perfected and repeated if it is not mastered after one week's playing. One simile to this in other musical fields, would be the practicing and mastering of scales. Some good examples of technical studies come from the *Modern Method for Timpani* by Saul Goodman, an absolute must for any player. Examples from the Goodman book could include #20-21 for cross-sticking, #22 for staccato play-

ing, section #2 for two-drum work and section #3 for three- and four-drum studies. There are of course many more in this book, and one can fine find solid technical studies available in other timpani methods.

Part three is focused on developing smooth rolls. Creating a good single stroke roll is one of the most difficult tasks facing a young timpanist. The following three-part exercise will help in developing a good finger roll. First, point the thumbs down the mallet, using the label as a guide. Second, make sure that the thumb and first finger position are strong and serve as a fulcrum point. The other fingers should be kept underneath the stick and really propel the stick back and forth during the roll process. One can use the following exercise developed by Vic Firth to work on creating a firm technique. The exercise should be repeated twenty times. It will be difficult to do evenly at first, but with practice, control will be achieved.



The fourth section of any well-balanced practice program, the solo work, is probably the most enjoyable. There are many solos available at all levels of difficulty The teacher should assign a piece that will be appropriate to the student's level and have the student work on the piece in preparation for a contest or recital. If no private teacher is involved, which is often the case, the school music director should have a working knowledge of quality timpani literature at various levels. Consult the PA.S. Education Committee articles for listings of quality pieces. Below are four such pieces that work well with better high school players. They are in no specific order:

IOHN BECK

Sonata For Timpani

This is a three-movement piece, presenting three very contrasting musical elements. Movement one is slow and requires a delicate touch as well as some good clear fortissimo playing. The student is also asked to play on the bowls of the drums. Movement two is jazzy and quite technical. It asks the player to perform on the drums using fingers. Movement three is technical, fast and utilizes the pedals for quick tuning changes.

VIC FIRTH

The Solo Timpanist

This is an excellent collection of pieces for the solo player. Almost every aspect of technique and musicality are covered in this collection. Many of the pieces are difficult and perhaps beyond many high school players, but many are within the grasp of good high school timpanists.

DANIEL JONES

Sonata

This is a rather unusual piece that requires great musicianship.

ALEXANDER TCHERPINEN

Sonatina For Timpani

This is another good musical work well within the grasp of high school players. There is also a piano part, which will introduce the student to playing the kettle-drums with another player. It really is a 'must do' at least once.

The final section, part five, of this practice outline is perhaps the most important; ear training. For most young players this could be a completely foreign concept. Each student must practice with a tuning fork or pitch pipe for it is very important to try and recognize where concert 'A' or 'Bb' are. They must work on interval recognition, especially perfect 4ths and 5ths. The students must discover the range of the drums and know where the notes lie on each drum. When tuning, the player should scoop up the correct pitch. It is much easier to hear the pitch

when approached from below. One should play out while tuning in practice, but learn to tune quietly in rehearsals and performance. One hint; after the percussionist hears the pitch, have them sing it back. This will help the process and do wonders at checking tone. Once the pitch is sung, then tune the drums.

Fitting all five parts of this routine into a 30-40 minute period requires extreme concentration and organization. This is something that many young players do not have, but must develop. Much cooperation is needed between students and school directors regarding scheduling, drum availability and support. Through a careful and organized practice routine, young players can achieve real progress on timpani, and have the ability to become fine performers.

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Percussion Ensemble–Call For Tapes Replaces Percussion Ensemble ContestDouglas J. Wolf



OR THE PAST SIX YEARS HIGH SCHOOL and college/university percussion ensembles have been selected to perform at PASIC by "winning" the Percussion Ensemble Contest.

In reality the contest had little to do with winning and a lot to do with who would be invited to play at PASIC. Those who entered the contest were motivated by the opportunity to perform at PASIC, while a large percentage of PAS members who disliked contests declined to even submit tapes for consideration.

Poor enrollment plagued the Percussion Ensemble Contest since its inception. Sixteen groups entered the first contest in 1985. In the years to follow, enrollment declined sharply, leaving only a few contestants each year Eventually it became evident to all concerned that a change in the contest was imminent.

When the Percussion Ensemble Committee met at PASIC '89 in Nashville, full attention was given to realigning the philosophical direction of the Percussion Ensemble Contest. Considerable discussion tool place with regard to moving away from a "winner/loser" event and emphasizing instead the selection of a predetermined number of outstanding ensembles to perform at PASIC As a point of reference, the Percussion Ensemble Committee consulted the guidelines used by MENC for selecting musical groups to perform at the MENC National Conference. In doing so, the members of the Percussion Ensemble Committee chose to utilize a similar format for selecting percussion ensembles to play at PASIC

The committee moved to retitle the Percussion Ensemble Contest and voted to call it the "Percussion Ensemble-Call for Tapes." It was determined that the

existing guidelines could continue to be used as an effective means to process applications and tapes. The committee also expressed strong support for the practice of numbering each tape in order to insure anonymity. Finally, the committee agreed that in the future, judges would simply be asked to recommend the most qualified ensembles to perform at PASIC rather than selecting a designated winner.

By slightly shifting the focus of the Percussion Ensemble Contest, the "Percussion Ensemble-Call for Tapes" offers PAS a new philosophical direction and creative outlet for percussion ensemble activities. The statement of purpose for the "Call For Tapes" reads as follows:

The purpose of the "PAS Percussion Ensemble-Call for Tapes" is to encourage, promote and reward musical excellence in percussion ensemble performance and compositions by selecting the most qualified high school and college/university percussion ensembles to appear at the annual convention.

It is the hope of the Percussion Ensemble Committee that the new philosophical direction will encourage greater participation and enable PAS to feature a wide range of high school and college/university ensembles in showcase concerts at PASIC. I encourage you to consider performing at PASIC in the future and to submit your ensemble materials to the "Percussion Ensemble-Call for Tapes." By increasing the number of applicants, we will ultimately be able to increase the number of percussion ensemble slots at PASIC. Furthermore, I can assure you that there is no greater reward than performing for your percussion colleagues at PASIC. This is a "musical" experience which far surpasses merely winning a contest **[For more information, see page 57.]**

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1989 PAS Competition Winners

Tony Cox



ACH YEAR THE PERCUSSIVE ARTS Society holds auditions to select two percussion ensembles to perform at its annual convention. The auditions are divided into the

classifications of high school and college level ensembles. To participate in the competition, ensembles send audition tapes to a PAS selection committee, which, in turn, selects winners and runners-up at both the high school and college levels. For PASIC '89, held in Nashville, Tennessee, the two groups selected to perform were the McAllen High School Percussion Ensemble, McAllen, Texas and the Shepherd School of Music Ensemble of Rice University, Houston, Texas, directed by Richard Brown.

The first group to perform at the convention was the college ensemble. For some of the ensemble members, it was their second year to play at a PASIC. In 1988, a few of the ensemble members played for the pre-convention concert in San Antonio, Texas. For PASIC 89, the Shepherd School ensemble performed a concert which included traditional compositions and a taste of jazz.

As part of the concert, the Continuum Percussion Quartet performed *Fourscore* (1985) by Irwin Bazelon and *Third Construction* (1943) by John Cage. The Continuum Quartet is made up of students from the Shepherd School Ensemble and rehearses as an independent ensemble. As stated in the concert program, the purpose of the quartet "is to present works for percussion that are intimate and engaging in ways that are only possible with a small ensemble."

The Shepherd School percussion program is made

up of eleven members ranging from freshman to graduate students. Each year the school accepts two freshmen and one graduate student into the percussion studio. Primarily, the studio is designed to prepare students for performance-oriented careers in the field of percussion. Some of the specific areas of study at the Shepherd School include jazz improvisation, Latin percussion and playing in the recording studio.

The percussion program at McAllen High

School consists of about thirty students. To select the students that would perform at PASIC 89, director Scott Reddoch chose the top ten percussionists from the first concert band. Since the ensemble doesn't have a regular meeting time during school, the group was forced to rehearse after school. Preparation for the concert began in September and continued until the convention. Besides the percussion ensemble, the percussion students at McAllen can also participate in a marimba ensemble and a steel drum band. Of the three groups, only the steel band meets as a regular class during school.

For the group from McAllen, this was their third year to audition for the ensemble competition. The level of students in the McAllen group ranged from ninth to twelfth grade. Unlike the Shepherd School ensemble, this was the first trip to PASIC for the high school group. The members of the group were very excited about the convention and admitted to being just a little nervous about performing for so many percussionists. In the end, however, the students from McAllen gave an outstanding performance.

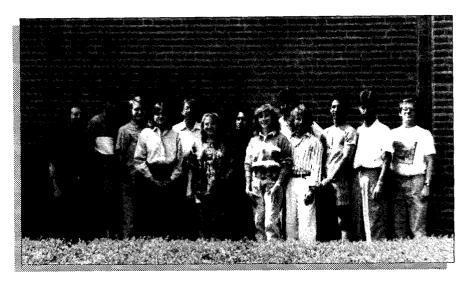
At the conclusion of both concerts, the students and directors were very happy with their groups' performances and with the attendance at both concerts. Both directors wished to thank their school for the financial support to attend the convention. Also, the directors were very grateful to all the manufacturers that donated instruments for use during both concerts. The PAS Percussion Ensemble Contest concerts puts the potential of percussion ensembles in perspective for PASIC attendees. For further information on how your group can partici-



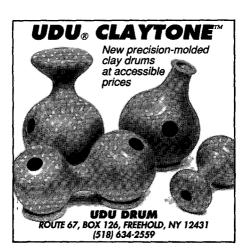
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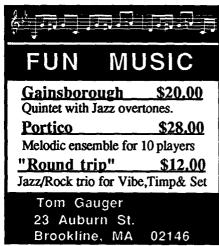
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Here is this issue's question It concerns the PAS Percussion Ensemble - Call For Tapes. (see Doug Wolf's and Tony Cox's articles.)

Why do you think there has been such poor participation in the PAS Percussion Ensemble contest over the years? What is your reaction to the change from "contest" to "call for tapes" initiated by the PAS Percussion Ensemble Committee?

OK, let's hear it. Put pen to paper and take a stand! We need to hear from you! Send your response to

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Forum Response

What role (if any) should steel drum instruction and performance play in a percussion major's undergraduate education?

Dear sirs:

I am writing responding to the "Focus on Education" which appeared in the April 1990 issue of Percussive Notes The question for that issue concerned steel drum performance in the college curriculum

First, let me state that I am in favor of required steel drum instruction and performance for percussion majors, but as a former percussionist turned businessman, I find it hard to believe that PAS could support such a notion There are plenty of traditional percussion instruments to keep the student percussionist busy (some should be busier than others!)

However, it is evident by your articles that the steel drum is quite popular. It is amazing that there are so many bands with so few builders. I am interested in putting together a company to manufacture steel drums. Let's face it, right now a raw 55 gallon barrel can be bought for around \$25 and turned into a beautiful instrument for as much as \$1000!! (Now that's a glorified garbage can!) A well run business could possibly reduce that high mark-up as much as 25%. Think of the savings that schools could benefit from by bypassing the single craftsman The American industry has proven that it can manufacture better goods than any competitor (the possible exception being the compact automobile) With the demand for steel drums increasing with such profitable percentages possible, we will be sure to see the mass manufacturing of steel drums soon.

Sincerely, Mr. Rusty Hammer President, Big Barrels Incorporated

Panhandle, FL

Editor's Note: OK, this is a bogus letter (no joke?) Percussive Notes did not receive one letter (zero) in response to our initiation of the "Focus on Education"

> Forum back in April. So I ask the question that has plagued editors for years, "Is there anyone out there?" Your opinion is important! Check out the forum in this issue and let us know what you think.



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Percussion Education in Norway

Andrew P. Simco



ORWAY—"THE LAND OF THE MIDNIGHT sun!" A land of crystal clear streams and fjords, pine trees and mountains! This is the picture that comes to mind when one thinks

of this beautiful Scandanavian land. It is however, also a land where an interest in percussion is rapidly growing, where competition for jobs is getting stiffer, and most importantly, where the level of playing and instruction is rising at a fairly fast pace. It is this unknown "picture" of Norway which concerns us here. I will attempt to describe it, albeit in a general way, with the result that the reader will at least gain a feeling of what has been and is going on here regarding percussive education.

In order to do so, we need to take a very quick look back in time to 1964 or thereabouts to see what percussive life was like then Up until this period, percussion teaching was mainly in the hands of musicians connected with the local orchestras in Oslo, the Oslo Philharmonic (then known as the Philharmonic Society Orchestra, that name lasted until 1979) and the Norwegian Opera, and in Bergen by those associated with the Bergen "Harmonien" (since 1987 known as the Bergen Philharmonic). With the arrival of Per Erik Thorsen as principal percussionist in the Oslo Philharmonic, and of Paul Hægeland in Bergen, things changed over the years Each was instrumental in developing a program in their respective cities which gradually turned out students of sufficient caliber to carry on the work that they started into the 1970s, 1980s and now the 1990s

In Oslo, Per Erik Thorsen, solo percussionist with the Philharmonic from 1964 through 1987, and currently a member of the section, is considered by many to be the "founding father of modern percussion teaching" due to his work not only with the Philharmonic and his many recordings of contemporary Norwegian literature, but also to his years on the faculty of The Norwegian State Music Academy (known here as Norges Musikhogskole), and later The East Norway Music Conservatory (Ostlandets Musikkonservatorium) Many of his former students are carrying on the work he began, and have succeeded him on the faculties of both institutions His systematic and thorough approach to teaching brought organization to the system and was instrumental in raising standards of both teaching and playing. In Bergen, Paul Hægeland did somewhat the same with his work at the Orchestra and the Bergen Music Conservatory (Vestlandets Musikkonservatorium). In Stavanger, Trondheim, and in regions further north, percussive education has developed at a much slower pace, due mainly to the population distribution, which is centered in the main cities of Oslo, Bergen and Trondheim. Indeed,

in Trondheim and the north, it is still somewhat in an embryonic form. Christian M. Berg, is the newly appointed solo percussionist with the Oslo Philharmonic He cites the lack of a sufficient student enrollment at the local conservatory as a major barrier to growth in this area. During his time in the Trondheim Symphony, there were at most two or three percussion students at the music conservatory there.

The best way to enable the reader to understand what percussive life, especially in an educational sense, is like in Norway today would be to follow a "typical" student's course of instruction from youth to college and career opportunity. As we come to each stage, the author will describe the type of instruction available along with any method books used

The "typical" percussion student starts out associated with a school band called in Norway "skolekorps" or "Janitskorps." Just about every elementary school (called barneskole) has one, and the band is run by the parents who make up the Board of Directors. They hire the band director and any instrumental instructors needed, which in our case includes a percussion instruc-



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tor. At this stage, the instructor is either a very good student from the conservatory or a young professional just getting started. The student begins as an "aspirant," literally an aspiring musician, one who is given instruction, but not allowed to perform with the band until his skills mature sufficiently to enable him to manage at least the simplest requirements. Instruction at this stage is at its most basic, the student being given a pair of sticks and a printed tutor (text), plus some "Daily Practice Exercises" usually written by the instructor. The student

usually works out of these for several weeks or months, or until he is sufficiently trained to progress to full membership in the ensemble itself. Age of the players ranges from 8 years to 15 years, with the older players generally playing the more complicated instruments. The student learns basic techniques on bass drum, cymbals with a little glockenspiel thrown in. Thus equipped, the student participates in the events of the band, concerts and parades looking forward to the "Big Day" for the korps, the 17th of May, "Syttende Mai," Norway's Constitution Day, in which all of the local skolekorps march in the famous "Children's Parade" Every city and town has their own celebration on that day.

In addition to the weekly practice sessions, the korps provides semi-annual seminars for the members. These are usually held on weekends, and are usually an overnight affair, with instruction on both Saturday and Sunday. They involve the whole band, which breaks up into groups according to instruments. The percussion is taken as a section Instructors for these seminars are either advanced students from the music conservatory or professionals The author has personally conducted several of these seminars, and can explain from experience the "goings-on" What is involved here are demonstrations of technique, (everything is done in group instruction), ensemble playing, and going through the music the band plays regularly The seminars are designed so that the student will "stretch" him or herself. Here is an example Saturday morning, 9 30-12 00, group technical instruction covering specifics on snare drum, bass drum, cymbals, traps and keyboard instruments. Saturday afternoon, 130-430, more of the same, plus ensemble training, using the Tom Brown series This teaches them to listen not only to what they do, but to each other Sunday morning, 9 30-12 00, group instruction with emphasis on music the section has been playing in, or will play.

Depending on the student's interest, age and capability, method books vary The most often used book for the skolekorps percussion student is the "Practical Instruction in Snare Drum," by the noted Norwegian composer and percussion pedagogue, Kjell Samkopf The book comes in two volumes, and it is quite simple and direct. The nearest equivalent the Americans have would be the well used Rubank Elementary Series. As mentioned earlier, emphasis on percussion instruction during the skolekorps years is on snare drum with bass drum and cymbals coming next in priority Mallets are next and timpani is last to be taught and mastered. Most korps in the outlying areas include at least glockenspiel, with the larger cities including xylophone, marimba and chimes However, in the outlying areas, tunable rototoms are used as timpani substitutes due to the lack of funds and also of adequate instruction. The larger cities have gradually rectified this situation since most of the korps now own their own timpani. However, for the most part

timpani remains the most difficult of the percussion instruments for the student to master

Before we move on to the high school level, a note of explanation is needed concerning the types of schooling. In America, one has the elementary school (from grades 1-6), junior high school (grades 7-9) and high school (grades 10-12). In Norway, the system is somewhat similar, although starting age for pupils is 7 years. Elementary school, called here "Barneskole," goes from grades 1-6; the equivalent of junior high, called "ungdomskole," covers grades 7-9 and high school, which is called "Gymnas," or "Videregænde skole," covers grades 10-12.

We now look at percussion life at the high school level. When the student reaches the age of 15 or thereabouts, he is finished with skolekorps and ungdomkorps in general. Although if interested, they can progress to the amateur adult bands, called "voksnekorps." If the student is sufficiently skilled and exhibits musical talent, he or she might not go to the regular high school, or "gymnas", but might apply to and attend "videregænde skole." This offers most of the regular high school curriculum with the special addition of an expanded curriculum in the student's field of interest, in our case, music. The school has a "musikklinje," a music curriculum containing instrumental instruction, theoretical subjects, ear training, music history and ensemble. This curriculum is designed to help students learn more about music in addition to developing their instrumental skills. It also helps them determine their future course of education



N OSLO, THERE ARE TWO SUCH SCHOOLS with music as an emphasis, Manglerud Videregænde Skole, where the author is responsible for the instruction of percussion;

and Foss Videregænde Skole, where Anders Rønningen, timpanist of the Norwegian Opera Orchestra, is in charge of the program. Since the videregænde skole covers the high school curriculum, the music curriculum is also a three year affair. This brings the student to his or her 18th year and college. Percussion instruction at this level is more intensive than at the elementary level. My own experience as an instructor at Manglerud Videregænde skole can provide a pattern for the type of instruction offered. The first year student receives a more thorough grounding in the rudiments of percussion with emphasis on snare drum and mallets. The emphasis in lessons is for the students to organize themselves properly through practice procedures involving rudiments, sight reading and preparation of pieces for performance.

Many of the first year students have had irregular instruction at best (mainly involving seminars and occasional visits from the instructor who didn't necessarily teach every week). I tend to go over the basics of each instrument rather thoroughly "from the ground up"

so to speak. To aid the student, the Podemski method on snare drum provides excellent assistance, as do the Goldenberg books on snare drum and mallets. I also encourage the students to use the 'Stick Control' series on snare drum. This book by G.L. Stone has proved invaluable in the development of the roll and other rudiments.

The first year students are not subjected to any juries so they are free to concentrate on developing their technical and musical skills. In both the second and third year the student is expected to play semi-annually before a jury of music teachers on snare drum, mallets and timpant. We continue to develop tone and technique, but the emphasis changes to performance Together the student and teacher choose pieces that will best serve the student's needs, and the student is then put through his or her paces. They have the opportunity to "try out" each piece during student concerts. This builds their confidence and prepares them well for the jury Officially, the school offers ensemble training, a wind and percussion ensemble one semester, and a jazz ensemble the next. While there is no specifically planned percussion ensemble, I try to have several percussion ensemble sessions a year in addition to the regular teaching

My colleague over at Foss Videregænde skole has his own method of teaching, but the goals and the basic methods are the same. At this stage, the student has reached the end of his 3 year course of studies, and now must choose the course of his higher education. This education may be interrupted by a one-year stint in the military forces, (compulsory for all males of 18 and over), in which case the student, if sufficiently diligent, may enter one of the many military bands scattered throughout Norway. After his one year in the military is over he returns to the college scene, subject of course to college entrance exams and auditions.

The serious student should by this point have had a chance to seek out as many performing opportunities as possible through the adult "janitskorps," and through the Norwegian Amateur Symphony Orchestra League which offers summer and winter seminars and concerts. Also available is the Norwegian youth Symphony which meets every summer up in the peaceful village of Elverum Entrance is by application and a small stipend is offered to the successful applicant to help with tuition and room and board. The Youth Symphony rehearses and trains for a series of three or four concerts performing demanding literature such as Mahler's "Fifth Symphony," Stravinsky's "Le Sacre du Printemps," Holst's 'The Planet," Nielsen's "Fourth Symphony' and other such literature. The students are given several days of intensive instruction at the beginning of their season (usually the month of August) After the week or so of intensive instruction, which includes just about all of the literature to be covered during the season, the students then go into rehearsal and concerts. This program, instituted in 1973 by Harry Kvæbek, Leif Jorgensen and Karsten Andersen has been a rich source of material for the orchestras in Norway today. Rolf Cato Raade, for merly timpanist of the Trondheim Symphony and newly appointed to the same position with the Swedish Radio Symphony, is a graduate of Elverum, as is Tom Vissgren, timpanist of the Bergen Philharmonic, Rune Martinsen, solo percussionist of the Norwegian Opera and Bjorn Loken, now on the faculty at East Norway's Music Conservatory, to name a few



HILE THE YOUTH SYMPHONY IS OPEN to students of high school age, it is usually high school seniors and college students who take part. As mentioned before, the Norwe

gian Amateur Symphony Orchestra League, with its semiannual seminars and concert series, is the more usual route for students to develop their potential. Before moving on to the college level, one last word concern ing videregænde skole. Not all students who are talented and have a desire to try their hands at a music curriculum are able to get in. So what often happens is that the student may enroll in a normal gymnas (high school), and also take private instruction through the nearest videregænde skole as a sort of aspirant. He or she pays extra for a weekly lesson in order to keep up his or her percussive abilities, and at the end of three years may apply to the school for a position in a special Fourth Class. This class is strictly devoted to instrumen tal music, theoretical and eartraining. It is a course designed for those students who have the desire to prepare for a college music program and are sufficiently prepared for the one year course. The course is literally a "cram session" with auditions at conservatories and entrance exams the main goal. Entrance to the course is by audition and entrance exam

Let us now assume that the student has successfully completed his or her high school studies, and has passed the entrance requirements for a music school. The main schools of opportunity include the Norwegian State Music Academy, East Norway Music Conservatory in Oslo, and the West Norway Music Conservatory in Bergen There is also the Rogaland Music Conservatory in Stavager, and the Trondelag Conservatory in Trondheim But due to enrollment and population, most of the work is done in Oslo, Bergen, with some progress in Stavanger

The music courses available to the student are very similar to those in America. For example, at the Academy in Oslo there is a four year course, with the graduating student being known as a "kandidat," which is similar to a Bachelor's program. A fifth or sixth year successfully completed gives the student a "Diplom," the equivalent of a Master's degree

The percussion staff of the Norwegian State Music Academy is presently made up of three individuals, Kjell Samkopf, noted percussionist, composer and pedagogue, Trygve Wefring, assistant timpanist with the Oslo Philharmonic and for many years percussionist with Norway's "New Music" Program; and Rune Martinsen, from the Norwegian Opera. Kjell Samkopf has the primary responsibility for keyboard mallet instruction and administration. Trygve Wefring teaches timpani and percussion ensemble and Rune Martinsen concentrates on orchestral percussion and snare drum The students receive one hour a week on each main area of percussion which means up to three hours weekly.

