

Full Score

Rhythm Herd

For 4 Sopranos and Alto Recorder

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Rhythm Herd

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1. Rhythm Is An Escaped Herd

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Allegro ♩ = 120

Alto Recorder

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Soprano 1

Rhy- thm, hor- ses, the scream,

Soprano 2

Is an es- caped herd, thun- der- ing ter- ri- fied south, _____ and whin ny, _

Soprano 3

Is an es- caped herd, thun- der- ing ter- ri- fied south, _____ and whin ny, _

Allegro ♩ = 120

Soprano 4

Is an es- caped herd, thun- der- ing ter- ri- fied south, _____ and whin ny, _

4

A. Rec.

S.1

cra-ckle thun-der- ing ter-ri- fied south, _____ and whin ny, _____ is an es- caped herd,

S.2

— cra-ckle rhy- thm, hor- ses, the scream,

S.3

— cra-ckle thun-der- ing ter-ri- fied south, _____ and whin ny, _____ is an es- caped herd,

S.4

— thun-der- ing ter-ri- fied south, _____ and whin ny, _____ is an es- caped herd,

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A. Rec. 

S.1  cra-ckle and whin ny, _____ is an es-caped herd,

S.2  cra-ckle cra-ckle and whin ny, _____ is an es-caped herd,

S.3  cra-ckle cra-ckle and whin ny, _____ is an es-caped herd,

S.4  cra-ckle rhy- thm, hor- ses,

12

A. Rec.  **A**

S.1  thun-der-ing ter - ri- fied south, _____ cra-ckle **A** cra-ckle of the fire,

S.2  thun-der-ing ter - ri- fied south, _____ cra-ckle cra-ckle of the fire,

S.3  thun-der-ing ter - ri- fied south, _____ cra-ckle cra-ckle of the fire,

S.4  the scream, _____ cra-ckle **A** cra-ckle cra-ckle of the fire,

A. Rec.
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S.1



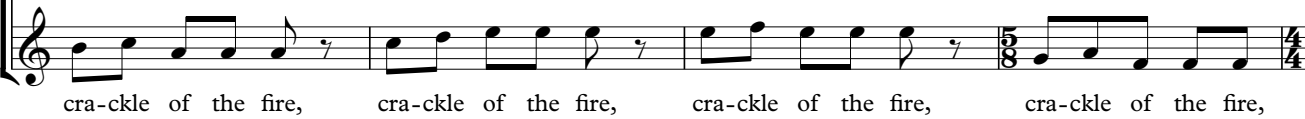
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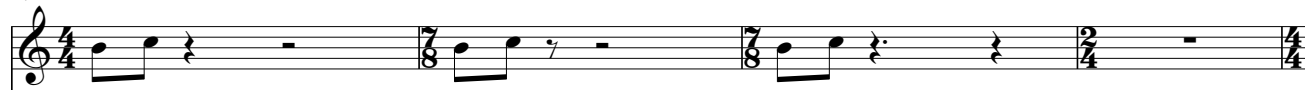
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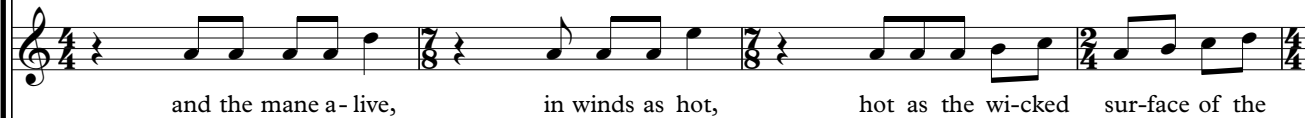
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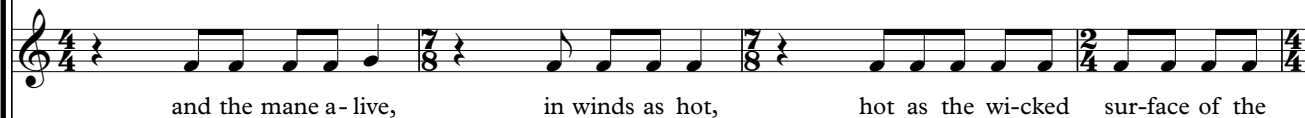
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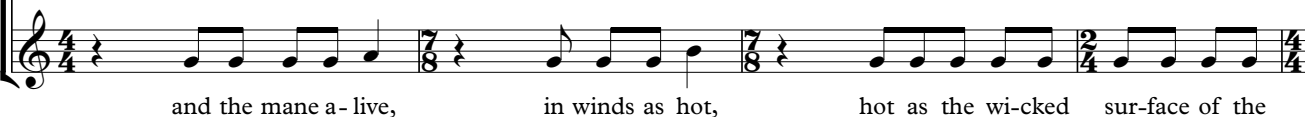
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S.3



