

Palace of the Snow Queen

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Grade: 2

Duration: 2'56"

Instrumentation

1 – Conductor Score

10 – Flute

2 – Oboe

2 – Bassoon

5 – Clarinet 1

5 – Clarinet 2

2 – Bass Clarinet

4 – Alto Saxophone

2 – Tenor Saxophone

2 – Baritone Saxophone

4 – Trumpet 1

4 – Trumpet 2

4 – Horn in F

6 – Trombone

2 – Baritone (+ 2 T.C.)

4 – Tuba

1 – Timpani

2 – Percussion 1

Snare Drum, Bass Drum

2 – Percussion 2

Triangle, Wind Chimes, Tambourine,
Crash Cymbals, Suspended Cymbals

2 – Mallets

Bells, Chimes

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This piece was inspired by the original fairy tale written by Danish author Hans Christian Andersen. The tale, comprised of seven stories, was first published December 1844. The seventh story opens in the Palace of the Snow Queen, where two young children defeat the evil Queen through the power of love and friendship.

Hans Christian Andersen describes the Snow Queen's Palace, writing...

The walls of the palace were of driving snow, and the windows and doors of cutting winds. There were more than a hundred halls there, according as the snow was driven by the winds. The largest was many miles in extent; all were lighted up by the powerful Aurora Borealis, and all were so large, so empty, so icy cold, and so resplendent! Mirth never reigned there; there was never even a little bear-ball, with the storm for music, while the polar bears went on their hindlegs and showed off their steps. Never a little tea-party of white young lady foxes; vast, cold, and empty were the halls of the Snow Queen. The northern-lights shone with such precision that one could tell exactly when they were at their highest or lowest degree of brightness. In the middle of the empty, endless hall of snow, was a frozen lake; it was cracked in a thousand pieces, but each piece was so like the other, that it seemed the work of a cunning artificer. In the middle of this lake sat the Snow Queen when she was at home; and then she said she was sitting in the Mirror of Understanding, and that this was the only one and the best thing in the world.

-From "The Snow Queen" by Hans Christian Andersen, 1844

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Complete Score

Maestoso ♩ = 112

Flute *f* 2 3 4 rit. // **5** **Misterioso ♩ = 92**

Oboe *f*

B♭ Clarinet 1 *f*

Solo or Soli

B♭ Clarinet 2 *f*

Bass Clarinet *f*

Alto Saxophone *f*

Tenor Saxophone *f*

Baritone Saxophone *f*

F Horn *f*

Maestoso ♩ = 112

B♭ Trumpet 1 *f*

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B♭ Trumpet 2 *f*

Trombone *f*

Baritone B.C. *f*

Tuba *f*

G♭, A♭, B♭ Timpani *f*

Percussion 1 Snare Drum, Bass drum *f*

Percussion 2 Triangle, Wind Chimes, Tambourine, Crash Cymbals, Suspended Cymbal *f*

Crash Cymbals > > > >

Wind Chimes

Mallets Bells, Chimes *f*

Bells

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6 Fl. *pp*

7 Ob.

8 Cl. 1

9 Cl. 2

10 B. Cl. *p*

11 rit. A. Sx. *pp*

T. Sx. *pp*

B. Sx. *pp*

Hn. *pp*

Tpt. 1 Solo *mp* End Solo rit.

Tpt. 2

Tbn. *pp*

Bar. *pp*

Tuba *pp*

Timpani *p*

Perc. 1

Perc. 2 Triangle

Mlts. Chimes

Bells

Fl. // 13 **Moderato** $\text{♩} = 108$

Ob. *mp*

Cl. 1 *mp*

Cl. 2 *mp*

B. Cl. *mp*

A. Sx.

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

Hn.

Tpt. 1 // 13 **Moderato** $\text{♩} = 108$

Tpt. 2

Tbn.

Bar.

Tuba B. Cl. cue *p*

Timpani

Perc. 1

Perc. 2 *f*

Mlts. *mf*

Fl. 18 19 20 , 21 f 22 23

Ob. f

Cl. 1

Cl. 2

B. Cl. mf

A. Sx. f

T. Sx. mf

B. Sx. mf

Hn. f

Tpt. 1 21 div. mp

Tpt. 2 mp

Tbn. mf

Bar. Play

Tuba mf

Tim. mf

Perc. 1

Perc. 2 Crash Cymbals

Mnts.