Regarding timpani instruction, the incoming student has to show some facility with tuning, as well as basic technique. From that basis, the goal of the students both

at the Academy and Conservatory is to improve both tuning and technique and to instill in them a concept of a sound that will enable them to play well, both orchestrally and in a solo capacity. The Goodman "Modern Method of Timpani Playing," and Fred Hinger's "Timpani Technique for the Virtuoso Timpanist" are the most often used books. Works such as the "Sonata," by Daniel Jones and Elliot Carter's "Eight Pieces," to name a few, offer the

student scope for developing solo skills. The orchestral repertory is covered and often relates to what the Oslo Philharmonic is playing in a particular week, especially if it is a work such as "LeSacre," or any of the Mahler Symphonies, etc

Mallet instruction is quite thorough. Students must master the intricacies of the marimba, xylophone, vibraphone, glockenspiel and chimes Emphasis is placed on technique, musicality, sight-reading and tone. The Leigh Howard Stevens "Notebooks" Volumes 1 and 2 provide an excellent guide here along with sight-reading material and exercises chosen by the various instructors Rob Waring, noted vibraphonist and free-lance musician from New York, is also on the faculty of the East Norway Conservatory, and has written many fine exercises and instructional aids for vibraphone. So there is no lack of proper instruction in this area. George Hamilton Green's "Fifty Studies" for Xylophone is also used.

Concerning snare drum, the Goldenberg "Modern Method" provides a good basis, especially with its section on orchestral percussion Sight-reading for juries and exams comes out of this book. The Delecluse series of "12 Etudes" is also a rich and rewarding source of sight-reading material as well as his "Initium."

Each of the schools field a fine percussion ensemble The Academy's program is under the direction of Trygve Wefring. The Conservatory is under the direction of Rob Waring and there is one at the Rogaland Conservatory, under the direction of Ivar Atle Fjordheim, timpanist of the Stavanger Symphony Each ensemble gives concerts

throughout the school year. The Oslo ensembles appear on the series of concerts held at the famed Edward Munch Museum, as well as at various schools. In addition, they have been very active in appearing at the yearly symposium of the Norwegian Percussion Club.

The students are subject to a jury exam semi-annually from the second year on and are expected to give a recital, especially if they participate in the "Diplom" program. They can choose the program and some choose to perform a solo work with the orchestra

From then on it is every man for himself in the increasingly competitive job market in Scandanavia. There are opportunities to play free-lance in the the-

> aters, as extras with the Oslo Philharmonic, Bergen Philharmonic, Stavanger Symphony, Trondheim Symphony and the Norwegian Opera Orchestra when needed Also teaching with the various korps is an option

> Due to the efforts of the faculties of the above mentioned schools and conservatories, the standard of playing and teaching is immeasurably higher than it was even 15 years ago. The results can be seen in the increasing

number of fine musicians turned out by the schools in demanding positions: Christian Berg, Oslo Philharmonic since 1989, previously Trondheim Symphony, 1984-89; Tom Vissgren, timpanist, Bergen Philharmonic since 1983, Hans Kristian Kjos-Sørensen, acting principal, Bergen Philharmonic, (from January 1990) These are just a few of the students who have profited from the example of Per Erik Thorsen and his successors who have done much to ensure the future of percussion in Norway.

Percussion is indeed alive and well in Norway! Andrew P. Simco received his B.Mus. and M.Mus. in percussion from the Manhattan School of Music where he was a pupil of Fred D Hinger and James Preiss. After graduation in 1975, he worked freelance in New York until 1977, when he was appointed timpanist of the Albany Symphony and Lecturer in percussion at Dartmouth College. In 1980, he was appointed Adjunct Instructor of Percussion at the University of Evansville, and timpanist with both the Evansville Philharmonic and Owensboro Symphony Orchestras, positions be beld until 1983, when he was appointed solo timpanist of the Oslo Philharmonic, a position be still bolds. Since bis appointment in Oslo, be has served as percussion coach with the Norwegian Youth Symphony, substitute lecturer in percussion at the Norwegian State Music Academy, and since 1984 has been lecturer in percussion at

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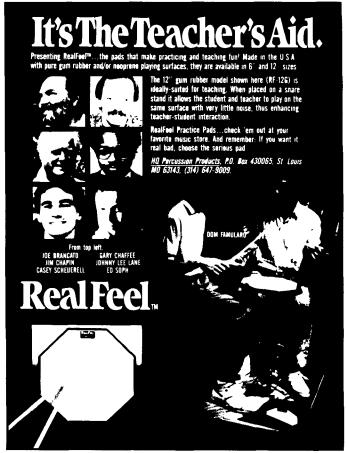
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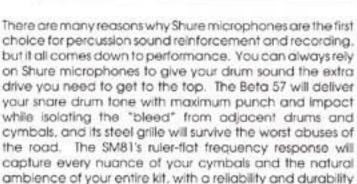
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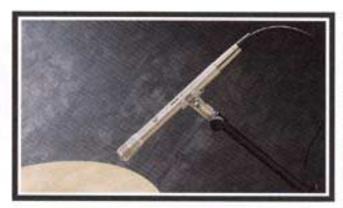










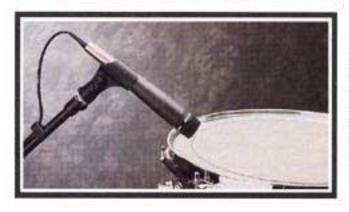


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The Agile Pedestrian: Melodic Freedom for the Timpani as Illustrated in Byron McCulloh's "Symphony Concertante for Timpanist and Orchestra"

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TIMPANIST MAY CHOOSE FROM A PALETTE of expressive choices within the expressive capabilities of his instrument, but these choices are also limited by one's musical

concept and the compositional material. The range of expression includes timbral color, dynamic intensity, forcefulness of rhythm and control of pitch. But composers often fail to consider the extent of melodic flexibility of our instruments. Teachers advocate careful tuning of one pitch at a time, a useful and difficult skill if one is counting and surrounded by other sounds. However, by overlooking the option of producing a melody, young players and composers are channelled into a conceptual mode that is unnecessarily restrictive.

When one thinks of how orchestral timpani writing has evolved, e.g., from Handel to Beethoven to Mahler to Bartok, a tendency towards ever more flexible control of pitch becomes apparent. New performance techniques

tend to follow improvements in technology. As early as 1912 a breakthrough occurred when Gerhard Cramer, timpanist at the Court Theater in Munich, claimed invention of the drum that "in an instant, (could) be tuned to any desired note" (Benvenga, 1979). Since then, other mechanical improve-

ments have truly given the timpani a melodic voice. Although the timpani serve well their usual assignment, that of providing a harmonic/rhythmic foundation on the tonic and dominant of the key, some composers have explored additional melodic possibilities.

Byron McCulloh, composer of the *Symphony Concertante for Timpanist and Orchestra*, has succeeded in granting an exceptional degree of melodic freedom to the soloist. Furthermore, his effort created a substantial 24 minute opus that significantly augments the solo repertory for timpani. For the performer, it presents the challenge of honing one's pedalling technique to make it playable. McCulloh's treatment of the timpanist's ability to change pitch without pre-tuning is auspicious. In order to follow the contour of the melodic line, the feet must move the pedals with an agility comparable to a string player's left hand. In this context,

"tuning" is archaic usage as it implies something that preceeds, rather than occurs during, the act of execution. Just as with instruments of the other orchestral families, the timpanist finds the pitch as the contour of the melody reveals itself. Composers who take the time to study this work will gain an appreciation of the melodic capabilities of the timpani, and have this newly acquired information at their disposal." This is one piece that should find its way into a few orchestration texts.

The work is a symphony concertante, which is appropriate considering the musical history of the instrument. The four movements are entitled *Introduction and Allegro, Elegy* (E B R. via Mozart), *Vivo Insectile* and *Proclamation and Finale*. A large 20th century-sized orchestra is matched against the soloist's arsenal of five pedal timpani, four roto-toms and eight tom-toms. The percussion section has not been slighted, it takes four

performers to cover xylophone, glockenspiel, vibraphone, marimba, chimes, two suspended cymbals, crash cymbals, four antique cymbals, three elephant bells, tambourine, sleigh bells, triangle, two piccolo wood blocks, four temple blocks, gong and bass drum Most prominent are the colorful brush strokes

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a glorious effect.



upon the broad second movement canvas, and the arduous élan during the insectlike *Vivo*, both delivered by the section performers.

For the solo timpanist, it is in the rigors of the first movement that his mettle is most tested. It has been performed alone without the other movements and has the most relevance to the topic at hand. A few excerpts will convey the movement's character.

Perched upon the requisite stool situated at the fore of the orchestra, the soloist establishes his presence by rolling upon octave C's interrupted by sforzando accents - it's a glorious effect (Figure 1). The context of this first encounter between tympanic tone and human ear is one of vertiginous swells of dense orchestral texture. Overall, it functions as a sort of motto, reappearing in varied form in the codas to the first and last movements (Figure 2).

Immediately following the octaves is one of the more ambitious licks (Figure 3). It is still fast at quarter note equals 60. Developing the necessary agility and accuracy provides a resource with which to confront

challenges later on. The upward and downward motion of the major third is accomplished on a single timpano each time; pre-tuning is out of the question. Dividing the gesture at the mid-point yields a melodic motion that mirrors itself. This motif of chromatic inversion is common throughout (e.g., cadenza in Figure 7; also see Figure 4).

The primary thematic passage of the Allegro moderato exposition is illustrated in Figure 4. Here the melodic liberty is of grand spirit! Many of the rapid stepwise pitch changes are best executed on a single drum Aside from facilitating the technical execution, pitch alterations played on one timpano produce a seamless timbre that tends to extend the continuity of phrase This has an impact from an expressive standpoint just as the low string on the violin has a unique character, so does each timpano.

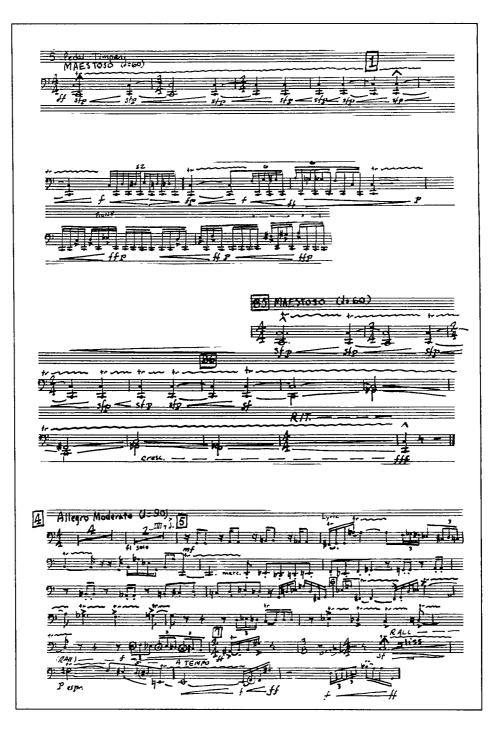
Instrumentalists can always tell if a composer "knows the instrument," meaning the writing is done in an intelligent manner. The sequence surrounding rehearsal number seven in Figure 4 illustrates the point. Adjacent pitches such as these lay well on the pedals as compared to wider intechnical tervals characteristic of the timpani is that a drum remains tuned to the last pitch played and therefore may be replayed without re-tuning, i.e., with-

out requiring a foot upon the pedal. The composer seems aware of this as the initial five beats of Figure 4 are performed on drum II and return to the initial starting pitch, setting up a G for use in the third bar.

Timpani virtuosity also consists of control and agility as illustrated in Figure 5. In contrast, Figure 6 portrays the lyncal capacity of the drums. A healthy rubato, though

not explicitly demanded, would be characteristic here

Doubly ambidextrous use of the solo player's four limbs, lead-in motion by eyes and ears are required in the first movement cadenza (Figure 7) Before working



out the requisite choreography, hearing and memorizing it with the aid of a keyboard instrument is useful. Solfegging one line while playing the other, or solfegging both lines arpeggio in a harmonic manner, are approaches that help to internalize the counterpoint. For composers, this passage emphasizes the extent to which pitch manipulation is possible



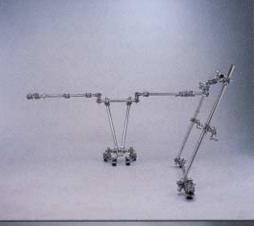
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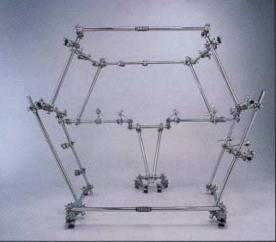




















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brought up an octave, and allows the solo line to be heard. It is an acoustical fact that higher frequencies will cut through more readily than slightly lower frequencies of equal amplitude. Even pitches a fourth apart, eg, a high e on drum III against a B on drum II, require sensitivity to this phenomenon.

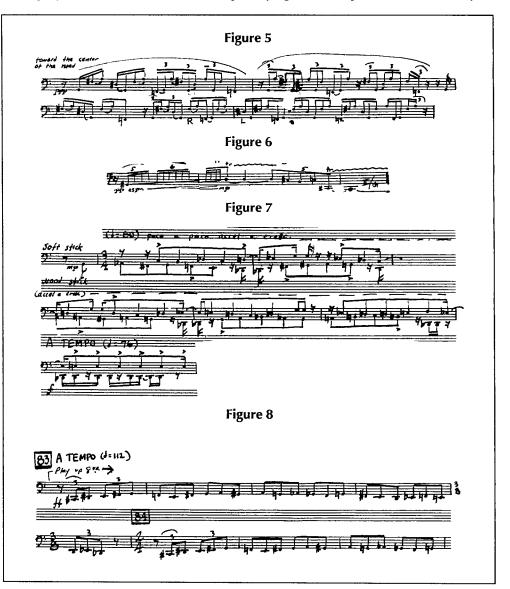
The highpoint of the second movement is a salute to Mozart. The climax quotes the *Tuba mirum* of that composer's *Requiem*. Entering on a cross-rhythm, the timpani create a tension that clashes the inevitability of death against the good natured optimism of that melody. The richness of the orchestration here rivals that of Stravinsky's *Rite of Spring* (Figure 9).

Communication between composer and performer is not usually possible. When available, the advantage should be taken. Although not indicated in the score, thin wood dowels on natural skinned congas and bon-

gos effectively evoke insect activity and match the concurrent twanging of strings in the *Vivo Insectile* third movement. The ethnic instruments also work well where hand playing is required (see Figure 10). The score indicates eight concert tom-toms, however the composer suggests that whatever sounds most in character is the proper solution. A humorously effective compositional device used by Mr. McCulloh elsewhere in the same

movement is unison accompaniment of the soloist by the piccolo, a passage later repeated in canon with the contrabassoon (Figure 11)

The fourth movement, *Proclamation and Finale*, starts segue from the third with a pre-recorded tape of the timpanist that is accompanied by the live player (Figure 12). The cadenza of this movement presents the soloist with an opportunity to write his own music (the only indications are slow, accel., fast, furious, rall. and slow; about 40 seconds). Overall, it is a movement of contrasts portraying both the power and sensitivity of



which the kettledrums are capable.

The slant of this article is not meant to imply that automatic adjustment of the pitch is any substitute for fine tuning of intonation. One may conclude that timpanic tradition will evolve so that adjustment of head tension is more spontaneous. Elementary instruction on timpani should begin with scales, melodic exercises, double stops and the like, so that upcoming players and their peers

1989 Mr Kluger performs as principal timpanist and does research in the field of molecular neurobiology

Those interested in perusing the work discussed may contact Mr Arthur Cohn, Director of Serious Music at Carl Fischer, Inc., 62 Cooper Square, New York, NY 10003

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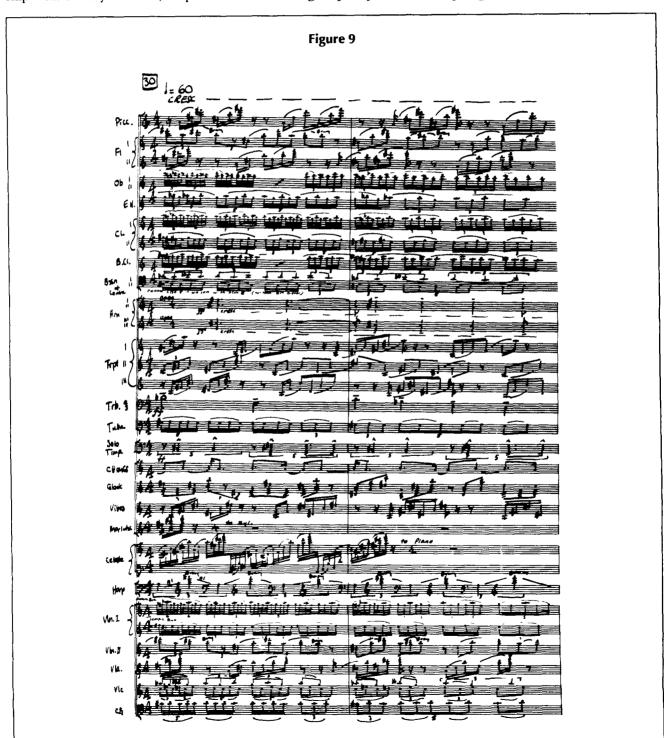


consider this style commonplace. Such an approach would be in the interest of both their musicianship and the expressive powers of the instrument.

It took a timpanist (Benjamin Britten) to write the Nocturne for Tenor and Small Orchestra That piece contains passages in which the timpanist becomes an agile pedestrian The Concertante was also written by a composer familiar with timpani by virtue of his friendship with Stanley Leonard, timpanist of the Pittsburgh

Symphony to whom the work is dedicated. The "takehome" message here is that melodies on all twelve chromatic pitches are accessible to timpanists. More composers and educators should avail themselves of this fact.

Marty Kluger performed the Symphony Concertante for Timpanist and Orchestra with the Springfield Symphony Orchestra, Springfield, Mass. on December 9,



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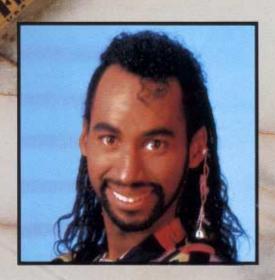
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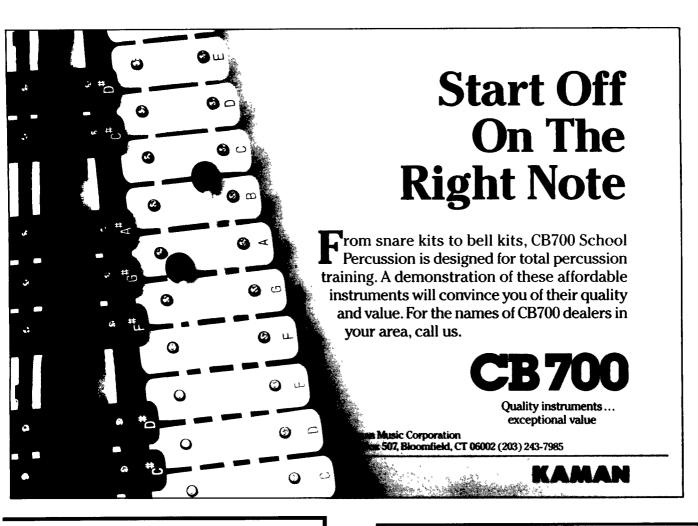
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A Buyer's/Seller's Guide to Antique Percussion Instruments

Brian Stotz



ITH ALL THE TECHNICAL ADVANCES IN today's percussion instruments, what is it about antique instruments that can cause a condition akin to hysteria? Why would a

seemingly mature percussionist practically salivate upon hearing of the availability of a Gladstone snare drum, a set of "Parsifal" bells, or an "Artists' Special" xylophone? I'm sure we have all heard the old saying, "They don't make them like they used to," and in many cases this is true with percussion instruments produced during the first half of the century Back then, the business motto was "spare no expense to achieve quality," and this is evident in most if not all the instruments made during that era.

Most of us lucky enough to own one or more instruments from this "golden age" can probably relate a story similar to this "I found a Deagan 870 xylophone for sale, this old lady had it in her attic for 50 years and it

was in mint condition, but she sold it for \$100!!" Unfortunately, most antique instruments are usually not in mint condition, and when confronted with the possible purchase of a less-than-perfect instrument, how does one know what is salvageable and what is mere junk?

The following information may prove useful to you should you happen to come across a vintage

instrument in need of restoration. Also, this could be helpful to those of you attempting to sell antique instruments and achieve your asking price.

Drums

Nowadays it is becoming difficult to find a good sounding wooden shell snare drum. Most of the major drum companies have gone entirely to a metal shell since it is much easier and less expensive to produce. And while the argument of a wood versus a metal shell will probably rage forever, most percussionists agree it is a good idea to have one of each in their collection.

Probably the most famous snare drum ever produced was the Gladstone. Anyone familiar with this instrument knows it was well ahead of its time in design and construction. Every part of the drum was first rate, and this is apparent in the price these drums can command: I've known of several that have sold for \$5,000!!

Ridiculous, you might say? That's open for debate, but as the old saying goes, the price is as high as the market will allow.

Another fantastic snare drum was the Slingerland Radio King. Here again, an instrument ahead of its time. The tremendous strength of their shells kept them in round for decades, all due to the efforts of its builders in creating something that they hoped would outlive them all.

When buying an antique drum, always check to see if the hardware is original and in working condition. Drums from the early part of the century usually had eyeless hoops with clawhooks through which the tension rods passed, and very unique and interesting snare strainers. The shells of wooden drums should be free of splits and cracks, but these can be reglied if not too severe. It may be a good idea to remove one of the heads to check the inside of the shell as well. Metal

sheets can be put back in round, but wooden shells, when out of round, are sometimes impossible to repair

With regards to the lip on wooden shell drums, I've seen several articles in Modern Drummer Magazine suggesting that you can repair or reshape this lip by using a rat-tail file NEVER DO THIS!! There is no possible way you can provide an even, level

provide an even, level bearing surface for the head by performing this by hand. Only a high-speed shaper or router with a chamfer bit can properly do this. Filing by hand can ruin the lip and probably the drum. And if too much material is removed from the lip in an effort to level it, it cannot be replaced!



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Timpani

Unlike drums and keyboards, most timpani built years ago are inferior in sound and construction to those made today. However, there were exceptions. Leedy made some timpani with deep bowls and extremely sharp bearing edges, and these drums have a very good sound and resonance. Early Ludwig timpani also had good sound. But with the advent of the extended collar and larger bowl diameters, it is indeed rare to find a set of antique timpani in any of the concert halls of major orchestras. It seems the major advantage in owning a pair of these drums is portability. Most modern timpani

are quite massive and will not easily break down to fit in a small car

When looking for a good buy on old timpani, be sure to check the bearing edge of the bowl. If it is not perfectly level, only major work will correct it. Otherwise, minor bowl dents, cracks and damaged or missing pedal parts can be restored.

Keyboard Instruments

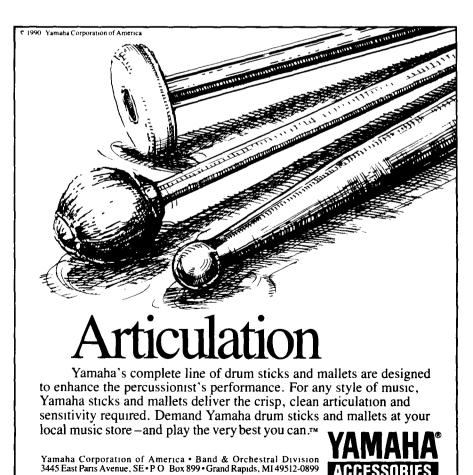
Many percussionists (myself included) believe that keyboard instruments reached their peak during the penod from 1910-1940. This was the time when the two leading companies of the day, Deagan and Leedy, were in competition to produce the best instruments, regardless of the expense. Most of the xylophones and early marimbas of the time used only straight-grained, top quality rosewood that was seasoned for several years before use. Consequently, the bars have aged and stabilized for all these years, and today it is quite possible to use the hardest plastic mallets without denting them in the slightest (however, I don't recommend hard plastic mallets on anything but bells) Therefore, if the bars on these early instruments are intact, the instrument is generally worth its asking price, since repairs or restoration to the frame or resonators can be easily done with modern materials Today, most of the best rosewood is in

short supply; even then, to obtain it from certain parts of Central America requires assistance by helicopter gunships! And according to noted bar expert Bill Youhass of Fall Creek Marimbas, most new instruments not only have bars that dent easier but also require re-tuning within a year of manufacture

Glockenspiels were far superior to those made today since the bars were high carbon steel which is too expensive to produce today Anyone familiar with Deagan "Parsifals," "Round Tops" or Leedy wide-bar bells from the 1910's and 20's knows that there is nothing available today with a comparable sound This is especially true of the "Parsifals" which had resonators. Early vibraphones from the late 20's and 30's also had the same high carbon steel bars, which are incredibly rich sounding as compared to today's standard aluminum. As with xylophones and marimbas, if the bars are undamaged, the instrument is worth it. Glockenspiel cases are easy and relatively inexpensive to replace, and all the components of a vibe frame can be made from scratch.