S.4



23 **B** *mf*

A. Rec. 

S.1 *mf*
hot as the wi-cked sur-face of the heart, hot as the wi-cked sur-face of

S.2 *mf*
heart, hot as the wi-cked sur-face of the heart, hot as the wi-cked

S.3 *mf*
heart, hot as the wi-cked sur-face of the heart, hot as

S.4 **B** *mf*
heart, hot as the wi-cked sur-face of the heart,

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A. Rec. 


S.1
the heart, hot as the wi-cked sur-face of the heart,

S.2
sur-face of the heart, hot as the wi-cked sur-face of the heart,

S.3
the wi-cked sur-face of the heart, hot as the wi-cked sur-face of the heart,


S.4
hot as the wi-cked sur-face of the heart, hot as the wi-cked sur-face

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A. Rec. 

S.1  hot as the wi-cked sur-face of the heart, rhy- thm,

S.2  hot as the wi-cked sur-face of the heart, and the mane-a-live,

S.3  hot as the wi-cked sur-face of the heart, and the mane-a-live,

S.4  of the heart, hot as the wi-cked sur-face of the heart, and the mane-a-live,

32

A. Rec.  **C** *mf*


S.1  rhy- thm, *f* rhy- thm, and the mane a - live, *mf* hot as the wi-cked sur-


S.2  in winds as hot, *f* and the mane a - live, *mf* hot as the

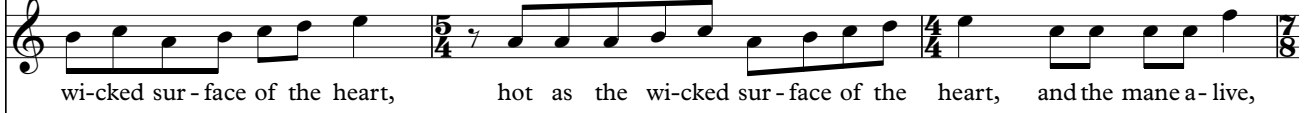
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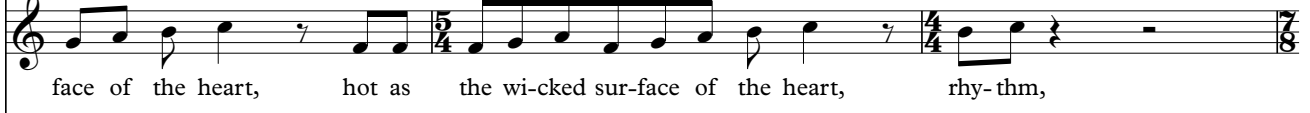
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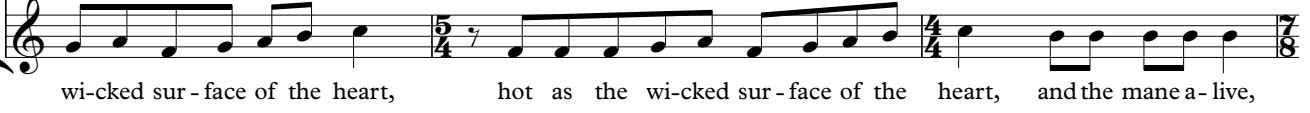
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A. Rec. 

