

- to the masters Henry Purcell and Iannis Xenakis -

# - Oh, my tears! -

for cello and percussion

- version for cello written for Mathis Mayr -

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Slow (♩=about 44)  
and expressive

The musical score consists of three systems of music for cello and percussion. The first system starts with a 5/3 time signature, followed by a 6/3, and then a 4/2. The second system starts with a 3/2, followed by a 6/2, and then a 5/2. The third system starts with a 5/3, followed by a 6/3, and then a 5/2. The score includes dynamic markings such as *ppp*, *p*, *pp*, *p*, *mp*, and *p*. It also includes performance instructions like "2 soft mallets" and "centre". The cello part features various bowing techniques, including *tasto* and *ordinario*. The percussion parts involve the low bass drum and large tam-tam.

\* : to be played generally almost without vibrato but always very expressive;  
the position of the bow can be varied between *tasto* and *ordinario* in order to have better control of dynamics.

rall. - - - A tempo ( $\text{♩}=\text{about } 44$ )

III

cello

*p*pp ————— *p* —————— *p*

7 (centre) → edge centre

low b. dr.

large tam-t.

cello

< *mp* —————— *p* —————— *mp* ——————

9 (centre) → centre

low b. dr.

large tam-t.

cello

— *mp* —————— *pp* ——————

11 (centre) → edge centre

low b. dr.

large tam-t.

a little faster ( $\text{♩}=\text{about } 52$ )

cello

14

**p** —————— **mf** —————— **p**

14 (centre) centre

low b. dr.

14 **pp** —————— **p** ——————

large tam-t.  
14

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cello

16

**pp** —————— **mp** ——————

16 centre edge

low b. dr.

16 **mf** ——————

large tam-t.  
16

rall. ——————

cello

18 (9) 5

**mp** = **p** —————— **mf** = **ppp** —————— **p** ——————

18 edge centre centre

low b. dr.

18 **mp** ——————

large tam-t.  
18 1 soft mallet

a little faster ( $\text{J}=\text{about } 52$ )

cello

21

21 low b. dr. (centre)

21 large tam-t.

21

rall. A tempo ( $\text{J}=\text{about } 52$ )

cello

23

23 low b. dr. (centre) → edge

23 large tam-t.

23

rall. A tempo ( $\text{J}=\text{about } 52$ )

cello

25

25 low b. dr. (centre)

25 large tam-t. damp

25

25 centre

25

a little faster ( $\text{J}=\text{about } 52$ )

cello

27

*p* (centre) *mp* edge

27

large tam-t. l.v.

27

rall. -----, Tempo I° ( $\text{J}=\text{about } 44$ )

cello

29

*ppp* *p* centre edge

29

low b. dr. *mp*

29

large tam-t. damp

29

rall. -----,

cello

32

*mp* *ppp* *p* *pp*

32

low b. dr. edge centre

32

large tam-t. damp

32

Tempo I° ( $\text{J}=\text{about } 44$ )

cello

34

*p*      *mf*      *centre*      *mp*      *l.v.*

34

35

35

35

36

*ppp*      *mp*      *rall.*      *pp*

36

36

37

37

a little faster ( $\text{J}=\text{about } 52$ )*rall.* - - - - ,

38

*pp*      *mp*      *pp*

38

38

39

39

molto rall. - - - - - Tempo I° ( $\text{♩}=\text{about } 44$ )

cello

40

*ppp* ————— *p* —————— *mp* ——————

40

edge ——————

40

large tam-t. l.v. ——————

40

*mp* ——————

rall. - - - - -

cello

42

*mf* —————— *mp* ——————

42

centre —————— centre ——————

42

*mf* —————— *p* —————— *pp* ——————

42

damp —————— l.v. —————— damp ——————

42

*mf* ——————

a little faster ( $\text{♩}=\text{about } 50$ )

cello

44

*mf* —————— *f* —————— *p* —————— *mp* —————— *mf* —————— *p* ——————

44

(centre) —————— edge —————— centre ——————

44

*mp* —————— *mp* ——————

44

damp ——————

rall. - - - - -

cello      46 (p) o.      - .      #p.      (#) o.      #p.      o.

*mp* —————— o      *pp* —————— p      ——————

low b. dr.      46 centre      —————— o      p —————— o

large tam-t.      46 l.v.      damp      —————— o

*pp* —————— o

Tempo I° ( $\text{♩}=\text{about } 44$ )

cello      48 —————— o      3 —————— o      5 —————— o

*mp* —————— o      *mf* —————— o

low b. dr.      48 centre      → edge      edge

large tam-t.      48 damp      —————— o

*mp* —————— o

a little faster ( $\text{♩}=\text{about } 50$ )

cello      50 —————— o      > —————— o      3 —————— o      5 —————— o

*mf* —————— o      *f* —————— o      *p* —————— o      *mp* —————— o      *mf* —————— o      *p* —————— o      *pp* —————— o

low b. dr.      50 (edge) —————— o      centre —————— o      centre —————— o

*mp* —————— o      *p* —————— o      *mf* —————— o

large tam-t.      50 l.v.      damp —————— o      5 —————— o      l.v. —————— o

*mf* —————— o

***molto rall.*** ----- **Tempo I°** ( $\text{J}=\text{about } 44$ )

cello

52

52 (centre)

52 centre

52 centre edge

52 l.v.

52 damp

52 damp

53

cello

55

55 centre

55 rall. ----- edge

55 l.v.

56

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