As the interest in antique instruments continues to rise, so too have the prices. But there are still bargains to be found, and to those of you still looking, keep your eye out for white-haired ladies with large attics!

For my next percussion repair and maintenance article, I intend to solicit some helpful hints from some of our leading professional timpanists on how they change and tune timpani heads. Perhaps some interesting controversies will occur!



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- 2. Compositions should be 4-8 minutes in length.
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Practice Techniques for Efficiency in Learning Mallet Keyboard Instruments

Kristen Shiner



HE PURPOSE OF THIS ARTICLE IS TO provide the reader with practical information on how to practice mallet keyboard instruments and to differentiate these practice con-

cepts from concepts involving other percussion instruments.

There are six basic skills to be mastered in order to play mallet instruments (vibraphone, bells, xylophone and marimba), and they are as follows:

- 1 proper grip and stroke action
- 2. speed and accuracy in technique (legato and non-legato)
- 3. sight-reading ability
- 4. muscle memory skills
- 5. smooth rolls (tied and untied)
- ability to assign good sticking patterns to written music.

When a student plays the snare drum, he learns a vertical stroke and stands in a stationary position in front of the drum. A different physical approach is necessary when playing mallet instruments because the keyboard is spread out horizontally. This may not occur to the student and he may tend to play the instrument as he



would a snare drum, using high vertical strokes, thus losing some technical accuracy. Standing in a stationary position to play a mallet instrument would also cause problems, as the student would be off balance when shifting registers.

The student should stand in the middle of the playing area so that his weight can be shifted to address the section of the instrument being played. In the case of larger instruments such as the marimba, the student should learn

to walk back and forth by comfortably crossing the feet or sliding them from side to side, keeping in mind that he should always face the instrument directly, not at an angle

As for musical exercises, the concept of a vertical multiple bounce stroke on a snare drum can be translated to a horizontal "drop stroke" on a marimba First, have the student drop his mallet on one note as a springboard for a series of random notes across the keyboard (either up or down) in a sweeping motion. The hand should be kept low and relaxed, and there should be only one large motion containing smaller, connected motions, just like the single wrist stroke which produces a number of buzzes on the snare drum. After the stroke feels relaxed and smooth on random notes, specific pitches (i.e. open fifths or an arpeggio) may be practiced. The left and right hand patterns for a major scale may be practiced separately and then combined to produce a relaxed, legato sound (see figure 1). This fast legato technique is essential when playing a piece like Flight of the Bumblebee or a Bach violin transcription

Figure 1 "Drop stroke" one motion = many notes Ex.: preparation for major scale result = smooth & fast



REPEAT PROCESS GOING DOWN SCALE

Another must for mallet instrument study is a thorough understanding of music theory and the ability to execute scales and arpeggios fluidly. Music theory (scales, arpeggios and harmony) should be taught using the circle of keys. Have the student first practice scales individually. Then have him play through the circle of keys without stopping. Begin with C, then play through the flat keys and the sharp keys and vice versa. The ability to look ahead in harmonic sequence is an essential part of the mallet player's overall musicianship. Also, it is important to visualize arpeggios and scales as shapes and groups of notes NO LESS THAN ONE OCTAVE AT A TIME in order to master the vocabulary keyboard percussion.

Practice Time

Musicians spend a vast amount of time practicing, but don't always use this time efficiently. In order to maximize efficiency and develop concentration, practice time for mallet instruments should be divided into the following areas: technique, kinesthetic exercises, repertoire, and sight-reading.

These four areas should be part of every practice session.

While working on technique (i.e. scales, arpeggios, double stops and rolls), the student should concentrate on correct hand position, stroke, even tempo (METRONOME!) and accuracy. It is important to remember that percussion students who start by learning snare drum will have a natural resistance to learning mallet instruments; the challenge of reading pitches and playing accurately can seem overwhelming. For this reason, the first few lessons should allow the student to get comfortable with the instrument by playing exercises and familiar tunes learned by rote, not by reading music. This is an excellent way for young mallet players to maintain enthusiasm for a sometimes technically frustrating instrument.

Perhaps the most important idiomatic element in playing percussion keyboard instruments is kinesthetic sense (or muscle-memory) because of the lack of tactile sense used as in piano playing. Although seldom addressed in method books, this skill is THE KEY to playing percussion keyboards well. Muscle-memory can be developed by practicing "focus" exercises, in which the player looks only at one central note or area and uses peripheral vision and muscle movement sense to play the correct notes (see figure 2). This skill should be practiced at least as much as scales and arpeggios, perhaps even more, as the student progresses. [For a more complete set of focus exercises, see "Idio-kinetic Exercises for the Marimba" by Gordon Stout (PN, July 1986)].

Figure 2—Focus exercise for muscle memory Look only at "focus" note = practice slowly so muscles may "remember" distance



* Practice this type of exercise using other scale patterns such as chromatic and whole tone.

Kinesthetic sense as well can be developed by looking only at the music while playing. Using peripheral vision as a guide is the key to developing good sight-reading ability, which is essential. Keep in mind that muscles will only develop correctly if focus exercises are practiced very slowly and concientiously, and we must continually remind our students of this. [George Hamilton Green's *Instruction Course for Xylophone* (Meridith) is

perhaps the best source of published practice guidelines, as it emphasizes slow, accurate practice. This book is highly recommended for development of two-mallet technique.]

Many students spend hours practicing a piece and yet still seem unprepared during lessons. The problem lies in the method of practicing The student needs to master an effective learning sequence, as outlined here, for thorough and accurate learning of music

At the first reading, work out STICKING and write in where necessary, with the intention of practicing as such from then on (see Appendix 1, Guidelines) COUNT! Don't guess at rhythms thus learning them incorrectly ISOLATE difficult passages and practice them until they are correct. Then practice the passage in the context of the piece until the entire section can be played without stopping. ALWAYS READ GROUPS OF NOTES, not individual pitches, noting the musical line and its shape. Make a mental note of stepwise motion and melodic leaps, eyeballing the pattern. It may help to draw phrase marks over note groups and occasionally have someone move a piece of paper over the line of music as it is played, forcing the eye to READ AHEAD Analyze some of the harmony (arpeggios, chords, etc.) before playing to increase awareness of the larger structure

When the learning sequence has been completed and the piece is thoroughly and accurately learned, it is advisable to MEMORIZE it for performance. This allows attention to be focused on technical accuracy and musicality rather than note-reading. An invaluable aid to memorizing music is to study it away from the instrument. Be able to visualize the music being played on the keyboard so that in a performance situation, the intellect can be relied upon when the body is hampered by nervousness.

A part of every practice session should be devoted to sight-reading. Keep a selection of music on hand solely for this purpose. Remember that good sight-reading skills develop from consistently reading without stopping. For a more complete guide, read "How to Sight-read Correctly" by Gordon Stout (PN, Winter 1989).

Practicing efficiently is difficult for beginner and professional alike, but it is a valuable skill, well-worth learning. And the greatest gift a teacher can give a student is patient encouragement.

Appendix

Guidelines for deciding on sticking patterns for two mallets:

- 1. In general, sticking alternates between hands
- 2. Use double sticking where necessary and musically appropriate:
 - a. Begining by looking at phrases, not single beats, and decide which hand to begin with, using alternate sticking. The most appropriate sticking avoids awkward cross-overs.

- b. If sticking needs to be doubled to avoid a cross-over on a leap, use double sticking on a weak beat, not on a downbeat. This keeps musical punctuation strong (see examples). Use double sticking on smaller intervals, if possible.
- c. Usually, repeated phrases have the same sticking for continuity and ease in memorization (see example). An exception would be
- when a new pattern follows a sequence, and the new pattern needs to start on the other hand to avoid crossovers in leaps in that new pattern. (see example)
- d You may occasionally use double sticking on a downbeat if the rhythm is slow enough to retain force. (See examples)
- e. If possible, use double sticking on the same manual.



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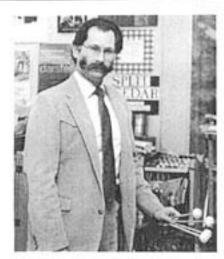
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sionist be acquainted with as many types of music and instruments as possible; not only for artistic gratification but for practical reasons as well. The imbales, which are the only Latin drums played with sticks, serves as an ideal vehicle for the integration of Latin rhythms intour musical vocabulary. Since percussionists already have a certain amount of stick technique, tone production is less difficult as compared to congas and bongos which require more time to master the various hand strokes.

The timbales are descendants of orchestral timpani used in the European influenced Cuban Danzon bands in the early 1900s. Greatly evolved since then, the timbales have become an integral part of the Latin percussion section and Afro-Cuban music as whole.

Today's typical timbale set-up consists of two singleheaded, metal drums. The small timbal is set in front of the player (right-handed), the larger drum is to the left, a holdover from the timpani. Normally, two cowbells are mounted on a holder attached between the drums. The large mambo bell is on the right, while the smaller cha-



pended cymbal is often used to complement the set-up.

Aside from learning the basic patterns for the timbales, it is essential to know which sounds to use and when to play them. For instance, when a softer sound is desired, the 'timbalero' plays on the shells of the drums. This technique called pails or cascars is used during a soft vocal or instrumental section, such as the beginning of a song or a piano solo. Here is an example of the most commonly used cascara pattern played on the shell of the small timbal. This pattern can also be played on the bell and is used for mambo and other fast tempos. As with all time-keeping patterns, the clave is outlined within the rhythm. The following example combines the 2-3 clave played with a rim-click on the large timbal with the cascara played on the side of the small drum.

Example 1



The same rhythm can be adapted to the 3-2 clave by starting on the second measure. In this next example, the left hand strikes the large drum on beats two and four, alternating between muffled and open sounds. The stick rests on the small timbal.

Example 2



Two-handed cascara patterns are often played; the right hand on the small timbal shell and the left on the large. The resulting sound adds a crisp, metallic edge to the underlying foundation provided by the congas and bongos. Here again, the clave is incorporated within the accents of the pattern, as in the following example of the 2-3 cascara. The left hand fills in the accents of the right at a much softer dynamic level.

Example 3



A trademark of the timbales is the 'abanico'. Literally translated as fan, the abanico is a short fill which acts as a pick-up to the rhythm and is also used as a cue to signal a break or change in the music. The abanico, played on the small timbal, generally consists of a rim shot on the third beat, followed by a roll on four, leading to another rimshot on the downbeat of the next measure. The roll can be played in different ways depending on tempo and individual preference. For fast tempos a press roll is sometimes used and played with the left hand; the right hand plays both rimshots. The following is an example of the abanico leading into a moderate cha-cha tempo. In this case a nine-stroke open roll could be used.

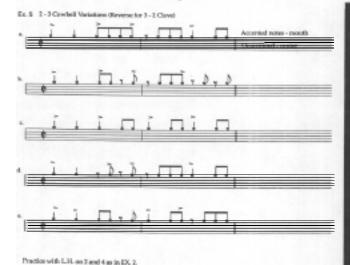
Example 4



Left hand played with stick-muffle by pressing into head

The mambo bell is played during louder sections such as an ensemble instrumental chorus or during the montuno section, a repeated figure which provides a base for the soloists. Typically, mambo bell patterns are often played on both the mouth and center of the bell. For an authentic sound use the shank of the stick with a strong wrist stroke. The first example for 2-3 clave is one of the most popular bell rhythms for faster tempos, followed by some common variations.

Example 5



Aside from playing supportive roll in the Latin rhythm section, the timbales are an exciting solo instrument capable of wide range of sounds and expression. Timbale solos are often played over a montuno wing syncopated counter-rhythms and short thematic phrases that cross over bar lines and ignore downbeats. The use of contrasting timbres and tonalities such as muffled and open tones, rimshots, flams and rolls, can all be used to create a complete musical statement.

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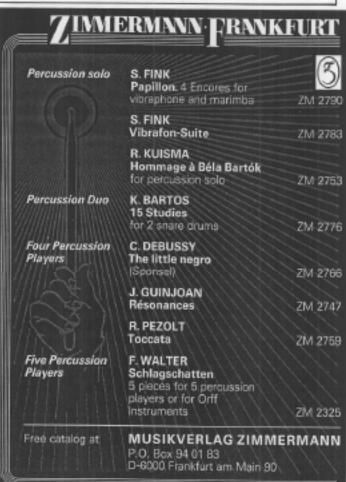
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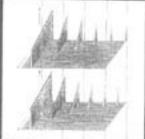
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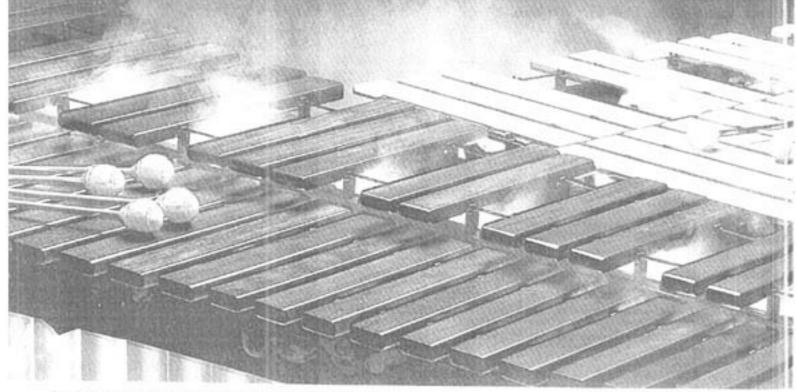
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Percussion in Our Orchestras

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HE FOLLOWING ARTICLE ORIGINALLY appeared in the International Musician, the official journal of the American Federation of Musicians in June of 1949. From it we can

get some insights into the attitudes towards percussion at the time. Probably of most interest are the photographs of the percussionists many of whom have retired or died. Many are legends in our profession such as William Street, Cloyd Duff, Saul Goodman, Fred Hinger, Charles Smith and Sam Denov who are seen at the beginning of their careers. Others are not as well known but no less deserve to be recognized as progenitors of our profession. Iwould like to mention that the article was written by Hope Stoddard who was assistant editor of the journal at the time and is being reprinted with the generous permission of the International Musician.

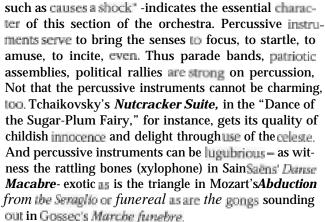
When the cymbal player suddenly stands up, holds out two shining discs and lets go with a gigantic when, then sits down and for the rest of the evening looks as though he were quietly working out a game of chess, don't decide, "That's a pipe job. Wish I could earn my living that way!" Because if you were a cymbal player and let your hands slip as easily into a false move as your mind slips into this false conclusion you would keep your job just about one week. The truth is, never was a profession more exacting. Never was a higher premium placed on poise, on control of the nerves, on

split-second timing, on an inviolable sense of rhythm. One wham an evening perhaps. But if that wham comes one hair-breadth too late or too early, a concert is ruined, a reputation lost.

Also a tympanist, Saul Goodman of the New York Philharmonic Symphony Orchestra pointed out to this writer in a consultation on percussion, to be a percussionist requires

more than that inviolable sense of rhythm, It requires a highly developed sense of tone color. Though a drummer here and there may be satisfied if he manages only to come in on time, the true percussionist lives in a world of sound values and tonal shadings which the average person could scarcely even comprehend. Then, too, the true percussionist revels in dynamic power-in the burst of sound, in the enveloping thunder.

The very word, "percussion" - "the sharp striking of one body against another, violent collision, especially



In the smaller orchestras one man— and many folks consider watching him worth the price of their ticket — leaps from cymbals to chimes, to triangle, to gong. In orchestras of medium proportions there is usually a regular tympanist, plus a regular percussion man. The larger symphony orchestras have threeof four members of the percussion section who, aside from the kettle-drummer who "stays put," are able in moments of stress to give their attention to any of the large variety of instruments. It is to be understood, though, each member is considered a specialist on one instrument, say, on the cymbals or the xylophone, and, except in emergencies, reserves its use to himself. In many orchestras when

the score calls for extra percussion an extra man is engaged. When budget considerations make this impossible, as in the smaller orchestras, a note here and there just has to be skipped.

Probably because our age is one of starts and shocks, as well as one of inventions, modern scores are rich in percussive effects. These, in fact, can be bought ready made. Unlike Beethoven, who created storm

in his "Pastoral" out of the usual orchestral ingredients, Grofé in his *Grand Garryon Suite* actually uses wind machine to simulate the effects of storm. George Antheil uses an airplane propeller to indicate the actual sound of the contrivance. Ibert in his *Discripsement* indicates the whistling of a music hall audience by a siren. Eric Satie, when he wants to give the effect of a typewriter, uses a typewriter. And Resphight in his *Pine of Rome* duplicates the song of a nightingale by having the phonograph record, be it noted, is customarily played by one of the



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men in the percussion section. Also it is the percussion section which achieves, in Honegger's "Pacific 231," the illusion of the sound of a train moving. Percussion means drums to most people. Kettle drums (so named from their shape) do dominate the section. Many of ur major symphony orchestras are equipped with four, though some get along with three or even two. Each instrument is confined to a range of about a perfect fifth. Their composite range is about:



Quick shifts in pitch-brought about either by hand or by mechanical device-are a requisite in such works as Richard Strauss' "Salome's Dance" and in D'Indy's Summer Day on the Mountain, as well as in such modern American works as Copland's Billy the Kid, William Schuman's Third Symphony, Sam Barber's First Symphony and his Stop Watch and an Ordnance Map.

The Kettle drums – tympani is the other word for them – are used generally in *forte* passages to reinforce the wind instruments, especially the trumpets. At the end of his Fourth Symphony Beethoven gets a mysterious pianissimo effect through their use. And music lovinstance in the Scherzo of Beethoven's Ninth, a whole range of joyous and triumphant emotions.

A versatile member of the drum family is the snare or side drum - that small cylindrical object with two

heads (the "batter" head and the snare-head) stretched over a shell of metal. It is a body and bone to Ravel's Bolero - and for that matter to most compositions in which the rhythm is preeminent. Single notes on it are not effective. It is utilized mostly for its roll which produces a tremolo, its "flam":

and its "drag":

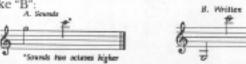


The tenor drum is larger than the snare drum and has a wooden shell deeper in relation to its diameter than that of the snaredrum.

The bass drum, that largest member of the drum family - it measures from two to three feet in scored it in his Military Symphony, Mozart used it in his Il Seraglio, and Berlioz in his Symphony Fantastique.

like the keys of the piano.

The glockenspiel (this translates "bell - play") has a chromatic range and sounds like "A," although it is writ-



The rectangular steel plates are arranged like a piano keyboard and are struck with hammers varying from wood to soft rubber. The player reads notes on the treble clef written two octaves below what he actually plays. Composers, a word of warning! Use the glockenspiel sparingly since it has a tone as penetrating as an icy wind. Wagner stepped up the "Dance of the Apprentices" (from The Mastersingers) with its use and Tchaikovsky gave the "Chinese Dance" in his Nutrcracker Suite just the right lift through its medium.

The celesta is a sort of keyboard glockenspiel, since it has a simplified pianoforte action. This instrument is best adapted to arpeggios and light graceful chordal effects. Since its tones cannot be sustained for any length of time, whatever melodies are assigned it should contain no notes of great length. And, since its tones are of ethereal fragility, accompaniments should be thinly scored.

Pitched an octave below the glockenspiel and coners have become conditioned to either conveying, for siderably larger than it, the xylophone has bars of wood instead of steel. The player, a hammer in each hand, stands while performing. Its tone is dry and wooden. That rattling of bones in Saint Saëns' Dance Macabre pretty well describes it.



Philadelphia Orchestra (L to R): Leonard Schulman, Fred Hinger, James Valerio, David Grupp

A variant on the xylophone, the marimba consists of diameter- has thicker heads (stretched less tightly) than a series of bars of wood cut to sound various notes, each the two smaller drums. A soft-headed stick produces onbar equipped with a metal resonator tuned to it. Its top F it sounds thunderous or quietly awe-inspiring. Beethoven is one octave lower than the top F on the xylophone. used it in the finale of his Ninth. Symphony; Haydn Percy Grainger has made use of it in two compositions.

Of definite pitch also are the chimes, a set of metal tubes - eighteen is the usual number - suspended from Drums set the beat in the percussion section, The a metal frame, tuned chromatically and struck with a group which provides melody is called the "tuneful per- hammer. They simulate the sound of church bells admicussion." Most of these instruments possess bars which rably. Tchaikovsky uses them in his 1812 Overture, are graduated in size and arranged in scale progression Mahler in his Symphony No. 2 and Sibleius in the fourth movement of his Symphony No. 4.

As for the instruments outside the realm of definite pitch, probably most dramatic of all are the cymbals, those two brass plates (with leather handles) made slightly convex so that the edges will touch when they

are struck together. There are five "effects" depending on the technique involved: a clashing together with a sideways movement; a single cymbal struck with a hard snare drum stick or a soft tympani stick; the clashing of the two cymbals together again and again as fast as possible; the performance on a single suspended cymbal of a roll with two hard snare drum sticks or two soft

tympani sticks; and the clashing of a free cymbal against one fastened to the shell of the bass drum, this last a maneuver to allow the drummer to sound his drum and the cymbals simultaneously.

The tambourine, a small single-headed drum in the

shell of which are inserted "jingles," is played (1) by striking the head with the knuckles (the jingles set off automatically); (2) by shaking the whole shell, thus obtaining a "roll" of the jingles; or (3) by rubbing the thumb on the head, thus giving a tremolo to the jingles. An instrument of ancient lineage, this was

used in almost its present form by the early Romans.

That small steel bar bent in the shape of a triangle –

hence the name – and struck with a beater of the same material, was first used in Gluck's Iphigenie en Tauride and Mozart's Abduction from the Senglio, "Turkish" variations on the theme. Liszt's Piano Concerto No. 1 in E – flat is often called The Triangle Concerto, so lavish was his scoring for this instrument. Curious, but the triangle has the power of blending with whatever harmonies are played around it.

With the gongs (also

known as the tam - tams) we come to a typical "mood" instrument. This platter-shaped affair - the center is set in vibration by a mallet or drumstick - has a dark, rich mysterious sound. Fittingly, it came from the Far East.



Cleveland Orchestra (L to R): Cloyd Duff, Emil Sholle, Frank Sholle, Harry Miller

So here are the usual run of orchestral percussive instruments. Space prevents our more than mentioning the anvil, castanets, rattle, thunder machine, guiro (a serrated gourd scraped with dry seeds - Prokofiev use it in Alexander Nessky). chains and any number of other sound machines modern inventiveness has thought up.

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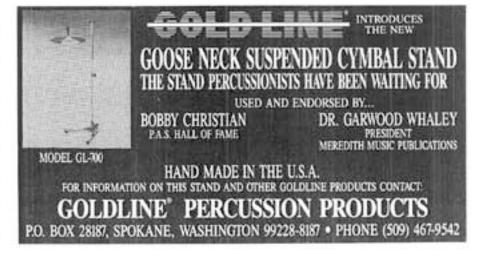
proper execution on them requires qualities of character unvarying and dependable, that is, utter precision, perfect sense of rhythm, muscular and nerve control, timbre and awareness. As Berlioz stated, "The drummer ought to be an excellent musician and endowed with an ear of

extreme delicacy. That is why good drummers are so rare." Incidentally, Berlioz gave practical proof of his respect for the drummer by using all of sixteen tympani with sixteen drummers beating them in his Requiem. It would have made him very happy, we are sure, could he have heard a modern percussion section executing

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Ravel's Bolero, Stravinsky's Histoire du Soldat or Varèse's lonisation.