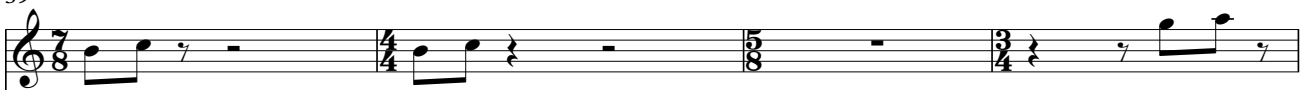
S.1  face of the heart, hot as the wi-cked sur-face of the heart, rhy- thm,


S.2  wi-cked sur - face of the heart, hot as the wi-cked sur - face of the heart, and the mane a - live,

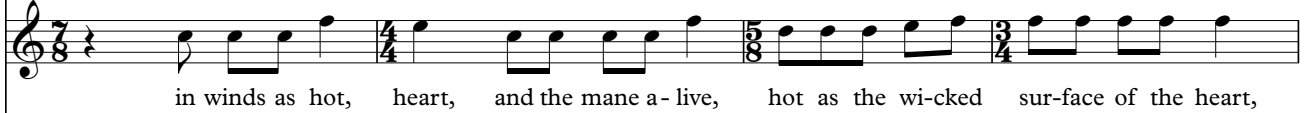
S.3  face of the heart, hot as the wi-cked sur-face of the heart, rhy- thm,


S.4  wi-cked sur - face of the heart, hot as the wi-cked sur - face of the heart, and the mane a - live,

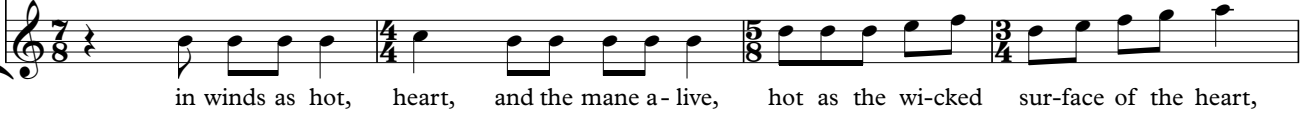
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A. Rec. 

S.1  rhy- thm, rhy- thm, hot as the wi-cked sur-face of the heart,

S.2  in winds as hot, heart, and the mane a - live, hot as the wi-cked sur-face of the heart,

S.3  rhy- thm, rhy- thm, hot as the wi-cked sur-face of the heart,

S.4  in winds as hot, heart, and the mane a - live, hot as the wi-cked sur-face of the heart,

43

A. Rec. *cresc.*

S.1 *cresc.*
sur-face of the heart, sur-face of the heart, sur-face of the heart, rhy- thm,

S.2 *cresc.*
sur-face of the heart, sur-face of the heart, sur-face of the heart, hot as the wi ckd

S.3 *cresc.*
sur-face of the heart, sur-face of the heart, sur-face of the heart, hot as the wi ckd

S.4 *cresc.*
sur-face of the heart, sur-face of the heart, sur-face of the heart, hot as the wi ckd

47

A. Rec. **D**

S.1 **D**
rhy- thm, rhy- thm, rhy- thm, hot as the wi-cked sur-face of the heart,

S.2 hot as the wi-cked hot as the wi-cked hot as the wi-cked sur-face of the heart,

S.3 hot as the wi-cked hot as the wi-cked hot as the wi-cked sur-face of the heart,

S.4 **D**
hot as the wi-cked hot as the wi-cked hot as the wi-cked sur-face of the heart,

51

A. Rec.

S.1
rhy- thm, rhy- thm, rhy- thm,

S.2
hot as the wi- cked hot as the wi- cked hot as the wi- cked

S.3
hot as the wi- cked hot as the wi- cked hot as the wi- cked

S.4
hot as the wi- cked hot as the wi- cked hot as the wi- cked

54

A. Rec.

ff

S.1
rhy- thm, hot as the wi- cked *ff* sur- face of the heart, *mp* sur- face of the heart.

S.2
hot as the wi- cked *ff* sur- face of the heart, *mp* sur- face of the heart.