Fl. 24 25 26 27 28 29 Maestoso

Ob.

Cl. 1

Cl. 2

B. Cl.

A. Sx.

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

Hn.

Tpt. 1

Tpt. 2

Tbn.

Bar.

Tuba

Tim.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2 Suspended Cymbal

Mlts.

The musical score consists of ten staves of music for various instruments. The instruments listed are Flute (Fl.), Oboe (Ob.), Clarinet 1 (Cl. 1), Clarinet 2 (Cl. 2), Bassoon (B. Cl.), Alto Saxophone (A. Sx.), Tenor Saxophone (T. Sx.), Bass Saxophone (B. Sx.), Horn (Hn.), Trumpet 1 (Tpt. 1), Trumpet 2 (Tpt. 2), Trombone (Tbn.), Bass Trombone (Bar.), Tuba, Timpani (Tim.), Percussion 1 (Perc. 1), Percussion 2 (Perc. 2) with a note for 'Suspended Cymbal', and Mutes (Mlts.). The score spans measures 24 through 29. Measure 29 is marked 'Maestoso' and 'unison'. Dynamic markings include **f**, **>**, and **v**. Measure 29 also includes a 'div.' instruction.

Fl. 30 31 32 33 34 35

Ob. ff

Cl. 1 ff

Cl. 2 ff

B. Cl. ff

A. Sx. > ff

T. Sx. > ff

B. Sx. ff

Hn. ff

Tpt. 1 ff

Tpt. 2 ff

Tbn. ff

Bar. ff

Tuba ff

Tim. ff f

Perc. 1 ff Crash Cymbals

Perc. 2 ff

Mlts.

Fl.

Ob.

Cl. 1

Cl. 2

B. Cl.

A. Sx.

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

Hn.

Tpt. 1

Tpt. 2

Tbn.

Bar.

Tuba

Tim.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Mlts.

36 37 // 38 Stately $\text{♩} = 112$ 39 40 41

unison

G \flat down to F

Triangle

Tambourine

Fl. *mf*

Ob. *mf*

Ci. 1 *mf*

Ci. 2 *mf*

B. Cl. *mf*

A. Sx. *mf*

T. Sx. *mf*

B. Sx. *mf*

Hn.

Tpt. 1

Tpt. 2

Tbn. *mf*

Bar. *mf*

Tuba *mf*

Tim. *mf*

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

(Bells)

Mts. *mf*

Triangle
Crash Cymbals
mf
Suspended Cymbal

42 43 44 45 46 47

Fl. 48

Ob. 49

Cl. 1 50

Cl. 2 51

B. Cl. 52

A. Sx. 53 rit.

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

Hn.

Tpt. 1

Tpt. 2

Tbn.

Bar.

Tuba

Timp.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Mlts.

F up to G^b

Triangle

Crash Cymbals

54 Solo or Soli 55 Moderato $\downarrow = 108$ 56 57 58 End Solo 59

Fl. *p* Ob. *p* Cl. 1 *p* Cl. 2 *p* B. Cl. *p* A. Sx. *p* T. Sx. *p* B. Sx. *p* Hn. *p* Tpt. 1 *p* Tpt. 2 *p* Tbn. *p* Bar. *p* Tuba *p* Timp. Perc. 1 Perc. 2 Mlts.

Fl. 60 61 62 rit. 63 **Misteriosos** $\downarrow = 92$ 64 65

Ob.

Cl. 1

Cl. 2

B. Cl. **p**

A. Sx.

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

Hn.

rit. 63 **Misteriosos** $\downarrow = 92$

Tpt. 1

Tpt. 2

Tbn.

Bar.

Tuba **p**

Timpani

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Mlts. **mf**

Fl. 66, 67, 68, 69 rit., 70, 71

Ob. mp, p

Cl. 1, 2, B. Cl. p, p, p

A. Sx. p, p, p

T. Sx. p, p

B. Sx. p, p

Hn. p

Tpt. 1 Solo mp, End Solo rit. p

Tpt. 2 p

Tbn. p, p

Bar. p, p

Tuba p

Timpani p

Perc. 1 p, Wind Chimes, Triangle

Perc. 2 Crash Cymbals, Chimes, Bells, Mlts. p