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Problems in Recording the Vibraphone

Jerry Tachoir



OR THOSE OF YOU WHO HAVE NEVER recorded your vibraphone in studio, it can be an ear-awakening experience. Not only the desired sound but unwanted noise and

distracting buzzes and rattles go on tape if your instrument is not studio ready. With the price of studios what they are, it can be very expensive and time consuming to wait until you are in the studio to make adjustments in your equipment.

All musical equipment, especially the mechanical ones like vibes, marimba and drums, need to be made studio-ready and constantly maintained, even if it is a new instrument. Dealing with annoyances in the sound studio can lx a real burden, killing the creative mood of everyone involved.

I "se a Musser M-55 Pro Vibraphone and have found few standard adjustments necessary on all Musser vibes.

- 1. On older M-55 vibes, there is a leg brace on both sides that allows the instrument to fold. There is metal rivet button that willbuzz at certain frequencies. A quick and permanent remedy for this is towrap some electrical or any available tape around the bracket and cover the rivet push button. This problem has been solved by Musser where they now use a leg brace that is longer, connecting the frame with the leg at the place were the pedal connects with the leg, using wing nut to attach it.
- 2. There is a metal hinged cover that goes over the belt assembly that vibrates where the plate touches the wooden frame. Placing felt or something soft under the plate solves the problem.
- There are certain sympathetic vibrations that occur on all instruments and change from room to room.

The only way to deal with these problems is to allow enough time to set-up and play your instrument in the room. Vibrations from the resonators or the frame can generally be eliminated with some available duct or electrical tape. Certain frequencies set off vibrations in the room, on mic

stands, control room windows, lighting etc. It is generally preferred to have a fairly dead room to eliminate room noise.

Transients can be a real problem and difficult to deal with. Transients are the high overtones that are generated from the vibrating bar and mayor may not be heard by the ear, causing the W meters to peak and generally distort and saturate the magnetic tape. I have

found the the notes \mathbb{D}_i \mathbb{E} and A of the upper octave to be real transients. The problem can be dealt with in several ways:

1) Make a mental note of which notes cause these transients and play them softer. However this approach tends to take away your creative freedom, and is difficult to think about when recording.

2) Experiment with different mics and mic placement. All mics have certain characteristics and their specs will show their frequency curve. Where the curve peaks the corresponding frequency will also be emphasized when played, and the reverse istrue for any dips or sags in the curve. I prefer to start with a fairly flat sounding mic. The curve will be represented by a straight line across the frequency spectrum of that mic. I attempt to find the true sound of my instrument without any colorations from the mic itself. Certain PZM microphones have a flat response and record very true and in certain situations; Neumann U-87's also produce a nice warm sound on the vibes.

Once we've decided on the mic, our next challenge is placement. There are many factors to consider when placing the mic, however, your performance and ability to play your instrument without interference with the mic should get prime consideration. If your recording sounds bad because the microphones got in your way, nobody will ever say that itwas the engineer's fault.

I try to keep my mics about two feet above my vibes, between the B-flat and C-sharp on the bottom end and the G-flat and B-flat on the upper end. Other factors to consider are: a) leakage from other instruments b) size of the room c) type of mic (uni-directional,

cardioid, etc.). Tell the engineer where you want the mics and that you want a flat sound and let him help decide on the correct mic.

3) If all else fails, limiters and compressors can be used to squash these transients before they go to tape. Be careful in using these machines; they can

create an unnatural sound. Some engineers only want to use compressors and limiters as outboard gear in the mix; however, if you have an over-saturated vibe sound on tape, caused from the transients, they cannot be removed later. When listening to your vibe sound, don't be too concerned with the W meters; listen to the sound and be sure that it is not distorting, and that the transients are not too hot. Some engineers will be quick



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to point out that you can't possibly be hearing distortion, the VU meters show that there is plenty of head room. Let your ears be the judge.

In summary, I find that vibes are one of the most difficult instruments to record. Both the mechanical aspects and the nature of the sound make it a real challenge, but with today's excellent innovations in microphones and recording technology it is possible to get a good recording of vibes.

Now that we have a good sound on tape, we must clear our heads and concentrate on getting our best and most artistic performance recorded, Good luck and may we all receive a Grammy.



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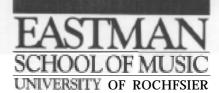
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Focus on Drumset/Studio Percussion

Electronic Percussion: The Artist or the Medium? Norman Weinberg



UST A PEW DAYS AGO, IRECEIVED A VERY nice letter from Gordin Roward of Springfield, Ohio. Mr. Roward pointed out that he was one of the first twenty-five chartermem-

bers of our Percussive Arts Society. After introducing himself in the letter, he wrote:

"In playing marimba, my wrist control produces a very wide range of dynamic control. From the rafters roaring to the silence required to heat pin drop! This is more than can be produced on the piano or organ where the control stops at the key. You are right about some routine commercial ads. But nothing can replace the real artist. I believe this expresses my concern for electronic drums."

I thank Mr. Rowand for sharing his views and taking the time to respond to the article in the Spring 1990 issue of *Percussive Notes*. Lagree with him one hundred percent! Nothing can replace the real artist. But, the question is then: "Who is the artist, the performer or the medium?".

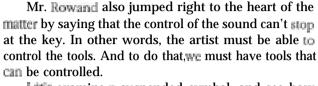
While some advertisers would like you to think differently, most readers wouldargue that the performer is the artist. The medium is just the tool used to convey the message. To say it in a nutshell...you can't compose like Stravinsky by simply buying a certain brand of manuscript paper.

The other side of the coin is also valid. Manuscript paper is a tool. Without the proper tools, the artist may

not be able to turn his ideas into reality. To push this analogy even further, the tool of manuscript paper carries with itcenturies of history. The five line staff is ideally suited for our particular type of Western notation which has developed duet" our particular musical instruments (additional tools).

Would Stravinsky have been able to express his artistic talent if notation still relied on neumes placed around a single line staff? What would Stravinsky's music have sounded like if his tools were entirely different (no major/minor system, only string instruments, adjustable tuning systems, etc.)?

The point of defending both arguments is to realize that the artist is the creator who must use the available tools to convey his or her art. Both the artist and the medium are intertwined and married together in a symbiosis that is essential to art's very existence.



Let's examine a suspended cymbal, and see how this tool can be controlled by the artist. First of all, the artist can select the type of beater used to initiate the sound. Small tips create different sound than large tips. Hard sticks produce a different sound than soft sticks. Heavy sticks invoke a different sound than light sticks. You might even say that sticks of different materials contribute another facet of the sound: wood, plastic, nylon, cord, wood, foam, rattan, etc. One could even go further by choosing less common materials such as a cello bow, fingers, coins, combs, etc.

After the artist decides which beater to use, the next consideration could be playing position. Play near the bell, on the bow, or close to the edge? How close to the edge? How far from the bell? Is the cymbal going to be hit once or struck many times to create a roll? Perhaps the coin is scraped from the bell toward the edge. Perhaps the bell is struck with the shaft of the stick rather than the tip. All these factors need to be weighed by the artist.

Next, the artist must decide how hard to hit the cymbal (or how fast to drag the coin across the surface). A cymbal is a" extremely dynamic tool. Any volume,

from "rafters roaring" in "pin drop" is available to the artist

Last but not least, the artist needs to decide the length of the sound. Will the cymbal decay naturally? If the sound is muffled. should it stop abruptly or feather its way into silence? Should any muffling be em-

ployed while the cymbal is being struck?

As you can see, the cymbal is a tool which possesses numerous parameters just begging to be controlled. By making different choices, a" artist could create literally thousands of sounds. Is it possible to create a" electronic cymbal that can be controlled to this extent? Why not? In fact, let's inventone right now.

We'll need to start with controller that is about the same size, shape, and weight as a" acoustic cymbal. By doing this, we'll make the instrument "feel" anatural as possible. Our controller must be able to sense the posi-



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tion of the beater, and it must be very responsive to pressure so that it can respond to dynamics in a natural manner. Our controller should also be able to sense pressure at sane point when it's grabbed by the hand during muffling.

Take a look at the llustration. This potential controller is made up of concentric ringsof force sensing resistors. FSR technology is not new (currently it is used in products by several manufacturers), but it is rather EXpensive. Because FSRs read changes in pressure rather than vibration, they could be placed very close together without fear of cross-talk or false triggering. This controller is broken up into two halves so that the performer DEV to create such an instrument exists, the price of could program two unique sound sources. This way, it would be easy to emulate the use of a different stick in each hand. The controller should also include an area that could be touched in order to produce the effect of muffling the sound.

The signal from the controller must now go to a trigger-to-MIDI converter. The converter's job would be read the signals from the FSRs and then determine

where the cymbal was being struck. Depending on its position, each FSR could be programmable along several MIDI parameters: MIDI channel, MIDI note number, minimum velocity, maximum velocity, velocity curve, velocity sensitivity. Typically, an FSR near the bell of the controller would fire the sound of an acoustic cymbal being struck in the identical position. Velocity switch, velocity crossfade, note stack, note alternate, and other MIDI features could be included to give the controller more versatility.

The muffle surface should be able to generate a variety of MIDI information. Ition would be an FSR and respond to pressure. Normally, the amount of pressure could be mapped to Note-Off velocity low pressure readings make the sound fade gradually while high pressure levels cut off the sound more abruptly), but it could also be used for things like pitch bend, vibrato, master volume, or stereo pan controls.

The signal from the trigger-to-MIDI converter would then go to sound generator. The sound generatormust have many, many cymbal samples in its memory. We'll need samples of cymbals from six to twenty-six inches in diameter. We'll need samples of small light wood sticks, large heavy yarn mallets, and samples of everything from coin scrapes to fingernail pings and up bows.

The current MIDI specification allows sixteen discreet channels. Each channel is capable of receiving 127 different note numbers. A little math will show that there could be maximum of 2,032 different sounds available at one time. If more sounds were needed, they could be

stored on an optical disk for automatic transferral to the sound generator when they were required,

The sound generator should be able to receive any type of MIDI data and route it to any control availables the machine. Perhaps velocity could be mapped to the attack portion of the amplitude envelope, the filter cutoff frequency, the stereo placement, vibrato, or a hundred other parameters. Readings from the muffle surface could also be routed to any parameters or groups of parameters.

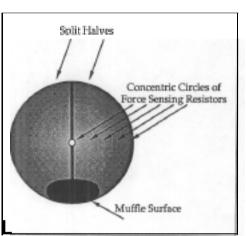
As you might guess, an electronic percussioninstrument like this doesn't yet exist. Even though thechnolmanufacture would be prohibitive. For example, if each of the 2,032 sounds were five seconds long (in order to catch most of the natural decay), the sound generator would require almost 170 minutes of sample time. With a sample rate of 44.1k per second (the sonic quality of a compact disk), that amounts to over 400 megabytes of

While that may not be practical at this time, who

knows what the future will bring? Many people remember when six transistor radio was over a hundred dollars, and just a few years ago, digital watches were only for the wealthy. As the price of memory continues to goes down, and the construction and manufacture of electronic devices becomes easier, faster, and cheaper, instruments like this may end up in the discount stores.

If an instrument like this did exist, it could be controlled along several more parameters than its

acoustic counterpart. In addition to the choices of instrument, beater, playing position, volume, and duration, decisions could be made concerning the the sound's envelope, vibrato, pitch bend amount, frequency content, stereo placement, and more. But, would it be musical? Would it be cast aside because it wasn't a "real instrument" capable of true musical expression? Or, would the artist be able to express his control over the tool, and make it become medium of subtle nuance? What do you think? Is it the artist or the medium?.



FOCUS ON RESEARCH

The Indigenous Use of Raspers and Ratchets and its Influence Upon Western Art Music

Norman Weinberg

HE FAMILY OF PERCUSSION INSTRUMENTS
I among the oldest known to man. Their invention and discovery are lost in time. However, their worldwide use by various tribes, cultures and races attests to their ancient past. The focus of this research was to examine the types of indigenous percussion instruments that produce their sound by scraping.

Primitive man (or even the higher apes) struck two items together to scare other animals or to warn their neighbors of territorial trespasses. It is but a small progression to the rubbing together of those same two items to produce rasping sounds. This basic sound-producing technique can be seen in very young children. When toddlers are handed two sticks or toys, they often begin hitting them together and then rubbing them together.

The act of scraping is so basic to human nature (and

the sounds it can produce are so unnatural) that the earliest musical use of raspers has been linked to mystical orreligious ceremonies. The Aztec culture used bone raspers at the funeral rites of kings and principal warriors. But even at that time, the rasper had developed to the point where it was resonated for extravolume. Bone raspers have

also been found in the Pekarna Cave in Moravia, Czechoslovakia dating from the Paleolithic era. Paetkau seems to believe that these Paleolithic bone raspers were used by hunters, 2 perhaps to flush game and animals out into the open.

Raspers have been used in many places by prehistoric man. Notched sticks have been found in the Great Basin, the Plains, and near the Gulf of Mexico. There is some evidence that these sticks were placed on baskets or inverted pottery to increase their conance. In India, the Muria Ghonds of the Baster State have a legend of the first musician. This god (who had the ability to play eighteen instruments at one time) was named Lingo, and played all of the basic instrument types known to the tribe including raspers! Pre-Colombian cultures of South America used raspers made of dried fruit shells which may have been the historical precedent to the

pine cones which were rubbed together to accompany the dancing in certain parts of Portugal. A more modern use of the rasper can be found in the washboard of the North American Black. This normal household object, played with sticks or fingertips covered by thimbles, was normal progression in the history of using the available materials at hand to makemusic. Just as the Paleolithic hunter used bones and the North American Black used washboard, cultures have always used common materials to build their instruments.

The ratchet or cog rattle, as it is sometimes called, is a technical innovation upon the simple rasper. As a later mechanized form, it can be looked upon as a combination of the operator (the stick used to rub the surface of the rasper) and the sound-producing source (the body of the rasper itself) into one unit. An interesting reversal of roles takes place for the operator now produces the sound while the cogwheel initiates the sound. The ratchet

consists of a cogwheel which is either revolved, twirled, or spun by means of a handle against one or more semi-stationary tongues of wood or metal. When rotated, the tongues strike the cogs of the wheel, producing the characteristic sound.

Known by names such as Crecelle in France, Ratsche in

Germany, Raganella in Italy, and Carraca in Spain, the ratchet is an instrument with widespread and diverse uses. In addition, its history dates back quite far. Homanoi, whose illustrations show an already advanced state of development, gives several depictions of types of ratchets. One depiction is of a box rattle, were large container with four slats set at different angles designed to hit the tongues at staggered intervals. Another illustration is of large ratchet used during Holy Week in Spain and Mexico. Called the Matraca, this instrument consists of approximately twenty sprockets on a large wheel which can revolve to strike a single tongue.

The religious uses of the ratchet have varied. In the Roman Orthodox Church, ratchets were used to replace the bells during Holy Week, particularly on Maundy Thursday and GoodFriday. It was during this period of the liturgical year that the bells were sent to Rome to be



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blessed by the Pope. During the lewish holiday of Purim, ratchets stillage used by the children of the congregation during the reading of the book of Esther.

The use of the ratchets as warning devices has a history which dates back several hundred years. In medieval Europe, ratchets were sounded by the pullers of carts containing the bodies of those dead from the Black Plague. When the ratchet was heard, people knew to shut their doors and windows to prevent the spreading of the disease. Another use of ratchets as warning devices existed during the nineteenth century. Before the invention of radar, sailing ships would sound ratchet when in fogbound weather, and in so doing, let other ships in the area determine their approximate position and distance. Ratchets also were used by watchmen during the first World War in Europe as gas warning devices.11

Children have **a** fascination for smaller versions of ratchets, used worldwide as toysgames, or party favors. Because of their volume and ability to cut through the loudest settings, ratchets also are used asporting events, such as football or soccer games, and as simple noisemakers to cheer on teams. In many parts of the world, ratchets are used to scare birds and animals awayfrom crops and villages.

"In the last thirty years, the role of percussion in the orchestra, like that of chamber music has completely changed; once percussion played an episodic part in music, now it is often an essential force."12 The use of raspers and ratchets in the repertoire of Western and music has had a curious life. The rasper would seem to follow the normal progression in that most percussion instruments are "...introduced into the orchestra on the basis of a certain instrument to be associated with a definite set of facts, often not even related to a musical aspect.**! Stravinsky calls to mind the sacrificial rituals in the Rite of Spring, and composers such as Milhaud brought the indigenous South American dance music into the classical setting. The Afro-Cuban and Latin rhythms were made even more popular in the late 1940's by Chano Pozo of the Dizzy Gillespieband 14 Dances such as the Rhumba, Mambo, Merengue, Cha-cha and more became crazes in North America. Composers influenced by jazz brought these dances and their characteristic instruments into the concert hall. Gangware states that these instruments' ... main purpose is to give authenticity to the performance of the music of these Latin American Countries."15 Latin American composers, going through periods of nationalism, would write for the instruments, styles, and forms which were native to their beno Luciano homeland. The ratchet, on the other hand, seems to go against Gangware's theory, for it has always been used in the orchestral setting as a sound effect. Used to imitate various sounds from gunfire to awkwardmovement, the ratchet has no cultural or nationalistic nature. Perhaps the reason for this lies in the basic noise-making applications it has assumed over the centuries.

It has been shown that raspers play highly varied roles in cultures around the world. In some cultures, the rasper is a very specialized instrument. The metal rasper peculiar to the Maninka people of Guinea, is used only to accompany the songs of the Jali, which were an elite caste of professional musicians who acted as advisors to the Emperor and chronicled the Maninka society. 16 In some cultures the rasper's use is widespread. For example, a similar type of metal rasper used in Mali can be played by any member of the tribe without restrictions while all other instruments of the group are subject to strict caste requirements. 17 In still other cultures, the rasper has come full circle. For instance, raspers are now used in modem rock bands and high life groups in Upper Volta which now look toward Cuba for musical inspiration. It might be remembered that Latin America, most importantly Cuba, received its musical heritage from the African nations.

In terms of Western art music, the rasper has now lost most of its indigenous cultural associations and is looked upon by contemporary composers as simply another sound-generating device. Just as the bass drum, triangle, and cymbals were first associated with Turkish music, and later lost this cultural connection, raspers too have followed the same path. .

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His last book. The Complete Electronic Drummer, bas recently been published by Modem Drummer Publications, and The Last MIDI Book, was published by Alexander Publications in March, 1988. Weinberg has published articles in several journals including Modem Drummer, Percussive Notes, Percussive Notes Research Edition, The Instrumentalist and Rbythm. He has compositions published by Southern Music Company. Also, be was a guest clinician at the 1988 Percussive Arts Society International Convention in San Antonio, Texas.

A Selected Listing of Works Using Raspers and Ratchets

RASPERS

Clementi, Aldo Circles Informel No. 1 Birger-Blombahl Copland, Aaron Play for Eight Billy the Kid Music For a Great City Carter, Elliott Appalachian Spring Double Concerto Chávez, Carlos El Salón México Sinfonia India Xochipilli Macuibrochiil

Donatoni, Franco For Grilly Puppenspiel

Gould, Morton Latin American Symphonette

Guarnieri, Camargo Flor de Tremembé

Janácek, Leos Out of the Death House

Kekemen, Milko Equilibres

Kotonski, Włodzimierz Musique en Relief

Lambert, Constant Rio Grande

McDonald, Harl Rhumba Symphony

Manino, F. Mario e il Mago Matsudaira, Yoriaki

Figures Sonores Mignone, Francisco Batucasé Milhaud, Darius Suadades do Brazil Le Boeuf Sur le Toit

Orff, Carl Weibnachtsspiel Oedipus Promesbeus

Revueltas, Silvestre Sensamaya

Sanjuan, Pedro Liturgia Negra

Stockhausen, Karlheinz Kontakte Zyklus

Stravinsky, Igor Le Sacre de Printemts

Varèse, Edgard Ionisation

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RATCHETS

Beethoven, Ludwig von Wellingtons Stieg

Blitzstein, Marc Airborne Symphony

Copland, Aaron Symphony No. 2

Falla, Manuel de El Ratable de Maese Pedro

Gould, Morton Philharmonic Waltzes

Havergal, Brian Second Symphony

Ibert, Jacques Suite Symphonique

Jacobi, Frederick Music Hall Overture

Milhaud, Darius The Death of a Tyrant

Mozart, Leopold Toy Symphony

Mussorgsky, arr. Ravel Pictures at an Exhibition

Pizzetti, Ildebrando Introduzione all' "Agamonnome"

Respighi, Ottorino Pini di Roma

Rogers, Bernard Characters from Hans Christian Anderson

Rosenthal, Manuel Les Petits Métiers

Rossini, arr. Respighi La Boutique Fantasque

Satie, Eric Parade Siegmeister, Elie Sunday in Brooklyn

Schuman, William

Undertow

Skilton, Charles

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Drumset Literature

Total Drums I-IV Ernie do Forno \$19.95 5294 Dundas St. West #502, Islington

Ontario, Canada

Total Draws is the first of a planned two book series and is designed to help a beginning student learn basic rhythm notation and performance techniques for the drum set. There is enough written information that a student could likely learn to play without the aid of a teacher. Finding a good teacher is encouraged, however, and there are even evaluation sheets that a teacher can fill out when the student completes various levels.

The book concentrates on reading rhythms at first, using only the snare and bass drums. Later, the cymbal or hi-hat is included and exercises of one or more measures are the norm. There are also some drum solos and fills, and written examples of beats which were used on various recording videos. The recording examples are from such groups as Guns N' Roses, Def Leppard, Sly and the Family Stone, Rush, the Doobie Brothers and Earth. Wind and Fire. The last chapter in the book has several pages devoted to exercises and music based on 8th note triplets. This section continues to be in the Pop/Rock vein rather than an introduction to the jazz style of playing. The author says that a cassette will be forthcoming (for an additional five to eight dollars) in the near future, but was not available for review.

Total Drums offers a relatively large amount of information and presents it in a clear and concise manner. Students will likely find the one or two measure beats from the various albums very interesting and helpful. Although any beginning student could benefit from this book, the evaluation sheet at the end of the chapters makes it seem as though it was primarily intended for a younger age student.

Lynn Glassock

Rhythms and Accents For Drummers I-VI Gordy Knudston \$15.00

GK Music Publishing P.O. Box 5740 Minneapolis, MN 55407

This book contains the "complete listings of all the possible rhythms and accent patterns based on one bar of: 8th notes in 4/4 time, 16th notes in 2/4 time, 8th note triplets in 2/4 time, and 8th notes in 6/8 time." Each example is given in three different versions: 1) a continuous 8th or 16th note pattern with accentinuous 8th or 16th note pattern with accentinuous 3 a simple pattern of notes and rests and 3) a "more complex" pattern which uses different note values. Depending on how you interpret the information, there are 8, 16, or 24 different patterns per page.

Virtually the first thing anyone will notice about this book is the unusual way it is put together. The exercise pages are cut down the middle so that patterns on the left side of the page can be combined with different patterns that occur in the right side of the page (or vice-versa), somewhere earlier or later in the book. This allows for thousands of possible combinations without the necessity of having each variation on a separate page. The book also has two identical "front covers" which present the 8th and triplet sections in one direction and the 6/8 and 16th note sections in the other. The manuscript is printed on card stock paper; so, even though the book is fairly thick and has divided pages, it is relatively sturdy.

There are many ways in which this material could be used, and it is left up to the imagination and creativity of the student or teacher to discover which ways would be appropriate for their situation. Because there are so many possible combinations of pages (and therefore rhythms), it would take a very long time before anyone would ever play every variation. In fact, playing systematically throughout the entire book would probably appeal to only a small percentage of students. It would likely be much more enjoyable and beneficial to randomly mix and match pages so that enhancement of sight-reading rhythms is the goal rather than just playing through a certain number of pages.

Rhythms and Accents has an interesting format and provides a good, open-ended source for rhythmic reading.

-Lynn Glassock

Mastering the Drumset III-IV Chuck Kerrigan \$14.95 Centerstream Publications

P.O.Box 5450 Fullerton, CA 92635

Mastering rbe Drum Set is an impressive 183 page book on four-limb coordination. It is divided into three large sections- eighth notes, triplets and sixteenth notes, with a considerably larger number of pages devoted to Section III. Its multipurpose goals are: improved reading ability, greater facility for drum chart interpretation, a much improved feeling for syncopations and rhythmic subdivisions, a better "ear" for different rhythms and a greatly expanded vocabulary of ways to apply these rhythms to the drum set, greatly improved control of all four limbs, etc., etc."