S.3
hot as the wi- cked *ff* sur- face of the heart, *mp* sur- face of the heart.

S.4
hot as the wi- cked *ff* sur- face of the heart, *mp* sur- face of the heart.

2. Singers Break Open The Gate

59 **E** **Allegro** ♩ = 126

A. Rec. 

E **Allegro** ♩ = 126

mf

S.1  Sin-gers break o pen the gate, sin-gers break o pen the gate,

S.2  Sin-gers break o pen the gate, sin-gers break o pen the gate,

S.3  Sin-gers break o pen the gate, sin-gers break o pen the gate,

E **Allegro** ♩ = 126

S.4  Sin-gers break o pen the gate, sin-gers break o pen the gate,

64  *flz* *flz* *flz* *flz* *flz* *flz*

A. Rec. 

S.1  sin-gers break o-pen the gate, sin-gers break o-pen the gate,

S.2  sin-gers break o-pen the gate, sin-gers break o-pen the gate,

S.3  sin-gers break o-pen the gate, sin-gers break o-pen the gate,

S.4  sin-gers break o-pen the gate, sin-gers break o-pen the gate,

F

70

A. Rec. *flz* *flz* *flz* *flz* *flz* *flz*

S.1 *flz* *flz* *flz* *flz* *flz* *flz*

S.2

S.3

S.4

sin-gers break o-pen the gate, sin-gers break o-pen the gate, sin-gers break o

sin-gers break o-pen the gate, sin-gers break o-pen the gate, sin-gers break o

sin-gers break o-pen the gate, sin-gers break o-pen the gate, sin-gers break o

sin-gers break o-pen the gate, sin-gers break o-pen the gate, sin-gers break o

F

76

A. Rec. *flz* *flz* *flz* *flz* *flz* *flz*

S.1 *flz* *flz* *flz* *flz* *flz* *flz*

S.2

S.3

S.4

pen the gate, sin-gers break o-pen the gate, rrr c c sin-gers

pen the gate, sin-gers break o-pen the gate, c rrr c

pen the gate, sin-gers break o-pen the gate, c sin-gers break o-pen the gate,

pen the gate, sin-gers break o-pen the gate, sin-gers break o-pen the gate, c rrr

A. Rec.

S.1

S.2

S.3

S.4

A. Rec.

S.1

S.2

S.3

S.4

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A. Rec. *flz* *flz* *flz* **G**

S.1 *f* **G**

S.2 *f* *c c c c*

S.3 *f* *c c c c*

S.4 *f* **G** *rrr, rrr,*

sin-gers break o-pen the gate,
 sin-gers break o-pen the gate,
 break o-pen the gate, sin-gers break o-pen the gate,
 break o-pen the gate, sin-gers break o-pen the gate, rrr, rrr,

94

A. Rec.

S.1

S.2 *c c c c c c c c*

S.3 *c c c c c c c c*

S.4 *rrr, rrr, rrr, rrr, rrr, rrr,*

100

A. Rec. *flz*

S.1 a a a a a a

S.2 c rrr,crack of wood, the herd es- capes, c rrr,crack of wood, the herd es- capes, c rrr,

S.3 c rrr,crack of wood, the herd es- capes, c rrr,crack of wood, the herd es- capes, c rrr,

S.4 c rrr,crack of wood, the herd es- capes, c rrr,crack of wood, the herd es- capes, c rrr,

105

A. Rec. *flz*


S.1 a a a a

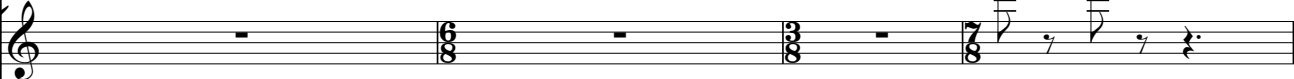
S.2 crack of wood, the herd es- capes, c rrr, crack of wood, the herd es- capes, c rrr,


S.3 crack of wood, the herd es- capes, c rrr, crack of wood, the herd es- capes, c rrr,


S.4 crack of wood, the herd es- capes, c rrr, crack of wood, the herd es- capes, c rrr,