The core of each section is eight pages of single line syncopated rhythms. These rhythms are to be played in various ways which are described in the pages preceding each syncopation section. The exercises cover the time signatures of 4/4, 3/4 and 5/4.

The instructions on how to play each exercise are clear, but there will be a certain amount of time required for orientation. Once the student understands the system, there should be no problem in determining what to practice.

This is a book for developing coordination and the ability to read and play syncopated rhythms in a variety of ways. It does not have a series of beats or "grooves" that might be used in a performance situation. Most of the exercises will seem to be just that – exercise. But, with practice, these exercises could greatly enhance one's ability to play and be creative. It is best suited for the intermediate to advanced student who enjoys a systematic and thorough approach to four-limb coordination.

Lynn Glassock

Difficulty Rating Scale:

I-II Elementary
III-IV Intermediate
V-VI Advanced
VI+ Difficult

Binary Rhythms for Drums

Paul Ramirez

Alphonse Leduc (Paris) (1989)

This book includes 27 pages of two-measure exercises for drumset using various hand/feet/instrument combinations. Tempos (from 40 to 80 MM), stickings and accents are to be carefully followed. The author states that each exercise should be played continuously for at least 3 minutes! The 86 exercises for hands alone would also be good for non-drumset players to develop coordinated-independence for multipercussion work.

Suitable for any level drumset player with basic reading and technical abilities.

- John Baldwin

Binary Rhythms, Vol. 1

Jacques-Francois Juskowiak & Dominique Marseille

Alphonse Leduc (Paris) (1989)

The 16 pieces for drumset in this first volume are ranked easy (5), fairly easy (2), fairly difficult (4) and difficult (5). Three have accompanying bass parts (which are included), and one has an accompanying drum machine part (rhythms written out). The fully-notated solos use at least 17 symbols for the various sounds, including a second bass drum in one piece, a Chinese cymbal and a cowbell. Not only can the pieces be studied/learned/performed as complete solos, they can also be broken down into individual measures and/or groups of measures that can be incorporated into the drummer's original solos. Various drummers' styles are included, e.g., Steve Gadd, Jeff Porcaro and Carlos Vega.

Suitable for progressive study as well as recital/festival performance where appropriate. Recommended.

- John Baldwin

Drum Sessions, Book 1 I-III

Peter O'Gorman \$14.95 Neil A. Kjos Music Company 4382 Jutland Drive San Diego, California

With so many drum set methods available today, it is increasingly difficult for a publication to distinguish itself from the other offerings. Part of the uniqueness of Drum Sessions is its overall look. Some drum set methods give the impression that they were written quickly and published very cheaply. This is not so with Drum Sessions. There has been an obvious attempt to make this publication visually attractive. What really is important, of course, is the method itself. Is it logical? Is it enjoyable enough so that a student will want to continue its study? Is it educationally sound? In this case, there was as much emphasis placed on the pedagogic content as there was on the packaging. If someone doesn't like its presentation, it will not be because they felt that the author or publisher tried to just throw something together.

The first eight pages give information about the drums, the grip (both match and traditional), basic motion, and music notation. (This section is more detailed and exacting in its information than virtually any other book on the market.) The next 17 pages are exercises and musical examples for the hands, i.e. snare, cymbals and toms. The bass drum starts to be included on page 26 and is almost present for the rest of the book. Near the end, the method of playing the hi-hat with the foot is presented. The last page deals with the tuning of the drums.

Included with the book is a studio quality audio cassette tape. It contains numerous short selections called "Mini Jams" and five longer pieces called "Sessions". The selections are recorded twice – the first time with the drums and the second time without. The drum part of each piece is notated in the book and includes patterns that were previously in coordination exercises.

Drum Sessions should be a very enjoyable and beneficial method for the younger beginning student. Peter O'Gorman and the publisher should be commended for their dedication to quality. A highly recommended book.

-Lynn Glassock

Keyboard Percussion Literature

Charleston Capers and Keep Movin'

George Hamilton Green arr. Bob Becker Keyboard Percussion Publications by Marimba Productions, Inc. P.O. Box 467 Asbury Park, NJ 07712

Charleston Capers and Keep Moutn' are two previously unpublished pieces of George Hamilton Green which have been arranged for xylophone solo with marimba accompaniment (four players). Charleston Capers is an up-tempo piece which features the characteristic Charleston rhythm while Keep Moutn' is an example of a medium "fox-trot." The overall style is, of course, that which Mr. Becker and Nexus have made so popular over the last two decades.

The accompaniments can be played on two or four marimbas (with slightly altered parts for the two marimba version); and, if available, a four-and-one-half octave (low F) marimba is preferable for player four.

Included with the score and parts is a sheet giving performance notes on the instrumentation, how to play the rolls, mallet selection, an optional percussion accompaniment, and some very interesting information on the composition itself. This sheet will be very helpful to ensembles that have not played a large number of pieces in this style. Charleston Capers and Keep Movin' should be very popular additions to the keyboard literature.

-Lynn Glassock

Multiple Percussion Literature

Supplice II

Gerard Berlioz \$4.25 Gerard Billaudot, Editeur 14, rue de l'Echiquier 75010 Paris Theodore Presser Company

Supplice is a beginning multiple percussion solo with piano accompaniment. It is 39 measures in length and has a performance time of 2°15°. The required instrumentation consists of snare drum, low tom, triangle and suspended cymbal.

Rhythm and technical demands are very basic, allowing the student to concentrate on the frequently changing dynamics. The piano accompaniment is simple enough to be performed by virtually any percussion teacher who reads melodic notation. It is also written in such a way that will allow the teacher to listen carefully to the percussion part.

Supplice is not "flashy", but it is the type of piece that offers the student a valuable musical experience at a very early level.

- Lynn Glassock

Methods Literature

La Classe De Batterie IV-VI

Emmanuel Boursault and Guy Lefevre Alphonse Leduc 175 rue Saint Honore 75040 Paris cedex 01

This is the third in a series of books dealing with various rhythms and exercises for drums. Most of the 63 pages are written for drum set but there are some single line exercises(for snare drum) and two line exercises (for snare and bass or snare and hi-hat) scattered periodically throughout the book.

The first half of the book deals with the compound time signature of 12/8, 9/8 and 6/8, and the 4/4 meter with the beats divided into 8th note triplets. The second half uses these same time signatures but also includes other common meters and often divides the beat into equal two and four parts. The system of open and close circles is occasionally given for stickings although there is no explanation for this given in the beginning of the book.

The exercises range from one measure to an entire page in length and cover many difficult aspects of dramming including rock style beats, ja22 and rock independence, fills and solo material (although not specified as such), and written out versions of what might be played while reading a drum chart. There is also a short section on Afro-Cuban rhythms.

Due to the variety of areas covered, this could be a general all-purpose dram set book for the intermediate to the advanced player. While some students may not find all sections directly applicable to their current situation, virtually everyone should br able to use portions of this publication to help further their musical goals.

-Lynn Glassock

FEET FIRST

Frank Bellucci Drum Tracks, Inc. 218 N. Virginia Ave. N. Massapequa, NY 11758

Feet First is a type of "stick control" method for the feet. After a 14 page introduction/instruction section, the book begins with some warm-up exercises and then moves on to single stroke patterns, double stroke patterns, paradidelle patterns, mixed patterns (a combination of the above), simultaneous patterns (where the bass drum and the hi-hat can both have notes at the same time) non-continuous sixteenth note patterns, groove patterns, and a few patterns at the end involve the bands. The exercises are one and two measures in length and are supplemented by 16 measure solos.

There is a great deal of emphasis placed on the "splash" technique for the hi-hat. A section of the introduction explains how this is played, whether it is found singularly or in succession. While this is not a new technique, it may be unknown or seldom used by many performers.

This publication was not intended to be a definitive book on foot control. It does not attempt to give every possible variation of each pattern, nor does it contain any triplet or swing style exercises. It is a specialty book, even more so than the title might suggest. Students wanting to master the "splash" technique would be hard pressed to find a more helpful publication; and for those students, this book is highly recommended.

- Lynn Glassock

19 Musical Studies For Vibraphone I-V

Emmanuel Sejourne
Alphonse Leduc
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75040 Paris cedex 01

This is a collection of short pieces that range from 30 seconds to 2 1/2 minutes in length. They cover a wide variety of styles which are described as "jazz, swing, funk, blues, contemporary music, neo-classical and imitations of Erik Satic and Johann Sebastian Bach." Four of the nineteen pieces are duos with piano and there is a separate booklet included that

contains just the pieces with piano. All of the compositions are intended to be performed while holding four mallets although some of the earlier ones could be played with two.

The first two studies are so simple that they could be used for the very first lesson on keyboard percussion. They progress in such a way that it would likely take a true beginner several semesters to successfully play the last few solos. Stickings are included on the first three pieces and numbers two through seven have pedal indications. There is a good mixture of single line, melody with harmony and choral styles of writing. As with any collection, certain solos will likely be more appealing to some students than others.

This book has some very attractive features and anyone looking for a collection of short pieces for vibraphone should definitely consider this publication.

- Lynn Glassock

Brazilian Rhythms

Nene \$12.50 Editions Aug. Zurfluh (Paris)/Theodore Presser (1989)

This detailed, 20-page text presents "a compilation of original Brazilian rhythms selected from a varied pool of the most representative ones (Maracatu, Samba, Baiao, Freto, etc.) written in two forms: one for several percussion instruments, and another faithfully adapted for drums alone." The "several percussion instruments" referred to include caxixi, ganzá, agogô, cuica, triângulo, reco-reco. pandeiro, zambumba, tamborim, frigideira, apito, caixa, surdo, contra-surdo and repinique. Along with the rhythms and their variations, the author includes historical, musical and performance information. All-in-all, the text is very clear and straightforward in style. Recommended.

- John Baldwin

The Complete Works of William G. Street Edited by John Beck & Harrison Powley \$12.95

Eastman School of Music/Carl Fischer (1990)

This collection of 39 studies, solos and duess for snare drum and timpani were written by William Street for use by his students at Eastman. Many of the snare drum studies are rather "Stone-like" in their approach to accent and/or sticking combinations. While the majority of materials seems to be based on a concert-style approach, there are some studies and especially dues that are rudimental in nature. The etudes address problems such as tempo, dynamics, dotted rhythms, sticking/accent combinations, odd rhythmic groupings, flams/rolls, etc.

Suitable for the intermediate to advanced snare drummer who is willing to work with concentration, perseverance and diligence. Highly recommended.

- John Baldwin

Snare Drum Literature

Alfred's Beginning Snare Drum Ducts II-III

Sandy Feldstein & Dave Black \$5.95 book/ \$7.95 cassette/ \$12.95 both Alfred Publishing Company Inc. (1990)

These 15 duets include single strokes, rim clicks, flams, ruffs, and rolls (5,9,13 and 17). Meters used include 2/4, 3/4, 4/4, ¢ and 6/8. Tempo and dynamic markings are clear and easily read. Side I of the tape contains the First Part and Side II contains the Second Part, thus the student can play either part along with the recording.

Although the duets are designed to follow specific pages and exercises in Alfred's Drum Method Book I, they are certainly autiable for use with any method as long as the student has the requisite understanding and skill. The duets would also be autiable for elementary/junior high festival use. Recommended.

- John Baldwin

Kyle and Ricky Jive V

James Jurrens \$2.50 (score) Southern Music Co. (#ST-830) (1990)

This easy 45-measure snare drum duet could be viewed from either the rudimental or concert-style side. Very few solls are used -- none shorter than a full beat (in 4/4 and 2/4). Only Part I has any flams (six). Both parts have groups of four sixteenths which could be viewed as paradiddles. Part I seems to dominate slightly most of the time. Dynamics and accents are easy to read.

Suitable for an elementary or beginning junior high festival piece.

- John Baldwin

Timpani Literature

Concerto For Timpani & Orchestra VI Marshall Griffith price not given Marshall Griffith The Cleveland Institute of Music 11021 East Blvd. Cleveland, Ohio 44106

CONCERTO is a one movement work for 5 timpani which is dedicated to Cloyd Duff, former timpanist with the Cleveland Orchestra. It opens with a slow introduction of pedal C's which is reminiscent of the opening of the Brahms Symphony No. 1. This leads to a fast rhythmic ostinato, a slow lyrical section with solo violin and timpani, which then transforms to the Cadenza. Next comes a return to the beginning, but in a higher range. The Concerto ends with a fanfare exchange between timpani and orchestra. The Concerto is approximately seven minutes in length.

The work is quite tonal and has interesting rhythmic content and the orchestration covers numerous colors. As mentioned above, the work requires 5 drums including a piccolo timpani which goes to a high B in the Cadenza. The work is written in the higher ranges of the drums which helps with the clarity and projection over the orchestra. There are no mallet or pedal indications in the score, but from the tape that was submitted there is ample pitch and mallet variety to provide audience appeal. Highly recommend.

- George Frock

THE CUMBERLAND RECITAL STUDIES IV-V

Alan Cumberland price not given Alan Cumberland P.O. Box 28 North Quay Qld. 4002 Australia

This is a comprehensive collection of 22 graduated solos for 2,3,4 and 5 timpani. Each solo includes tuning changes, and each has numerous dynamic changes and challenging rhythmic passages. The solos cover most meters and include changing meeers as well. The pitch changes are not indicated, and in most of the solos the mallet selection is left to the discretion of the player. The print is very clear, but there are numerous page turn problems that must be handled.

This collection is an excellent source for the college studio, and all of the solos are sufficiently interesting to be included in degree recitals. Highly recommended.

George Frock

Percussion Ensemble Literature

Aux Quatre Coins/Champetre I

George Paczynski & Evelyne Stroh \$5.00 each (score and parts) Editions Aug. Zurfluh (Paris)/Theodore Presser (1989)

These two short works for triangle, tambourine, snare drum, piano and triangle, tambourine, castanets and piano can be played by one or three young percussionists. The two versions are slightly different in their scoring. (And the piano part is more difficult than the percussion parts.) Dynamics are clearly marked in the score and parts. No implement indications are included. Suitable for elementary study or festival pieces.

- John Baldwin

KALEI for TRIOS PERCUSSIONISTS V-VI

Jacques Delectuse price not given Alphonse Leduc Editions musicales 175 rue Saint Honore 75040 Paris cedex 01

This is an excellent setting for three experienced players, each using a multiple set up of several instruments. Notation includes both free and metered passages, and the parts are coordinated in a complex manner. Instrumentation of this 18 minute work includes vibes, marimba, 6 timpani and numerous drums, cymbals and accessories which include cowbells, wind-chimes, tam-tams, tambourine and crotales. Each player has his own part, but each of these has a mini score or clue line to help with preparation and performance.

The editor has taken great care in preparing the parts. The print is very clear, and there are rests at each page turn. This is a must for the advanced percussion chamber group. Highly recommended.

- George Frock

ROYAL FIREWORKS SUITE IV-V

G. F. Handel, arr. Steve Grimo \$12 Southern Music Co. San Antonio, Tx.

This three movement ensemble, La ReJouissance, Bouree and Minuet is scored for bells, xylophone and marimba. The preface at the beginning suggests that the mallet parts can be doubled to perform a mallet choir. The print is very clear, and the editor has taken care to avoid page turns. The marimba, which is part three, is written in treble clef but is marked 8va basso, thus requiring a concert grand marimba with a low A. The optional percussion parts are stylistically fitting for the period. This should be a nice addition for the mallet ensemble, and the 16th note passages will provide challenge.

- George Frock

THREEZ I

Thomas A. Brown \$6.00 Kendor P. O. Box 278 Delevan, NY 14042

THREEZ is an appropriate title for this easy trio in 3/4 time. The instrumentation includes snare drum and woodblock, tom tom or tambourine and base drum and/or suspended cymbal. The publisher submits a grading of 2, but this may be too high because the technical demands do not go beyond single strokes or taps. There are numerous dynamic changes and changes of color such as rim-shots and playing on the rims. This should be a fun

ensemble for the beginning ensemble.

- George Frock

Instructional Videos

Greg Bissonette Private Lesson I-VI

Greg Bissonette \$39.95 DCI Music Video 541 Avenue of the Americas New York, NY 10011

After a brief introduction, Mr. Bissonette plays a lengthy solo which demonstrates a variety of styles and time feels. He then talks about the importance of regularly playing with a drum machine or click track and tape recording your playing. Other topics include the grip, various rudiments, having a repetoire of "licks" that you copy from other players, and the importance of reading. Some of the other playing demonstrations (which often are performed with sequenced keyboard groove) deal with Latin and jazz styles, playing with brushes, double bass drums, and playing with a displacement of the time feel. Each topic is adequately discussed before it is performed which is especially helpful due to the fact that some examples are only played at a fast tempo. The overall manner of discussion is informal and enthusiastic. As would be expected, the playing is very impressive and well recorded.

There is a great deal that can be learned from video, which is true of all tapes which feature this level of performer. The cassette case states that the level is from "beginner to pro" and, while this is most certainly correct, it would likely be the most helpful to the serious intermediate student.

- Lynn Glassock

Peter Erskine Timekeeping 2

Peter Erskine \$39.95 DCI Music Video \$41 Avenue of the Americas New York, NY 10011

The subtitle for this tape is "Afro-Caribbean, Brazilian and Funk" and although the even eighth note styles are emphasized, the jazz influence is certainly not discarded. (Placing labels on different styles of music is something we all do for communicative convenience. Mr. Erskine states that "this music is all related, and all part of the same thing" and it is easy to hear this relationship he refers to in his playing.) Mr. Erskine is again accompanied by John Abbercrombie and Marc Johnson who are invaluable in helping convey some musical concepts that are presented on the tape.

As with jazz, Mr. Erskine's approach to the various straight eighth and sixteenth note

styles is controlled improvisation - keeping the "spirit" of the basic pattern or style while still being creative. He also shows how some elements of one style might be effective in a different context, once again acknowledging the relationship that can exist between styles. Some of the other practical playing tips deal with feeling the smallest common denominator of the pattern, knowing when to play a simple pattern rather than a more complex one, and listening to the bass player. Two of the non-Latin pieces are "Labor Day" (a jazz piece that demonstrates three different approaches to the same song) and "In Walked Maya* which is a relatively free composition that emphasizes "motion, velocity and texture" rather than a steady pulse.

Included with the tape is a thirty page booklet containing some written information plus musical examples of the basic patterns which are demonstrated. (A very helpful and time saving conclusion.)

Mr. Erskine conveys his information in a concise and articulate manner. As usual, his playing is inspiring without being gratuitous or flashy. Students looking for this type of video will certainly not be disappointed.

- Lynn Glassock

"The Fantastic World of Frame Drums" by

Glen Velez

Glen Velez embodies the true spirit Of percussion. This video is a must for every serious percussionist. -MICKEY HART*

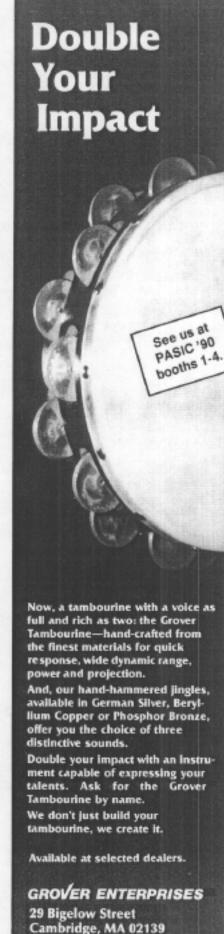
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Chapter News and Membership News

ONTARIO, CANADA Professional Percussionists

Following their exceptionally well-received concert in Glassboro, New Jersey and residency in Millersville, Pennsylvania, NEXUS returned home to Toronto to appear on a stellar program for the benefit of the York Centre for Refugee Studies at York University. Nexus member Bob Becker has just finished a residency at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln in the "Arts Are Basic!" pilot program for Arts in Education at the Lied Center, a forerunner for Nexus' visit there next January. Nexus has also been working towards the new Takemitsu concerto commissioned for Nexus and the Boston Symphony by Carnegie Hall to be premiered this fall. In particular Robin Engelman has been seeking two octave of Boo-bams, not an easy task! The group is looking for a new studio, too, as their rehearsal space of many years is now no longer

ARKANSAS Chapter News

James A. Strain presented a concert percussion clinic and recital for students and directors in the Hot Springs area hosted by the Lakeside High School Music Department. While in Arkansas, he served as an adjudicator for the Arkansas State University's Annual Percussion Ensemble Festival, hosted by Sherri Dees. After the festival he presented clinics on ensemble performance and interpretation, performing as a section percussionist, and performing a multipercussion solo. In April, he also appeared as guest xylophone soloist with the Memphis (Tennessee) State University Percussion Ensemble (under the direction of Frank Shaffer, Jr.) for the Music Teachers National Association's Annual Conference in Little Rock. While in Memphis, he performed at MSU and presented a clinic on the history of xylophone literature from 1860 to 1950 and demonstrated beginning improvisational styles for music of this period.

CALIFORNIA Chapter News

A master workshop for intermediate/advanced mallet students was presented by Julie Spencer for the Southern California PAS Chapter at California State University Northridge in late July.

COLORADO Chapter News

James A. Strain has been appointed Assistant Professor of Percussion and Theory at Fort Lewis College in Durango. He will also serve as timpanist and principal percussionist for the San Juan Symptony. During the 1988-89 academic year, Strain was in residence at the Eastman School of Music pursuing his Doctorate of Musical Arts in percussion performance and literature.

The Colorado 1990 Day of Percussion was hosted by Terry Smith at the University of Colorado College of Music in Boulder in mid-March. Clinics were presented by Gary Barrier (chord voicings for jazz vibes) and Don Prorak (steel drams and MIDD. The following percussion ensembles were featured in performance: Air Academy High School (Mike Sherpa, director), Monteguma-Corteg High School (Rodney Ritthaller, director) Metropolitan State College (Mark Foster, director), and the University of Colorado at Boulder (Terry Smith, director). A percussion chamber music recital featured Mike Nevin and Gray Barrier playing vibes, marimba, and KAT mallet controller, and percussionist Terry Vermillion performing with tubist Gary Brattin. John Aldridge displayed his extensive collection of fine old snare drums, and John Galm exhibited his 1920's drumset and his Ghanian drums. Approximately 75 people were in attendance at the day's events.

IDAHO Chapter News

First Lieutenant Steven Grimo and Chief Master Sergeant Randall Eyles of The United States Air Force Band, Washington, D.C., conducted percussion clinics, classes and sessions with students at the University of Idaho in Moscow in January. The two percussionist were a part of the University's 13th Annual Bandfest. The event included performances by bands from Hermiston High School (Oregon), La Grande High School (Oregon), Kamiakin High School (Kennewick, Washington), Woodinville High School (Seattle, Washington), Mead High School and University High School (Spokane, Washington), Central Valley High School (Veradale, Washington) and Wenatchee High School (Washington). Each band's performance was critiqued by Grimo. The University of Idaho Wind Ensemble performed a concert which included a performance by Eyles of Concertino for Marimba. During their four-day stay, Eyles

Edited by John Baldwin

and Grimo gave six clinics, five lessons, four rehearsals and two concerts. Topics covered included: Criteria for Self-Evaluation, Considerations for Score Study, Credentials for the Graduate, Control and Effective Discipline, Programming - Repertoire vs. Literature, The Principal Percussionist - Band Director's Best Friend, Cymbals, Tambourine, Triangle and Castanets, Composing and Arranging for Percussion, Ragitime and Novelty Xylophone Performance and The Percussionist's Pencil.

MASSACHUSETTS Chapter News

Berklee College of Music Percussion Instructor Victor Mendoza was invited to present percussion master classes at the Royal College of Music, Trinity College, the Royal Academy of Music and Guildhauld in England this summer. This was Mendoza's second trip to England where his classes were enthusiastieally received last year. In addition to his work in the classroom, Mendoza appeared onstage at the Bass Clef and the Bull's Head, two of London's most esteemed jazz venues. The Mexican-born vibe/marimba player and noted Latin-Jazz specialist is a performer with widespread international appeal. A partial roster of artists with whom he has performed includes guitarist Egberto Gismonti, pianist Michel Camilo, trumpeter Claudio Roditi, and Saxophonist Paquito D'Rivera. The Popular, Japanese, Chapman Stick player Katsu spotlights Mendoza's mallet work on his latest album recorded for the King Records label of Japan. Mendoza has recorded two albums of his own compositions with the Victor Mendoza Latin azz Quintet. His second album, If Only You Knew, featuring Paquito D'Rivera and Claudio Roditi, will be released by the European Bellaphon/Optimism label. Earlier this spring Vic Firth Incorporated began marketing a vibe mallet designed by Mendoza for the Firth line of signature mallets. Mendoza pursued jazz. studies at Berklee College of Music and currently serves as an instructor of Vibe and Latinjazz ensembles in Berklee's Performance De-

On Wednesday, March 21, over 90 students from the Berklee School of Music visited the factory of the Avedis Zildjian Company, and were then treated to a clinic by Louie Bellson and Zack Danziger. This second visit hosted by the Zildjian Company was organized by Berklee's Percussion Department and the group was accompanied by Dean Anderson, Chairman of the Percussion Department. The students were greeted by Armand Zildjian, after which they began an extensive tour of

Zildjian's facilities. They were shown all aspects of the process from the artisan nature of the hand-hammering used in making the "K. Zildjian" range to the sophistication of the computer hammer that shapes the sound of the "Z Series." The tour was followed by a luncheon and an afternoon clinic performance. During the afternoon clinic, Bellson was honored by Armand Zildjian and the Zildjian Company with a special award celebrating his over forty-year relationship with the company.

MICHIGAN Professional Percussionists

Yamaha Corporation of American, Band and Orchestral Division, has announced two key management promotions in its Marketing Department. Christie Cierlak was promoted from Percussion Product Specialist to Market Development Manager - Accessories. David Via was promoted from Percussion Product Specialist to Market Development Manager - Percussion. Cierlak is responsible for marketing all of Yamaha's growing lines of wind, percussion and orchestral string accessories. Via is responsible for overseeing the marketing of Yamaha's extensive lines of concert, marching and student percussion as well as percussion warranty control.

NEVADA Professional Percussionist

The Las Vegas Marimba Quartet, in conjunction with the Reed Whipple Cultural Center, Charleston Heights Arts Center, and a generous grant from the State of Nevada, produced a concert series which spanned March 1989 to July 1989 with the final concert being a Children's Concert Series combining both the Las Vegas Marimba Quartet and the Las Vegas Percussion Quartet programs. This was presented on consecutive Saturday afternoons to audiences consisting of children and adults alike. The concert was such a success, it has been scheduled for the 1990 season and a possible tour of Southern and Central Nevada. The Fall of 1989 had the Marimba Quartet continuing their own Kiddle Concert Series and returning to the Fashion Show Mall for National Hispanic week and later for five weeks from Thanksgiving to Christmas playing custom arrangements of carols as well as those of Tom Brown and Donald Miller. The highlight of the Christmas season for the LVMQ was an invitation by the executive producers of the NBC television show "CHEERS" to perform at the annual Christmas party. LVMQ traveled to Burbank, California, to the back lot of Paramount Studios where the set of "CHEERS" is located. An evening of entertainment was provided by LVMQ for the cast and crew of "CHEERS" along with other notable Hollywood stars. The program for the evening was to provide Christmas music during dinner and sing-along carols after dinner for the children, with Kirstie Alley directing.

The LVMQ began 1990 by traveling to Arizona to perform at Yavapai College in Prescott, Arizona. The concert was extremely well attended and future plans for an extensive tour of the Southwestern United States are currently underway. In February, the LVMQ was honored by a request from the Nevada State Council on the Arts to perform at the Governor's Arts Awards Banquet held at the Alexis Park Resort in Las Vegas. Prominent members of the arts community as well as Governor Bob Miller and members of his staff were in attendance. The LVMQ performed light favorites and music of Mexico and Guatemala as the guests arrived.

In other professional news, on Feb. 18, Jack Cenna appeared with the Serenata Chamber Orchestra under the direction of Maestro Rodolfo Fernandez in a performance of Lionel Nowak's Concerto for Six Timpani and Orchestra at the Flamingo Library Auditorium, which was simulcast live by KNPR to all of Las Vegas. Cenna is the founder of the LMQV and principal percussionist of the Las Vegas Symphony Orchestra.

NEW JERSEY Chapter News

Modern Drummer, a worldwide drumming magazine, has announced that Joe Morello and Jonathan Mover will highlight Festival Weekend 90. The event will be held for the fourth consecutive year on Saturday and Sunday, September 8-9 at the Memorial Auditorium at Montclair State College in Upper Montclair, New Jersey. Conceived in 1987, the Festival is a non-competitive way of drawing the drumming community together. Using a clinic/concert format in the intimate confines. of the Memorial Auditorium allows audience members to view, listen to, learn fro", and interact with eight different performers over the two-day period Besides Morello and Mover, there will be three additional worldclass drummers each day, performing their own unique brands of drumming/percussion. The Festival Weekend '90 will begin each day at 1:00 PM. Tickets may be ordered in advance via order forms available in the July, August and September issues of Modern Drammer: Interested parties may also order tickets by contacting the magazine offices: 201-239-4140. As a" aid to long-distance travelers, discount fares have bee" made available through Continental Airlines. For reservations, call Continental at 1-800-468-7022 (and give group I.D. # EZ9P47), For hotel accommodations at discount rates, contact MD's official travel agency, Travel Ventures, at 201/239-8900 (collect)

NEW MEXICO Chapter News

Craig C. Edwards has accepted the graduate

assistantship at the University of New Mexico, where he will study with Chris Shukis. Craig received his B.A. degree in percussion at Eastern Illinois University where he studied with Professor Johnny Lee Lane.

TENNESSEE Chapter News

The Lindenwood Studio of Percussion, under the direction of Stan Head, presented a" orchestral percussion clinic on Saturday, May 26, at the Lindenwood Christian Church. The featured clinician was Christopher Devincy, percussionist with the New Orleans Philharmonic. In his presentation, Chris covered snare drum, cymbals, tambourine, xylophone and bells. The use of a slide projector, tape and a folder of the excerpts used for all present made for a wonderful learning experience.

The Lindenwood Studio of Percussion, under the direction of Stan Head, presented its Spring Concert in the sanctuary of the Lindenwood Christian Church. Selections by Johannes Brahms, Warren Bersson, Jo" Dutton and Vic Firth were performed. The featured work on the program was Toccatas by Carlos Chavez.

TEXAS Chapter News

Marvin Sparks, Jr. has accepted the position of Director of Percussion Studies at the University of Houston. He will teach applied percussion, direct all percussion groups and teach the percussion methods class. Marvin received his B.M. in performance at the University of Illinois where he studied with Thomas Siwe. He recently received his Masters in performance at Eastern Illinois University, studying with Professor Johnny Lee Lane. Marvin is also on the staff with the United States Percussion Camp at Eastern each summer.

WEST VIRGINIA Chapter News

The first Southern West Virginia Day of Percussion was held recently at Concord College in Athens. Jim Rupp presented a drumset clinic on performance styles, and appeared as featured soloist on the evening concert with the Concord College Jazz Percussion Ensemble under the direction of Doug Overmier. Other ensembles appearing on the evening performance were Ohio University (Guy Remonko, director), West Virginia state College, West Virginia Tech (Pat McCoy, director) and the Preparatory Division Percussion Ensemble (Joe Earls, director). Door prizes and materials were furnished by Yamaha, Zildjian, Pro Mark, Remo and Selmer/Ludwig. Programs and other materials are available by contacting Doug Overmier, College Box 22, Concord College, Athens, West Virginia, 24712

PASIC '90 Final Information

If you have not yet registered for PASIC '90 you have missed the deadline. Please plan to register in Philadelphia. Fees for PASIC '90 are as follows:

Registration \$50 One Day Registration \$20 Family Member Attending \$20 Hall of Fame Banquet Ticket \$25

PASIC '90 T-Shirts will be on sale at the registration area.

If you are flying to PASIC '90 there are three convenient modes of transportation to the Adam's Mark from the airport.

- 1) Rental Car
- 2) Taxi (approx \$25-30 one way)
- Limelight Limo Service (\$7 one way when you identify yourself as a PASIC attendee at the Limelight counter near baggage claim.)

If you are driving to Philadelphia you may wish to become familiar with the map below. The Adam's Mark is located 7 miles from Center City and 12 miles from the airport via the Schuylkill Expressway (I-76) to City Avenue Exit. The hotel is at the intersection of City Avenue and Monument Road.



PROGRAMS OF PAS MEMBERSHIP

Compiled by Wilber England

Member-readers of Percussive Arts Society are invited to submit printed programs of percussion performances for publication in Percussive Notes. Please be sure to include the publisher or source of each work and check to be certain that the program indicates the complete address and date of the performance. Due to space limitations, please do not submit studio or class performances. Please mail all entries to: Wilber England, Indiana University, 2116 Wimbleton Lane, Bloomington. IN 47401.

ALABAMA

University of South Alabama

Senior Recital 5/17/90 Richard L. Byrd, Composer Percussion Ensemble, John J. Papastefan, Conductor Percussion Quintet No. 2 - Byrd - Manu.

Percussion Ensemble 5/25/90 John J. Papastefan, Director Cloveland - Brand - Brancra Zulu Welcome - Fink - Simrock Aspen - Brand - Brancra Contrarhythmic Ostinato - Iverson - MFP Alegse Muchacho - Abel - Ludwig Trinity I - LaRosa - MFP Blues and Calewalk - Missal - MFP Encore in Juzz - Firth - Fischer

CALIFORNIA

University of California, Los Angeles

Percussion Ensemble 3/5/90
Mitchell Peters, Director
Nancy Roth, Violin Soloist
Two Movement for Mallets II - Steinhort - OU Parc, Press
Concerto for Violin with Percussion Orchestra - Harrison Peters
Rainbows - Comez - Southern
Three Tangon - Criswold - Manu.
Doty Direction - Geen/Cahn - Cahn
Portico - Cauger - Gauger

CONNECTICUT

University of Connecticut

Faculty Showcase Concert 9/14/89 Resembly Small, Percussion The Carrival of the Animals - Saint-Saers - Manu.

Percussion Ensemble 11/15/89
Dr. Rischmary Small, Director
Stanica No. 5 - Rolden - Southern
October Mountain - Hovhaness - Peters
Toccata - Charec - Mills Music
Entertainer Rag - JophniMoore - Permus
Streams - Berson - MCA Music
Perspectives - Walner - Southern

Percussion Ensemble 4/11/50
Dr. Rosemary Small, Director
Six Reflections - Frank - Boosey & Hawkes
Knock on Wood - Blank - MFP
Eight Soles for Four Timpans - Carter - AMP
Japanese impressions - Cirone - Cirone
Pulse - Cowell - MFP
Recitative - Levitan - Studio 4
Concerto for Timpansi and Percussion Ensemble - Beck -

Senior Recital 5/4/90
Kristin Lee Dalley, Percussion
Machigals, Book I - Crumb - Manu.
Ombres de la Nuit - Horvit - Southern
Nyack - Friedman - Marimba Pred.
Carousel - Friedman and Samuels - Marimba Pred.
Prelude No. 3 - Bach - U. of Miami Press
Invention No. 1 - Bach - U. of Miami Press
Concerto for Timpani and Percussion - Beck - Kendor

Recital 5/11/90
Brian Woodruff, Percussion
Recitative - Levitan - Studio 4
Adventures for One - Stern - M/P
Nyack - Friedman - Marimba Prod.
Manch, Canaries - Carter - AMP
Down Under - Hubband - Mane,
Dedicated to You - Cahn/Chaplin - Manu,
Record-Me - Hierodetson - Manu,
This I Dig of You - Mobiley - Manu.
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FLORIDA

Barry University

Recital 4/19/90 Christopher Dobrowslaki, Percussion Allermande - Kust - Wolf-Mills Music Double Tom Tom Solo - Colidenberg - Chappell and Co. Suite for Flute and Jaze Piano - Bolling - Shatlinger Inter.

ILLINOIS

Eastern Illinois University

Senior Recital 3/12/90
Dean Klinker, Percussion
Two Movements for Marienba - Tanaka - Orgalou
Two Pieces for Four Timpuni - Carter - Assoc.
Six Allegro Duets for Percussion - Colignas - Lawson &
Gould
Buzzhald - Senz - CMP
Patitle for Insportance and Managerica - Chip

Partita for Unaccompanied Percussion - Cahn - Cahn Rhythms for a Latin Hart - Klinker - Manu.

Senior Recital 3/17/90
Christi Campbell, Percussion
Danny Boy - Wal, Prichtman - Gwyn Pub.
Crand Fantasy for Marimba - Heibbe - Studio 4
Three By Four the JL, Lane) - Heibber - Studio 4
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Becruze Veil's for Treesborre and Percussion - Larson - Mariu.
Rhythm Song - Smadbeck - CMP
Quintet for Clarinet and Strings, Op. 115 - Brahmy/
Campbell - Mariu.
Carlos You're Blowing My Mind - Wishful Thinking/
Campbell, Henrichs - Mariu.

Recital 4/6/90
Quint Campbott, Percussion
Jon Crabiel, Percussion
Manhatan Alter Dark - arr. Feldman - Gwyn
Three Episodes for Timperri - Beck - Meredith
French Sutie - Krait - WilM
Astall Dunce for Solo Marimba - Saout - Studio 4
Sonata for Three Unaccompanied Kestledrums - Jones Peters
Plano Music - Cowell - Manu.
Milchi - Alte - MPP
One Notch Higher - Molenhof - Kendor

Recital 4/8/90
Jay Majemik, Percussion
Kevin Hense, Percussion
Variations on the Westminster Clock Theme - Latimer
Latimer
Sea Refractions for Solo Marierba - Peters - Peters
Obscouns for Solo Percussion - Goldenberg - Chappell
Telbal Serenade for Solo Timpani - Peters - Peters
Vallow After the Rain - Peters - Peters
Profude from "English Salte" - Kraft - Award
Duo Militature - Tamper - AffP

Recital 4/6/99
Steve Banck, Percussion
Tory Grim, Percussion
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Statement for Timpant - Whaley - Kondor
Two Archaic Dances - Rassell - Boarne
English Suite for Solo Percussion - Kraft - Award
Normal for Solo Percussion - Cauger - Cauger
Sea Refractions for Solo Marimba - Peters - Peters
The Storm (Silonce to Golden) - Peters - Peters

Senior Recital 4/5/90
Craig C. Edwards, Percussion
Conversation - Miyoshi - JFC
Canadies - Carter - Asoc.
Sonatina for Vibraharp - Stirtz - CNP
Conceto, pour batterie et petit orchentre - Milhaud Universal
Saturday's Child - Molenhori - Kendor
Rainbow Ripples - Green/Eyles - Meradith

Graduate Recital 4/14/90 Scott Ney, Percussion Profudes for Marinsba - Helbe - Studio 4
Gambit for Solo Percussion and Tape - Duckworth - Media Press
Mourning Dove Sonnet for Vibraharp - Deane - CMP
Eight Pieces for Four Timpani - Carter - Assoc.
Cross - Corners - Green - Becker
Xylophonia - Green - Becker

Recital 4/21/99
Marvin Battle, Percussion
Kirk Rustman, Percussion
Kirk Rustman, Percussion
Sonuta for Timpani - Back - Boston
Third Handel Sonata - Handel/Musser/Campbell/Feldswin - Adler
Four Pieces for Solo Marimba - Elster - Marimba Prod.
English Suite for Solo Piccussion - Kraft - Assard
Six Unaccompanied Solos for Snare Drum - Colgrast Schirmer
Charle in C Major - Bach/Siwe - Manu.
Enade in B Major - Musser - Studio 4
Saturday's Child - Molerhof - Kendor

Percussion Encemble, Marimba Rag Bands I and II, Latin Percussion Group, Percussion Methods Ensemble 4/26/90 Johnny Lee Lane, Director Highlife - Faini - Belwin Symphony No. 1 for Percussion - Cirone - Cirone Mt. Fujiyama Suite - Christian - My Prod. Blue Somba - Houtili - Southern Concetto for Timpani and Percussion Ensemble - Beck - Kendor A Teuch of Bosthoven - Christian - My Prod. Charleston Capens - Green/Becker - Becker Rajah - Green - Marimba Prod. Keep Movin' - Green/Becker - Becker Rajah - Green - Marimba Prod. Keep Movin' - Green/Becker - Marimba Prod. Tripints - Capen/Becker - Becker Good Times - Edwards and RogeryLane - Manu. Off the Wall - TempostoryLane - Manu.

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Senior Recital 5/3/90
Nevia Hart, Percausion
Eight Pieces for Four Timponi - Carter - Assoc,
Two Medican Dances - Stout - Studio 4
Dane Weckl Contemporary Drummer + One - Weckl &
Oliver - DCI Video
Rhythm Song - Smachack - Chip
Sonatina for Vibraharp - Sentz - Chip
Jupiter, the bringer of joility - Holst - Manu.

Honors Recital 5/6/90 Cnaig C. Edwards, Marimba Convenation for Solo Marimba - Miyoshi - Manu.

Milliken University

Percussion Ensembles 1 and 11 2/37/90 Brian Justison, Conductor Centralization - Schinatine - Southern Rondo for Percussion - Davis - Barnhouse Prelude and Allegio - Vola - Bourne Clintonian Sketch - Spears - Southern Chamber Piece for Percussion Quintet - Colgrass - MFP Summer Mood - Dutton - Percussion Arts

Senior Recital 3/4/90
Rea Krause, Percusation
Album for the Young - Tchaikovsky/Stevens - Studio 4
Franch Suite - Kraft - WIM
Concertino for Martimba and Orchestra - Creation - Schirmer
Twilight Drive - Gotfleb - Manu.
Cotcha - Spyro Gyra - Manu.
New Match - Samueh - Manu.
Senegal Calling - Steps Aboad - Manu.

Recital 4/5/50 John Guthrie, Percussion Suite Moderne for Marimba - Smith - Permus Monts Dance - Kralt - WMM Sonata for Percussion and Plano - Russell - MFP R.D.H. - Gloson - Southern

Senior Recital 4/22/99
Charles Sansone, Percussion
Two Pieces for Marimba - Houliff - Southern
Improvisation - March - Carter - Assoc.
Violin Concerto in A Minor - Bach - Leonard
Aja - Becker & Fagan - Manu.
Jumes - Metheny - Manu.
Island Magic - Weekl & Oliver - Manu.
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Percussion Ensemble 1 4/24/99
James Meyer, Cenductor
String Quartet Op. 33 No. 3 - Haydn/Vincent - Studio 4
Flive Short Pieces - Willer - Ludwig
Suite for Keyboard Percussion - Slater - OU Perc. Press
On the Wood Pille - Breuer - Manu.
Powder Pull - Breuer - Manu.
Ogoun Badagni - Rouse - Euro. Amer.

Northern Illinois University

Senior Recital
Scott Kevar, Percussion
Fantasia in A Major - Telemann - Kalmus
Water - Skoog - CMP
A Little Something - Alexis - Manu.
Vionna - Friedman - Bahlen Mills
The Drum Also Walters - Roach - Manu.
Invisible Woman - Barber, Berg, Johnson - Manu.
Rumbo Jumbo - Ashby, Osterman - Manu.
Breakout - Swing Out Skaor - Manu.
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Graduate Recital 16/12/89
James Walker, Marimba and Vibraphone
Rhythm Song - Smadock - Mallot Aris
Beach Street Years - Molenhol/Ealise - Kendor
Sonata No. 1 in G minor - Bach - Schimmer
Two Mesican dances - Stout - Studio 4
Chorale: Nun bitten wir den heiligen Gelst - Bach - Holt,
Rinehart, Wilmston
Suite for Marimba - Fissinger - Percussion Aris

Senior Recital 10/24/89

Kichard D. Rychel, Percussion
Tides - Rychel - Manu.

Monodrome - Taira - Editions Musicales Transatians ques
four Movements for Manimba - Burritt - Ludwig
Passion Clance - Tymer - Manu.

Osnia - O'Connell - Manu.

Percussion Ensemble 11/15/89
Robert Chappell, Rich Holly, Directors
Suite for Percussion - Koaft - Behvin
Vat Unser Im Himmelreich - Haugland - Manu.
Hierophonie V G-Taira - Rideau
Paquillatti - Halfter - Presser
Mountain Dance - Crusin/Holly - Manu.

Senior Recital 11/25/89
Eric Montzka, Percussien
Chega de Saudade - Jobim - Manu.
Sound Action - Cibb - MFP
Marimba Spiritual - Miki - Manu.
Thrill Seekert - Johnson - Manu.
Bellvia - Walton - Manu.
Uvnothed Left Lane Blues - Drake - Manu.

Recital 3/20/90
Kirk Gay, Percussion
Nosr's Dancer - Holly - Manu.
Impromptu for Snare - Gay - Manu.
Sonata for Timpani - Holly - Manu.
Keep the Kids at Home - Gay - Manu.
Rugtime Robin - Green - Becker
Suite for Hurdy-Gurdy - Susato - Manu.
Sources III - Burge - Teina
Topic of Conversation - Ross - Manu.

Senior Recital 4/7/90
Eric Stassen, Percusation
Suits from "The Soldier's Tale" - Stravinsky - Kalmus
In Wallood Bud - Monik - Manu.
Lonely Wioman - Coleman - Manu.
Impressions - Coltrane - Manu,
Juliu - Shorter - Manu,

Marimha Band, Steel Band 4/8/90 Rich Holly, G. Allan O'Connor, Cliff Alexis, Directors My Heart Declares a Holiday - Brusford/Gay & Sussen - Manu.
Seregal Calling - Manleti/Holly - Manu.
Doity Dimples - Green/Cahn - Cahn
Giffriends Medley - Becker - Becker
Spanish Waltz - Green/Becker - Becker
The Ragilime Robin - Green/Becker - Becker
Charleston Capes - Green/Becker - Becker
Lucy - Blue Boyhteadley - Manu.
Symphory No. 5 Cp. 47 - Shastakovidi/O'Consor - Manu.
The Iron Man - Rücheney/Medis - Manu.
Milis You Like Crazy - Masser, Geffle, Glass/Alexis - Manu.
Somebody - Baron/Alexis - Manu.

Senior Recital 4/11/96
Ken Kraffheler, Percussion
Rudimental Heights - Barrett - Permus
Monts Dance - Kraft - WilM
Concertino for Marimba - DePonte - Studio 4
Sonata for Two Pianos and Percussion - Bartok - Boosey &
Hawkes

Graduate Recital 4/13/90
James Walker, Percussion
Preludes for Vibraharp - DeGastyne - Manu.
Conversation - Miyoshi - Ongaku
Pieces for Four Timpani - Carer - AMP
Duettino concertante - Dahl - Broude
Ladies in Mercodes - Swallow - Manu.
Infant Eyes - Shorter - Manu.
Cannial - Hall - Manu.
Out of Pasture - Richeson/Stout - Manu.

Percussion Ensemble 4/16/90 Rich Hody and Brad Stirtz, Directors Polyphonies - Cunningham - ACA October Mountain - Howhaness - Peters Momentum - Krait - Southern Synchronisms No. 5 - Davidowski - Marka Quiett - MacBride - Smith

INDIANA

Ball State University

Indian Day of Percussion 4/7/90
Marimba/Percussion Ensemble
Erwin Maeller, Director
Overlare to William Tell - Rossini/Hatch - Hatch
Xylophonia - Green/Becter - Becter
Anuba - Freemani/Nearpass - Manu.
The Ice Cheam Suite Rag - Daumaider - Permus
Rain - Green/Becker - Becker
Marimba Spiritual - Miki - Monu,

Butler University

Indiana Day of Percussion 4/7/90 Percussion Ensemble John Hill, Director Drum Ode - Leiman - Manu. Gollwogg's Cakewalk - Debussy/Werdesheim - Pro Perc. Press Famiary On a Raga - Keczor - Kondor Dance - Odf - Manu. Ball - Godon - MFP

Indiana State University

Indiana Day of Percussion 4/7/99
Steel and Percussion Ensembles
Doug Walter, Director
Variations on a Chanatan Theme - Levitan - Manu.
El Morteuro - Belos - Manu.
Sloop John B - Trad. - Manu.
Oyelo - Narell - Manu.
Polita from the Gayne Ballet - Shoatakovich - Manu.
When Dreams Come True - Dicesso/Hawkins - Manu.

Indiana University

Senior Recital 4/6/90
Philip Banner, Percussion
Figments of a Wasped Imagination - Schrum - MFP
Havanaise, Op. 83 - Saint-Saens - Marru.
Adventures for One - Stern - MFP
Variations on Familiar Themes - Roberts - Flanel Pub.

Indiana Day of Percussion 4/7/90 Percussion Ensemble William Roberta, Olrector March for Timpani No. 1 - Burns - Manu. Seemade - Lockwood - Music Press Plateaux - Roberts - Manu. Senior Recital 4/8/90
Stephen L. Belans, Percussion
Pornals in Rhythm - Circore - Behvim
Three Pinces for Five Timpani - LaFave - Panadox Music
XI, Plus One - Etler - Southern
Suite for Flue and juzz Plano - Boiling - Boiling
Sighteeing - Ferrante and Haslip - Manu.

Percussion Ensemble 4/14/90
William Roberts, Director
The Burning House - Howhaness - Peters
Spain - Coose - Manus.
Pive Serenades - Lockwood - Music Press
Clave - Wacker - Manu.
Double Music - Caga/Hantson - Peters
Plateates - Roberts - Manu.

Graduate Recital 4/22/90
Jonathan Wacker, Percussion
Serots for Two Planos and Percussion - Bartok - Boosey & Plawkes
Dual Excursions - Watters - Manu.
Modds for Interaction - Lincoln - Studio 4

Vincernes University

Indiana Day of Percussion 4/7/90
Percussion Ensemble
Sharon S, Jacksen, Director
A La Nanigo - Peters - KSM Pub.
Carotte Irom Franch Suite No. 5 - BadySchinstine Southern
Three Brothers - Colgrass - MFP
William Tell Overture Finale Escerpts - Rossini - Monu.
A Blast of Class - Schinstine - Southern
Pieces of Eight - Pear/Collier - Manu.

LOUISIANA

Louisiana State University

Marimba Ensemble 3/19/96
Eric A. Chandler, Conductor
William Tell Overtare - Rossin/Hatch - Hatch
Canzon Prima - Cabriel/Schaeler - Pornus
Allegro from Octet Partita Op. 57 - Krommer/Chandler Ludwig
Marimba Capers - Caneva/Chandler - Manu.
Husting Song - Mendehscha/Tanner - MFP
Jolly Caballero - Frosin/John - Cahn
Adagio for Strings - Barbor/Chandler - Manu.
Ragitime Robin - Green/Beckler - Becker
Fluffy Ruffles - Green/Cohn - Cahn

MASSACHIUSETTS

University of Massachusetts

Senior Recital 4/3/90
James Broadhanst, Percussion
Fantare for Horn and Timpani - Hainsworth - Manu.
Two Pieces for Horn and Timpani - Hainsworth - Manu.
Agamemon - Loudova - Schimer
Concerto for Marimba and Orchestra - Kurka - Weintraub

Percunion Ensemble and UMass Marimbas, IMass Minsternan Marching Band Front Percussion Ensemble 4/ 16/90
Peter H. Tanner, Thom Hannum, James Ancona, Directors Sonatina - Tall - Boosey & Hawkes Steams - Benson - MCA, Pulso - Cowell - MFP
Pulso - Cowell - MFP
Two Pictures - Suscille - MFP
Jovial Jasper - Green/Becker - Becker
The Whisther - Cowen/Becker - Becker
Log Cabin Bluss - Green/Becker - Becker
Cross Comets - Green/Becker - Becker
Rainbow Ripples - Green/Becker - Becker
Twike Our Garden Crow* and overture (from Candide) - Berstein/Harmum - Manu.
La Negra - trad. Mexican/Cabn, Ancona - Manu.

Senior Honors Project 5/15/90
James Broadhusts, Arrangements for Mariniba Ensemble
UMass Marinibas, Peter Tamner, Director
Hark All Ye Lovely Saints Above - Weetkes - Manu.
Amor mi fa morine - Willaett - Manu.
Scherzo from Incidental Music to "A Midburnmer Night's
Dream" - Mendelstohn-Barholdy - Manu.
Nuoges gris - Uset - Manu.
Nuoges gris - Uset - Manu.
The Call to be Simple - Couland - Manu.
The Call to be Simple - Couland - Manu.

Marimba Edvavaganza S/15/90
UMase Marimbas II, III
Thomas P, Hannam, John P, Kelley, Directors
Allegro - Mozarl/Tanner - Manu.
Konzert - Telemann - Barennelser
Andante - Tschalkowsky/Musser - Fonter
La Cumpanita - Rodelguezyleanne - Permus
prelude for Four Marimbas - Leonard
Adagio - Corell/Fink - Saudio 4

PROPERTY AND ADDRESS OF THE PARTY AND ADDRESS

MICHIGAN

Aquinas College

Percantion Group 4/26/90
Rupert Kettle, Director
Tim Proncek, Guest Soloist
Snare Drum for Camus - Celli - Manu.
Dancing - Kechley - Pine Valley Press
Pieces for Drum Quartet - Tenney - Kerby
The Weight of Light - William - Manu.
Blues for Max Roach - Kettle - Manu.
Ostinato Plankimo - Countil - Pressor

MINNESOTA

Concordia College

Tri-College Percussion Ensemble and Marinsha Choir
4/1/39
(/Concordia College, Moorhead State University, North
Dakots State University)
David P. Byler, Director
Balaican Holiday - Brand - Kendor
Paschal Dances - Callingham - Maru.
Adagio from Symphony Nie, 3 - Saint-Saena/Capson - OU
Pesc.
Highlife - Paint - Behvin
Amparito Roca - Tesidooffylor - Manu.
Bajo Los Pinos - Onalle/Cyler - Manu.
Marinba - Lasa/saane - Permus
Espant Canti - Marquina/Joanne - Permus
Back Talk - Breuer/Gipson - OU Perc.
Log Cabin Blues - Coren/Becker - Becker
Suite for Solo Drum Set and Percussion Ensemble - Mancini - Kendor
El Cumbanchero - Hernandez/Faint - Peer International

Day of Percussion 3/31/90 Marimba Choir

Adagio from Symphony No. 3 - Saint Saens/Gipson - OU Perc. Amparito Roca - Texidos/Moore Bajo Los Pinos - Ovalle/Tyler - Manu. Marimba - Lara/jeanne - Manu. Bapari Cani - Manyuina/jeanne - Permus Back Talk - Brese/Gipson - OU Perc. Log Cobin Blues - Green/Becker - Beckey

Day of Percussion 3/31/90
Tri-College Percussion Enormble
Steve Houghton, Drumant
Balalation Hollday - Brand - kendor
A La Samba - Peters - Peters
Suite for Solo Drumset and Percussion Ensemble - Mancini - Kendor
El Cumbanchero - Hernandez/Faini - Poer International

Tri-College Percussion Ensemble and Munimba Choir 12/
11/89
David P. Eyler, Director
Tijuana Samba - Brand - Kendor
Ball - Cordon - MFP
Satte for Tambourie and Percussion Ensemble - Elias Opus
Latino - Eyler - Ludwig
Serike Force - Brown - Kendor
A La Samba - Peters - Peters
Adaglo - Barber - Manu,
Dance of the Corrections - Smetara/Musser - Forster
Greensleves - art. Peters - Drums Unitim.
Dance of the Sugar Plum Fairy - Tcharkovsky/Applebaum Manu,
Steigh Ride - Anderson/Applebaum - Manu,
Street Song - Ortifigler - Manu.

Senior Recital 3/17/90
Cynthia Trout, Percassion
Elado Cp. 10 No. 5 - Chopin/Rauch - Manu,
Tune in C minor for Piano and Percussion - Pillin - WIM.
Concertino for Martinia and Oribestra - Oreston - Schirmer
Sonata No. 1 for Timpani and Piano - Cirone - Cirone
Journey Past the Unicom for Vibraphone and Soptano -

Stamp - Permus Grandma Ruby's Recipes - Lambert - Manu. Back Talk - Breuer - OU Perc.

Recital 4/29/90
Lori Kinder, Percussion
Michael Tuckor, Percussion
Concorto pour batterie et petit orchestra - Milhaud Univernal
Two Movements for Marimba - Tanaka - Ongaku
Sonata for timpant - Bock - Rendor
Sonata for Marimba and Plano - Tanner - Cole
Suite for Timpant - Maricini - Kondor
"Losi" from Songs for Vibes - Fink - Fink
Suite for Three Orumests - Blas - Education Ideas

MacPhail Center for the Arts

Percussion Ensembles 3/16/90
Robert Adasy & Paul Babcsck, Directors
Encounter - O'Connor - Bambouse
Popcorn - Kingsley/Konney - Bourne
Dinner Music in a Boller Factory - Barnett - Belwin Mills
Latin Ostinato - Faberman - Adler
Japanese Impression - Cirone - Belwin
Asi Te Sone - Hendriguez - Oddo
El gosanito - Lechuga - Oddo
Sutte for Jazz Drums and Handclappers - Udow - ACA
Plano Phase - Reich - Universal
Gainsborough - Gaugher - Southern
Nola - Amd/Cahn - Cahn

Gala Percussion Ensemble Concert 3/18/90
Valley Middle School, MacPhall Center, Tri-College,
College of St. Benedict/St. John's University, Apple Valley
High School, U. of Wisconein River Falls
Directors: David Miller, Robert Adney, David Eyler,
Michael Hotland, Herb Dick, J. Michael Roy
Valencian Dance - Brand - Kender
Sabre Dance - Khachaterian/Moose - Permus
Japanese Impressions - Cincer - Behvin Mills
Gainsborough - Gauger - Southers
Log Cabri Bluer - Green/Becker - Becker
Back Talk - Breuer/Gipson - OU Press
music for pieces of wood - Reich - Universal
La Pulka De Marna, Regalito De Amor - DeLeon - Oddo
Chromatic Fox-Trat - Creen/Becker - Becker
Uf den anger from "Carmina Burana" - Ort/Voick - Manu.
El Cumbarchero - Hernandes/Faini - Belsein
Time Piece - Descarlino - Manu.
Beatles Medley - av. Roy - Manu.

Percussion Ensemble 5/15/90
Robert Adney & Paul Babcock, Directors
Short Overture - Buggeri - Cole
My Old Kentucky Home - arr. Musser - Deagan
Scherzo Wilhout Instruments - Schinstine - Southern
Conga Capera - Cale - Pro Art
Commonium - Spears - Barnhouse
Pursuit for Solo Marintia and Percussion Ensemble - Jenny
- Permus
Didhotomy - Cloone - Belwin
Suite for Solo Drumset and Percussion Ensemble - Mancini
- Kendor
El Cumbarchero - Hermandeg/Faini - Belwin

MacRIMBA 5/24/90
Robert Adney, Paul Babcock, Barbara Jean Huestis, Randy
Martens, Julie Olsen Schmid
Yest: Wie Have No Barranus - Silvet/Cahn - Cahn
La Polka De Mama - Deteon - Oddo
Regalito De Amor - Deteon - Oddo
Chicken Reel - Daly/Cahn - Cahn
To A Wild Rose - arr. Museer - Deagan
Tarantella - Mendelsschry/Tanner - Sudio 4
Polonaise Militaire - Chopin/Cahn - Cahn
Adagio from Symphony 94 - Haydri/Schaeler - Permus
The Regime Robin - Green/Bocker
Sylophonia - Green/Witten - Southern
Calanity - Olsen - Manu.

St. Olaf College

Sweet Surrender - Olsen - Manu.

Smior Recital 3/19/90
Peter Goodin, Percussion
Serry Box, Hell on the Wabash, Downfall of Paris - arv.
Fernel - Fisher
Hungarian Dunce No. 5 - Brahms/Goodin - Manu.
The Galloping Cornedians - Kabelevsky - Chappell
Partita in C Major for Six Timpani - Drunchetzky - Powley
Eighteen Duos - Bartok/Kuzz - Boxwey & Hawkes
Prelude to Cello Sulte No. 1 in C Major - Bach - Schirmer
Andiante to Violin Sonata No. 2 in A Minor - Bach -

Schimer
Five Bagatelles - Parker - Southern
Amazing Grace - tracl/Goodin - Manu.
Schweet - Ryberg & Goodin - Manu.

Percussion Speciacular 4/23/90
Percussion Ensembles from St. Olaf College and MacPhail
Center
Robert Adney, Director
Ceremonium - Speats - Barnhouse
Japanese Imparesions - Cirone
Suite for Solo Drumset - Mancini - Kendor
Clintonian Sleech - Speam - Barnhouse
Perspectives - Weiner - Southern
Discipline - Crimoonylust - Manu.
Slee Rondo alla Tutk - Baubeck/Olsen - Manu.
Geremonial Op. 103 - Creston - Schirmer
El Cumbarchoro - Herrandos/Faini - Belwin

University of Minnesota

Graduate Recital 5/14/90
Joe Palice
Hora Staccato - Dinicu-Heiletz - Fischer
Ragtime Robin - Green - Maredith
Rioss de los Incas - Fuentes/Johnson - Manu.
Four Pieces for Timpani - Bergamo - MFP
Looking Inside to See Out - Pulice - Manu.
Duet Suite - Corea - Manu.
Tornado - Markovich - Creative
Mountains of Cay - Pulice - Manu.
Old Age - Pulice - Manu.
Listing Impressions - Pulice - Manu.
Those Worldly Blues - Pulice - Manu.

MISSISSIPPI

Delta State University

Mailet Ememble 4/10/90
Douglas Wheeler, Conductor
Prelude - Leonard - Voltwein
Bacchanale - Hovhanesa - Paters
Chorale "O Dearest Jesus, What Law Hast Thou Broken" Bach - Manu.
Bach - Manu.
Baccheros de Alhambra - Tarrega*Vincent - Vincent
Chichicasterango - Perez - Oddo
Canon - Pachelbet/May - Manu.
Darkness on the Delta - am. Moore/Keys - Manu.
La Nego - am. Cahn - Cahn
Back Talk - Breuer/Gipson - OU Perc.
Log Cabin Blues - Cremy/Becker - Cahn(Bolero - Rosales/
Masser - Emery

Mississippi Gulf Count Community College

Percussion Ensemble 4/24/90
Dr. Michael Gill, Conductor
Basport Stetch - Spears - Barnhouse
African Statches - Williams - Ludwig
Concetto Grosso Op. 3 No. 6 - Vivald/England - Pro Art
Teardrops - Peters - Paters
Thee Brother - Colgrass - MTP
The Swords of Moda-Ling - Peters - Peters

University of Southern Mississippi

Percussion Ensemble 4/11/90 Sharman Hong, Conductor Andy Sanders, Asst. Conductor Contemplations - Thomas, Lucchesi, Kenth - Manu. Prelude XXII - Bach/Voters - Peters Declarative Stancor - Riley - Ludwig Canon in D - Pachelbel/Farberman - Costelu Portico for Percussion Orchestra - Gauger - Gauger

MISSOURI

University of Missouri - Columbia

Percussion Ensemble 4/8/90
Thomas M. Wuhhbeshoest, Conductor
Prelude for Percussion - Miller - MFP
Suite for Sideman and Handclappers - McKenzie - Media
Press
Cainsborough - Gouger - Southers
Suite for Tambourine - Elias - Opus
Jazz Variants - Beck - Boston
Intrusions for Ten Percussion - Serry - Manu.

NEW JERSEY

Glassboro State College

Percussion Ensemble and Marimbe Band 2/26/90
Dean Witten, Director
Ketlak - Nishimura - Ongaku
Ociet for Keyboard Percussion - Snoeck - MFP
Symphony No. 3 in C minor "Adagio" - Saint-Saens/Gipson
- U. of Odia Press
Carazona - Saiser - U. of Odiahoma Press
Value Brillante - Green/Becker - Becker

Valse Brillante - Green/Becker - Becker Rainbow Ripples - Green/Becker - Becker Caprice Valsant - Green/Becker - Becker

Senior Recital 3/31/90 Marmi Valentine DeVilto, Percussion Concertino for Marintha - Creston - Schirmer City Song - Rossi - Maru. Histoire Du Soldat - Stravinsky - Kalmus

Percussion Essemble 4/16/90
Dean Witten, Director
Home-War-Home - Holfmagle - Manu,
Los Dioses Aztecus - Read - Cole
Toccata for Marimba and Percussion Ensemble - Kelly - ACA
Dancing - Kachley - Pine Valley Press
Samba Macabre - Saint-Sacns/Brever - Southern

Smior Recital 4/29/90
Daniel G. Sooy, Percussion
Gebrauchsmusik for Dance - Margolis - Harnor
Recitative from Eight Pieces for Four Timpeni - Carter - Assoc.
Value Brilliania - Green/Becker - Becker
Toccata for Marimba and Percussion Ensemble - Kelly - ACA.
Solo No. 1 for Conga and Drumset - Ganduglis, Lizama - Mana.

NEW YORK

Eastman School of Music - University of Rochester

Percussion Ensemble 2/13/90
John Beck, Conductor
Lovic Bellson, Soleist
Jazz Variants - Beck - Beston
Concerto for Drumset and Percussion Ensemble - Beck Kendor
Concerto for Percussion and Concert Band - Childs - Manue

Chamber Percussion Ensemble 2/15/90
Peter Coutsouridis and Daniel Florie, Conductors
Rock Blude No. 7 - Douglas and Udow - MEP
Crystals - Molineux - Harrae
Running - The Last Sextet - Strain - Manu.
The Structos para Percussion - Lacenta - Paul Price
Rain Music - Balox - Manu.
Cestmonial - Conton - Schirmer

Gnaduate Recital 3/28/96
Daniel Florio, Percussion
The Wonderful Widow of Eighteen Springs - Cage - Poters
Secta from Eight Pieces for Four Timpani - Carter - Assoc.
Duo for Suphonium and Percussion - Barber - Luchwig
Composed Improvisation for Snare Dnam - Cage - Smith
Tone III - Miyoshi - Ongaku

Recital 3/28/90
Daniel Collison, Percussion
Empherries - Boone - Edition Salabert
Concerto for Martimba and Orchestra - Basta - Mff*
Therapy for Multipercussion - Serry - Saudio 4
Dill Pickies - Johnson - Cahn
The Humming Bird - Crosn - Cahn
Valse Brillante - Green - Cahn
Xylophonia - Green - Cahn

Graduate Recital 3/28/90
Peter Coutsouridis, Percussion
Orion M. 42 - Brindle - Peters
Two Movements for Marienba - Tanaka - Ongaloy
Three Episodes for Timpani - Beck - Kendor
Concerto for Maliet Instruments - Lepuk - Windsor Pub.

Contemporary Percussion 3/25/90 John Beck, Conductor Three Dance Stotches - Husa - Assoc. Music for Voice, Percussion and Plano - Witt - Manu. Arcane Teoluses - Hartenstein - Manu. Dol's House Story - Marta - Editio Musica Budapest Recital 4/5/90
Rebert McDwan, Percussion
Preluide and Rondo on themes by Richard Hochtainer - Albagii - Manu.
Pendant - Heider - Moock
Firewing (The Flame and the Moth) - Welcher - Manu.
Five Scenes from the Snow Country - Henne - Schott
Forever and Sunsmell - Cage - Peters

NAZARETH COLLEGE OF BOCHESTER

Faculty Recital 3/4/96
Krister Shiner, Marimba and Vibraphone
Oream of the Cherry Blossoms - Abe - Zimmermann
Meditation for Marimba and Organ - Creston - Schirmer
Concerto in d minor for Two Violins and Plano - Bach Peters
In A Sentimental Mood - Ellington - Fake Book
Petelido - Tizol - Fake Book
On the Dying Wind of the Boogie - NewShiner - Manu.

Senior Recital 3/24/90
Roger C. DeBell, Percussion
Frogs - Abe - Studio 4
Sonata for Timpani - Beck - Kendor
Variations for Flute and Percussion - Lambert -MFP
Suite for Xylophone and Orchestra - Cary - Galaxy

Percussion Ensemble 4/17/90
Kristen Shiner, Conductor
The Centle Metal Monster - Schinstine - Southern
Sea Refractions - Peters - Peters
Mean to Me - Turk & Ahlen/Ssrandberg - Fake Book
French Suite - Kraft - WIM
The Old Woman - Johnson - Southern
Gairsborough - Cauger - Southern

NORTH CAROLINA

East Carolina University

Senior Recital 2/12/90
Dwight D. Lawing, Percussion
Sonata for Marimba and Piano - Lanner - Cole
Trilogy for Vibraphone - Huesgen - CMP
Corlegs - Grimo - Southern
La cathedrale engloutie - Debusy/Lawing - Manu.

Senior Recital 3/20/90 Russell Sledge, Percussion Two Movements for Matimba - Tanaka - Ongaku 4 Venes for timpani - Houllif - Paul Price Nara - Cahn - Cahn Barbados - Johnson - Mans,

Percussion Ensemble 3/31/90 Mark Ford, Director Portico for Percussion Orchestra - Gauger - Gauger head Talk - Ford - Manu. First Chicle - Methers/füngan - Manu.

Becital 4/6/90 Bodney Ward Haward, Percussion My Lady White - Misilanka - Marimba prod. Wave Motion - Molenhol - Kendor Sonata No. 1 - Clone - Grone Forever 6 - Bridges/Sledge/Howard - Manu.

Percussion Ensemble 4/9/99 Mark Ford, Director Portico for Percussion Orchestra - Gauger - Gauger Two Movements for Mantmba - Tanaka - Ongaku Head Talk - Ford - Manu. First Circle - Metherty/Kingan - Manu.

Recital 4/18/90

Sim Carry, Vibraphone
Funk Tune #2 - Carry - Manu.
Beautiful Love - Young - Manu.
Vesterday - Lennon/McCartney - Manu.
La Fiesta - Corea - Manu.
Bye Bye Blackbird - standard - Manu.
Abscounding Thoughts - Carry - Permus
W. #. F. - Carry - Manu.

Symphony Orchestra 4/22/90 Robert Hause, Conductor Christopher Holliday, Percussion Concerto for Percussion and Small Orchestra - Milhaud -Universal

Percussion Players 4/23/50 Directors: Harold Jones, Jim Carey, Tony Cox Sabre Dance - Khachatarian/Moore - Permas Therse from "New York, New York" - Behvin B Camanchero - Hernandez/Yaini - Behvin Brade Op. 6 No. 10 - Masser - Stadio 4 Yellow After the Rain - Peters - Peters Uluru - Frazure - Kender Franch Suite - Kraft - New Music West

North Carolina School of the Arts - University of North Carolina

Percussion Ensemble 5/16/90 J. Mande Johnson, Director J. Mande Johnson, Director Cainsborough - Gauger - Southern Symphony No. 2 for Percussion - Cirone - Belwin Five Short Pieces - Miller - Ludwig

Western Carolina University

Faculty Recital 10/8/89
Marie Gastano, Percassion
Time for Marintia - Mid - Ongalou
Three Interludes for Soprano and Vibraphone - Steiner SeeSaw
Kandinsky Variations - Kraft - New Music West
Concession for Xylophone - Mayuzumi - Peters
Mourning Dove Sounct for Solo Vibraphone - Deane Code

Recital 10/19/89 Anthony Higdon, Percussion Selections from Impirations Diabolique - Tagawa - WIM.

Percussion Ensemble 10/31/89
Marie Gaettano, Director
Three Episodes - O'Reilly - Schimmer
Prelude for Percussion - Miller - MEP
Carticle No. 1 - Hamison - MEP
Allegro from Quartet in C - Mozart/Classock - Permus
Rendo from Quartet in B flat - Mozart/Classock - Permus
Bethona - Joplin/Caetano - Manu.

Recital 11/1/89 Anthony Higdon, Percussion Pas de deux - Russell - MFP

Recital 11/28/89 Percussion ensemble Mario Gactano, Director Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring - Bach/Caetano - Manu.

Recital 2/22/90 Shannon Kerr, Percussion Selections from Inspirations Diabolique - Tagawa - WIM.

Recital 3/20/90
Anthony Higdon, Marinsba
Shannon Kerr, Percusion
Conceto for Marinsba - Creson - Schirmer
Selections from Inspirations Diabolique - Tagawa - WIM

Percussion ensemble 3/27/90
Mario Gaetano, Director
Assumption and Proposal - Novotrray - Smith
Toccata - Charvez - Behein Mills
Calmborough - Gauger - Southern
Rondo from String Quartet Op. 33 No. 1 - Haydn/Vincent Soudio 4
Fugue in G Major - Bach/Gaetano - Manu.
Comedium Gallop - Sabalannios/Feters - Peters

Faculty Recital 4/3/90 Mario Gaetano, Marineba Two Movements for Marineba - Tanaka - Ongalou

NORTH DAKOTA

Lake Agassiz

Lake Agganiz Concert Band 5/20/90 Dr. David Eyler, Marimba Concertino for Marimba - DePovec - Studio 4

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Kent State University

Percussion Ensemble 11/2/89 Michael J. Burritt, Director Cross Corners - Green - Becker Valse Brillante - Creen - Becker Hall Mary - Kreutz - CMP Chamber Piece for Percussion Quintet - Colgrass - MPP Dance Music - McCarthy - Manu. Bourne - Bach/Ofinstead - Studio 4 Iorisation - Vance - Boosey & Hawlors The Whole Toy Laid Down - Hollinden - Manu.

Faculty Recital 11/20/89
Michael Burritt, Percussion and Marimba
The Magus - Wiley - Manu.
"Scraps of echoes . . . " - Welsh - Smith
Recitative - Bergamo - MFP
Finale - Bergamo - MFP
Wanderings - Burnit - Manu,
Rimbatly - McCarthy - Manu.

Senior Recital 11/28/989
Thomas Deastlov, Marimba and Vibraphone
Variation on Lost Love - Maslanka - Marimba Prod.
Sornight Dialogues - Banes - Southern
Soruta No. 1 in G minor - Bach - Schimmer
What a Night! - Deastlov - Manu.

Senior Recital 2/25/90
David W. Feyler, Percussion
Inspirations Diabolique - Tagaga - Wayl
Lydeka - Glassock - Marinha Prod.
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Melodia Nesa - DiPletro - AM Pub.
Mirror from Another - Friedman - Belvin Mills

Graduate Recital 3/22/90
David Gilbert, Percussion
Chronssie - Arout - Canadian Music Center
Saite for Flate and Marinba - Wilder - Margun
Wind in the Bamboo Grove - Abe - Schott
Memories of the Seashore - Abe - Schott
The Whole Toy Laid Down - Hollinden - Manu,

Recital 4/5/96
Prederick J. Sehaggio, Percussion
Sonata No. 3 for Violin in E Major - Bach - Schirmer
Canaries/Moto Perpetuo - Caster - AAP
Just Seven For Drum - Brun - Smith
Michi - Abe - MPP
Molotove Cockuli - Selvaggio - Manu.

Recital 476/90
David M. Berdy, Marimha, Percussion, Plano
Prelude in G Major - Musser - Sucho 4
English Suite - Kraft - New Music West
Ragtime Robin - Green - Mendith
Water and Fire - Skoog - CMP

Senior Recital 4/13/90
Thomas Deaution, Percussion
Suite for Solo Vibraphone - LePak - Windsor
Wave Motion - Molenhol - Kendor
Two Mexican Dances - Stout - Studio 4
Creation and Metamorphosis - Deastlov - Manu.
Evolutions - Monroe - Manu.
Rhythm Song - Smadleck - CMP

Recital 4/14/90
Timothy Lapham, Penousion
Raga No. 1 - Cahn - Wimbledon
Sonata Brevis - Helbie - Soudo 4
Midnight Star - Grideman - Belwin Mills
Variations of Japanese Children's Songs - Abe - Schott
**Scape of echoes . . . * - Welsh - Smath
Sticks of Elequence - Burrie - Ludwig

Percussion Ensemble 4/19/90
Midhael Burnitt, Director
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Sherri Burbick, Guest Conductor
The Whole Toy Laid Down - Hollinden - Manu.
Suite for Percession - Kraft - New Music West
The Swords of Moda-Ling - Peters - Peters
Diabolic Variations - Heible - OU pub.
Donna Lee - Parker - Manu.
Abity Road Meddey - Lannon/McCartney/Skirtz - Manu.
The Black Page - Zappa - Manu.

Recital 4/28/90 Kristen Tait, Percussion French Suite - Kraft - Niew Music West Sorsata for Timpani - Bock - Kendor Sorsata No. 1 in G minor - Bach - Schimer

Graduate Recital 5/5/90 Sherri D. Burbick, Percussion Four Movements for Morienbu - Burrist - Ludwig Sonata No. 1 in A minor - Bach - Schinner Soucces III - Burge - Broade Dream of the Cherry Biossoms - Abe - Zimmerman

Oberlin College Conservatory of Music

Percussion Group 4/16/89
Michael Rosen, Conductor
Raspiterries - Boone - Salabest
Campanella - Rudzinski - Cont. Polish Music
Percussion Quantet - Foss - Fischer
Woodwork - Bach - Manu.
Credo in US - Cage - Peters
Tapestrie - Ishihara - JPC

Percussion Group 4/27/90 Michael Rosen, Director Circle Sonata - Holmon - Manu. Galerie - Heider - Moeck Finst Construction (In Metal) - Cage - Peters Intentions - Movethey - Manu. Five Diesen Sequences - Rose - Manu. LEX - Daugheny - Manu.

Recital 5/2/90 Carel Nelson, Percussion Time for Marintos - Milki - Ongaku Mamories of the Seashore - Abe - Schott That Time of Year - Premru - Manu.

Senior Recital 5/5/90 Evan Hause, Percussion Variations on Japanese Children's Songs - Abe - Schott Right's New Idea - Hause - Manu. Time Cycle - Fost - Fischer

Ohio University

Percussion Ensemble 2/27/90 Gay A. Bernoniko, Director Cardicle No. 1 - Harrison - MFP Perfectly Frank - Malabattunitan - Levitan Parlico for Percussion Orchestra - Gauger - Gauger

Graduate Recital 3/8/90
Thomas W. Shriver, Percussion
Nichi - Abe - MFP
Double Crossings - Bazelon - Boosey & Hawles
Concertine for Marimba - Creston - Schimmer
Eight Precession Four Timpani - Carter - AMP
Three Miniatures for Percussion and Orchestra - Kraft Mills
Folk Music - Molenbol - Belwin Mills
Rainbow Ripplies - Green - Maredith

The Ohio State University

Percussion Ensemble 11/9/89
james L. Moore, Director
Prefude and Allegro - Volz - Bourne
Three Blothers - Colgrass - MFP
Los Dioses Aztecas - Brad - Cole
Percussion Quartet No. 1 - Brand - Bramora
Chief Judge - Collins - Creative
Daybreak for Marimba Ensemble - Stamp - Permus
The Can-Can from Orpheus - Offerbach@eanne - Permus

Recital 11/29/96 John Michael Barrelag, Percussion Jeda Suite for Snate Chum - Ukena - Southern Sonata for Marimba and Plano - Tanner - Cole Four Verses for Timpani - Houlif - MPP Étude Op. 6 No. 9 - Musser - Alfred

Day of Percussion 1/13/96
Percussion and Marimba Ensembles
James L. Moore, Director
Prelode and Allegro - Volz - Bamhouse
Three Brothers - Colgass - MPP
Schizoid H - Moore - Ludwig
Sonata for Xylophone - Patfield - Peters
Agrus Dei - Palestrina - Permus
Branderberg Conceto #2 - Bach - Permus
Eine Kleine Nachtmuski - Mozart - Permus
Can Can - Offenbach - Permus
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Percussion Ensemble 2/20/90
James L. Moore, Director
El Cumbanchero - HernandooYaini - Bahwin
Agnus Dei - Palestina/Moore - Permus
Brandenberg Concerto No. 2 - Back/Schaeler - Permus
Suite 275 for Percussion Quartet - Sivils - Manu.
Semper FI - Sowash - Manu.
The William Tell Overture - Rossin/Houldi - Kendor

Percession Ensemble 5/6/90 James L. Meone, Director Ritmica No. 6 - Roldan - Southern Underdog Rag - Richards - Richards A New Spoken Fugue - Metz - MENC Journal . Xylophonia - Careen - Southern Londonderry Air - trad, Peters - Drums Unlimited Ku-Ka-illimoliu - Rouse - Helicon

University of Akron

Recital 4/8/90
Richard E. Maurer, Percussion
Seven Quiet Soudies - Childs - Smith
Aria for Two Sopranos and Vibraghone - Drew - Manu.
Tropical Winds - Moses - Luckvig
Water and Fine for Martma - Skoog - CMP
Dinner at Suc's - Arbuckle - Manu.
Third Construction - Cage - Peters

Percussion Ensemble 4/26/90 Larry Snider, Director Dance Music - McCarthy - Manu. Concerto for Violin with Percussion Onchestra - Harrison -Peters Musik im Bauch - Stockhausen - Stockhausen

Chamber Orchestra 5/4/90 Cancerto Campetition Kelly Lucas, Marimba Concerto for Marimba and Orchestra - Platizynska - Panuer

PENNSYLVANIA

Indiana University of Pennsylvania

Percussion Ensemble 3/6/96
Gary J. Olimitead, Conductor
Celebration and Chosale - DePonte - MFP
Six Bagatelles - Leonard - Leonard
Fantare for Tambourines - Albert - MFP
Adagio - Rinchk/jeanne - Permas
Prekide and Dance - Le Presti - MFP
Danse Macabre - Saint-Sierra/Vincent - Rayburn Music
Highlife - Faint - Behvin
II Cumbarchero - Hernandou/Faint - Peer International

Recital 4/1/90
Gregory Hart Alico, Percussion
Three Movemens for Solo Timpani - Stepler - Manu.
Variations for Flute, Piccolo and Percussion - Lambert MFP
Brythm Song - Smatbock - CMP
Mexican Dance No. 1 - Steut - Soudio 4
Nola - AmptiGreen - Cahn

Recital 4/2/90
David Geckle, Percussion
Sonata for Marimba and Piano - Tanner - Cole
A Chance Encounter - Ebeling - Manu.
Crystal Silence - Consa - Real Book
Maple Leaf Rag - Joplin - Permus
Violin Sonata in G minor - Bach - Schirmer
Ballad for the Dance - Goodman - Marru.
The Final Ebude - Triedman - Berklee Press
Senor Mouse - Corea - Real Book

Recital 4/28/99
Al. Andrew Bennekamper, Percussion
Solo Dialogue for Four Timpani and Three Tom-Toms Leonard Vollovein
Sulle for Mariniba - Fissinger - Perc, Arts
Morris Dance - Kraft - Wild
Rubby the Tiger - Molenhof - Kendor
Mayflower - Molenhof - Kendor
Log Cabin Blues - Geon/Secker - Morredith

Recital 4/39/90
Britan A. Tychinaki, Percussion
Frogs - Abe - Studio 4
Sonata for Timpani - Beck - Boston
Grave from Sonata in A minor - Bach - Schinner
Triplets - Creen - Merceldin
Rhythm Song - Smadbeck - Mallet Ans
Daydream - Ellington/Rhodes - Manu.
Scherzo Caprice - Musser - Studio 4
At Home in My Heart - Molenhol - Kendor

Recital 5/1/90

Patrick C. Mulgrew, Percussion
Two Part Inventions: C Major, A minor, F major - Bach Presser
Concert Duet for Flute and Vibes - Houltif - Studio 4
Ubique - Leonard - Leonard
Prelude in E minor - Chopin - Schirmer
Poems - Smith - Soniers Music
Commonies for Trumpet and Percussion - Blank - MEP

Recitals 5/6/90 Pauline Pul-Ling Cheng, Percussion Yellow After the Rain - Pr Carillon - Gibson - Studio 4 Suite Mexicana - Larson - Southern The Love of L'Histoire - DeLancey - Peters The True Lover's Farewell - Gwin - Southern Tambourin Chinois - Kriesler - Fische Xylophone Rag - Booth/Lamater - Rubank Xylophonia - Green/Witten - Southern

Percussion Ensemble 5/8/90 Gary J. Olmstead, Director Featuring student conductors Overture for Percussion - Beck - Kendor Three Asiatic Dances - Frock - Southern American Patrol - MeacharyHoullif - Kendor Prelude for Four Marimbas - Leonard - Volkwein Chamberpiece for Percussion Quintet - Colgrass - MFP Insignia - Nurss - Manu. Ideation - Gray - Manu. Fariare for Percussion - Helm - MEP Legend - Kreutz - Perc. Arts La l'ille aux Cheveasus de Lin - Debussy/Barton - Permus A Flight of Virtuosity for Six Hand Clappers - Steinke -

SOUTH CAROLINA

Winthrap College

Hamar

Percussion Ensemble 4/5/90 B. Michael Williams, Director Crescendo - Lepak - Windsor Marche alla Turca - Mozart - Peters Quartet Op. 18 No. 1 - Beethoven - Permus Scherzo from Symphony No. 4 - Tchaikovsky - Peters Polica from "The Golden Age" - Shostakovich - Peters Profude and Dance - LoPresti - MFP Chamber Music IV - Suderburg - Presser African Welcome Pice - Udow - U. of Miami

Faculty Recital 4/12/90 B. Michael Williams, Percussion Two Movements for Marimba - Tanaka - Ongaku Illuminations - Coolidge - Kendor Duettino Concertante - Cahl - Tetra Trio - Cage - Peters Forever and Sursmell - Cage - Peters The Wonderful Widow of Eighteen Springs - Cage - Peters A Flower - Cage - Peters Child of Tree - Cage - Peters

TENNESSEE

Memphis - Lindenwood Studio of Percussion

Resident Artist Recital 5/20/90 Stan Head, Director Toccata - Chavez - Belwin Wondrous Cool, Thou Woodland Quiet - Brahms/Neyman - Manu. Rondino - Benson - Marks Music Summer Mood - Dutton - Perc. Arts Encore in Jazz O Firth - Flacher

University of Tennessee

Recital 3/12/89 Mark O'Kain, Percussion Concerto for Percussion and Small Oschestra - Milhaud -Universal Partita in C for 6 Timpani and Orchestra - Druschetsky/ Two Movements for Marimba - Tanaka - Ongaku Divertimento for Marimba and Alto Saxophone - Yuyama -Ongaku Composites for Marimba and Bassoon - Witten - Southern Blues for Gilbert - Glentworth - Zimmerman Duet for Keyboards and Percussion - Serry - Studio 4

Senior Recital 3/28/90 Mark O'Kain, Percussion

Variations on Lost Love - Maslanka - Marimba Prod. Ich Bin Dere Welt Abhanden Gekommen - Mahler/ Werdesheim - Pro Perc. Press Within the Vortex - Wiley - Manu. Deso for Two Marimbas - Wheatley - Studio 4 Fluffy Ruffles - Green/Cahn - Cahn

Recital 4/10/90 Mark O'Kain and West Palmer, Percussionists

Music for a Summer Evening (Makrokosmos III) - Crumb -Peters

TEXAS

Midwestern State University

Band Department Faculty Recital 4/13/89 Alan Black, Marimba and Xylophone Diversions for Flute and Marimba - Tanner - MfP Xylophonia - Green - Leedy

Percussion Ensemble 4/27/89 Alan Black, Director Russian Percussion - Stotesbery - Bramora Foursome - Black - Manu. Nails - Rago - Cirone Taking a Chance: The Dove - Reynolds - Manu. Sabre Dance - Khachaturian/Moore - Permus

Senior Recital 3/1/90 R. Byron Alsap, Percussion Itude for Wooden Idiophones - Schinstine - Creative Monograph IV - Gipson - Studio 4 Sonata for Timpani - Beck - Boston Etude for Latin-American Instruments - Schinstine - Creative Tambourin Chinois - Kriesler - Charles Foley Spanish Dance - Davis - Creath The Whistler - Green - Neverlith Xylophone Rag - Booth/Henry - Manu. Fancy That - Davis - Creative Jazz Variants - Beck - Boston

Recital 3/21/90 Percussion Ensemble, Duncan Tilford, Bryon Alsop, Alan Black, John Speice Nonet - Mckenzie - MFP Cymbalism - Delp - Berklee Press

Polonaise and Allegro - Mozait - meredith Duet - Khachaturian - Meredith 20 Down - Burns - Belwin Etude 1 - Firth - Fischer

Faculty Showcase 4/1/90 Alan Black, Xylophone The Recital Piece - Cahn - Cahn

Ragtime Ensemble 4/17/90 Alan Black, Byron Alsop, Rebel Sanders, Angie Wooldrige, John Speice, Stephanie Beaver Nylophone Rag - Booth/Henry - Manu. Fluffy Ruffles - Green/Cahn - Cahn Dotty Dimples - Green, Arden/Cahn - Cahn

Percussion Ensemble 4/24/90 Alan Black, Director Jazz Variants - Bock - Boston Conversations - Ukena - Southern Mysterious Horse Before the Gate - Hovhaness - Peters Quartet for Papeer Bags - Spivak - Lang Xylophone Rag - BootlyHenry - Manu. Fluffy Ruffles - Green/Cahn - Cahn Dotty Dimples - Green, Arden/Cahn - Cahn Fancy That - Davis - Creative Three Brothers - Colgrass - MFP Encore in Jazz - Firth - Fischer

Sam Houston State University

Recital 4/9/90 James Dolnik, Percussion Festival - Briggs - Dom Demo Model - Johnson - Manu. Encounters IX for Saxophone and Percussion - Kraft - New Music West Colloquy for Alto Saxophone and Percussion - Tull -Boosey & Hawk I'm Thinking About It - Mason - Manu. Linus and Luxy - Guaraldi/Benoit - Manu.

Texas A & I University

Percussion Ensemble 4/19/90 John R. Fluman, Director Overture for Percussion - Beck - Kendor Suite for Keyboard percussion - Slater - OU Perc. Press Streams - Benson - MCA Concerto for Timpani and Percussion Ensemble - Beck -Kundor La Ramba - arr. Cahn - Cahn Blue Tid Bit - Brever - OUPP Backsticking - arr. Costello - Manu.

Senior Recital 4/22/90 Jeri Chartier and Adan Rosa III, Percussi Sonatina for Vibraharp - Stirtz - CIVIP Concerto for Timpani and Percussion Ensemble - Beck -Kendor Carousel - Elster - Manu. In Troubadour Style - Elster - Manu-A Dance - Elster - Manu. Monograph IV - Gipson - Studio 4 Fireworks - O'Reilly - Schirmer Concerts for Percussion - Milhaud - Universal Trilogy for Vibraphone - Huesgen - CMP Backsticking - Costello - Manu

VIRGINIA

Virginia Commonwealth University

Convocation 9/26/89 Greg Giannascoli, James Bartelt, Andy Harnsberger, Percunion Fantary on Japanese Woodprints - Howhaness - Peters Episode for Solo Percussion - Beck - Studio 4 Variations on Lost Love - Maslanka - Marimba Prod.

Recital 10/17/89 James Bartelt, Percussion Monograph IV - Gipson - Studio 4 Sonata for Timpani - Beck - Kendor Episode for Solo Percussion - Back - Studio 4 Lovers - Rorem - Boosey & Hawker Nachtwardler - Schoenberg - Belmont

Percussion Ensemble 12/5/89 Donald Bick, Director African Sketches - Williams - Ludwig Octet for Mallet Instruments - Morris - Permus Xylophonia - Green/Becker - Becker Extremes - Mancini - Kendo Concerto for Timpani and Percussion Ensemble - Beck -Kendor Gainsborough - Gauger - Southern

Recital 1/17/90 Gregory Giannascoll, Marinha Michi - Abe - MFP Andante from the Second Viloin Sonata - Bach - Peters Grand Fantasy in C Major - Helble - Studio 4 Variations on Japanese Children's Songs - Abe - Ongaku Etude Op. 6 No. 9 - Musser - Studio 4

Convocation 2/5/90 Shane Fowlies, James Bartelt, Michael Boyd, Percussion Yellow After the Rain - Poters - Peters Sarabande from Partita in D minor - Bach - Peters Concertino for Marimba - Creston - Schismo

Percussion Ememble 4/24/90 Donald Bick, Director prelucio for Percussion - Del Borgo - Kondor Ancient Voices - Distant Storms - Varner - Southern Twilight Music - Penner - Manu. Trio Facile - Meron - Billaudot Prelucle and Dance - LoFresti - MFP Waltz - Leonard - Leonard Sabre Dance - Khachaturian/Woore - Permus

WEST VIRGINIA

Concord College

Day of Percussion 4/25/90 Performances by the following schools:

Concord College Preparatory Division Percussion Ensemble Joe Barls, Director Comin' Home - Mann/Earls - Manu Characters Three - Moore - Ludwig Chasing the Beat - Grant - Mercury Music

West Virginia State College Percussion Ensemble Pat McCoy, Director Blue Bossa - Durham/McCoy - Manu. My Funny Valentine - Rogers & Hart - Manu. Thing's Ain't What They Used To Be - Ellington/Remonko -

Song for My Father - Silven/McCoy - Manu.

West Virginia Institute of Technology Percussion Ensemble Pat McCoy, Director Symphony No. 1 - Cirone - Adler Ossis - Dagrady/Remonko - Manu.

Killer Joe - Colsor/Remoniko - Mans. Prelude for Four Marimbas - Leonard - Permus

Ohio University Percussion Ensemble Guy Remonko, Director Natty Stick - Namel/Remonko - Manu, La Manaza - Shelley/Remonko - Manu,

Concord College Jazz Percussion Ensemble
Doug Overmier, Director
Takin' II to the Streets - MacDonald/Overmier - Manu.
A Night in Tunisia - Gillespie/Remonko - Manu.
Rendezvous - Samuels - Manu.

WISCONSIN

University of Wisconsin - Whitewater

Percussion Ensemble 5/3/98
Vicki P. Jenks, Director
Ogoun Badagris - Rouse - Helicon
Woven Tales - Spears - Bambouse
Awaken - Anderson & Howe - Manu,
Windfall - Brown - Behvin Mills
8 Combarnchero - Hernandes/Faini - Peer International
Root Beer Rag - Joel/Hellman - Manu.

NETHERLANDS

Sweelinck Conservatory, Amsterdam

Percussion Ensemble 12/12/89
Jim Goeton, Conductor
Sallors Song - Crainger - Crainger
Gamelan anklung - Grainger - Grainger
Gamelan anklung - Grainger - Grainger
Duet for Xylophone and Bass - Sydeman - Peters
3 Dance Sketches - Husa - AMP
William Tell Overture - Rossin/DeVlieger - Manu.
Londondeny Air - trad. - Marnu.
Turkish Manch - Beethoven - Peters
Wielding Day at Trothaugen - Grieg/Condon - Manu.
Dance of the Hours - Pomshielli/Koning - Manu.
Carioca - Yournan/Peters - Manu.
Christmas Medley - Goeton - Manu.
Christmas Medley - Goeton - Manu.

Percussion Ensemble 5/7/90 Jim Gordon, Director Scherzo - Mussorgsky/Vulperhond - Mariu, Motivos de Son - Saguer - Manu, Pictures at an Exhibition - Mussorgsky/DeVlieger -Donemus

SWITZERLAND

Musikschule Baar

Concert 3/13/90
Schlagzeugemeenble der Musikochule Baar
Mike Quinn, Diesctor
Bellwood Six - Tharms - Creative
Lapetti Prince - Grischin - Manu.
Jazz Suite for Saxophone Ouet and Percussion - Schmidt WIM
Divertimento - Planchast - MFP
Sound Poem - Ameele - MFP
Introduction and Samba - Smith - MFP

Message from PAS Secretary Randy Eyles

As secretary of the Percussive Arts Society it is my responsibility to oversee and coordinate all PAS contests. In my final year as Secretary I am delighted to report that all of our contests are run by active and competent committees, and are headed by dedicated and capable leaders. On behalf of the Percussive Arts Society it is a pleasure for me to publicly thank our PAS Contest Committee Chairmen for their exemplary management acumen, perceptive well-defined goals, and organizational excellence.

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This year the Percussion Ensemble Committee has decided to initiate a PAS PERCUSSION ENSEMBLE - CALL FOR TAPES instead of our usual contest. It is hoped that this will encourage more ensembles to participate.

Also this year a new contest, the PAS VAL AND VENUS EDDY COMPOSITION CONTEST will present a woman composer with \$1000 first prize! Every effort will be made to present winners from all PAS contests at PASIC '91 in Los Angeles - a fantastic opportunity for young percussionists. Plan to be a winner and perform at PASIC '91!

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