109

A. Rec. 


S.1 
a a


S.2 
crack of wood, the herd es- capes, herd es- capes, herd es- capes, herd es- capes, c rrr,


S.3 
crack of wood, the herd es- capes, herd es- capes, herd es- capes, herd es- capes, c rrr,


S.4 
crack of wood, the herd es- capes, herd es- capes, herd es- capes, herd es- capes, c rrr,


113

A. Rec. 

S.1 
a a crack of wood,

S.2 
crack of wood, the herd es- capes, c rrr, crack of wood, the herd es- capes crack of wood,

S.3 
crack of wood, the herd es- capes, c rrr, crack of wood, the herd es- capes crack of wood,

S.4 
crack of wood, the herd es- capes, c rrr, crack of wood, the herd es- capes crack of wood,

117 *flz* **H**

A. Rec.

S.1 *mp* **H**
crack of wood,

S.2
crack of wood,

S.3
crack of wood,

S.4 **H**
crack of wood,

124

A. Rec.

S.1 *mp*
the hors - es of the hu-man heart,

S.2 *mp*
the hors - es of the hu-man heart, the hors - es of

S.3 *mp*
the hors - es of the hu-man heart,

S.4 *mp*
the hors - es of the hu-man heart,

129

A. Rec.

S.1

S.2

S.3

S.4

the hors - es of the hu-man heart,

the hu-man heart,

the hu-man

the hors - es of the hu-man heart,

the hors - es of the hu-man heart,

133

A. Rec.

S.1

S.2

S.3

S.4

the hu-man heart,

the hu-man

heart,

the hu-man heart,

the hu-man heart,

the hors-es of the hu-man heart,

the hors-es of the hu-man heart,

138

A. Rec. *cresc.*

S.1 *cresc.*
heart, the hors - es of the hu-man heart, the hu-man heart,

S.2 *cresc.*
the hors - es of the hu-man heart, the hu-man heart,

S.3 *cresc.*
the hors - es of the hu-man heart, the hu-man

S.4 *cresc.*
the hors - es of the hu-man heart, the hu-man heart, the hu-man

142

A. Rec. **I**

S.1 **I** *f*
the hu-man heart, the hors - es of the hu-man heart, the hors - es of the hu-man heart,

S.2 *f*
the hu-man heart, the hors - es of the hu-man heart, the hors - es of the hu-man heart,

S.3 *f*
heart, the hors - es of the hu-man heart, the hors - es of the hu-man heart,

S.4 **I** *f*
heart, the hors - es of the hu-man heart, the hors - es of the hu-man heart,

147

A. Rec. *dim.*

S.1 *dim.*
the hu-man heart, _____ c c c c c c

S.2 *dim.*
the hu-man heart, _____ c c c c c

S.3 *dim.*
the hu-man heart, _____ c c c

S.4 *dim.*
the hu-man heart, _____ c c

152

A. Rec. **J**

S.1 **J** *sempre mp*
c c c cap - tive, _____ cap - tive, _____ cap - tive, _____

S.2 *sempre mp*
c c c cap - tive, _____ cap - tive, _____ cap - tive, _____

S.3 *sempre mp*
c c c cap - tive, _____ cap - tive, _____ cap - tive, _____

S.4 **J** *sempre mp*
c c c cap - tive, _____ cap - tive, _____ cap - tive, _____

158

A. Rec. *sempre mp* *sub f*

S.1 *sempre mp* *sub f*
che - ri - - - sh'd, thun-der-ing, joy-ous south.

S.2 *sempre mp* *sub f*
che - ri - - - sh'd, thun-der-ing, joy-ous south.

S.3 *sempre mp* *sub f*
che - ri - - - sh'd, thun-der-ing, joy-ous south.

S.4 *sempre mp* *sub f*
che - ri - - - sh'd, thun-der-ing, joy-ous south.

3. Cor Contritum Quasi Cinis

164 **K** Lento ♩ = 66

A. Rec.

S.1 **K** Lento ♩ = 66 *mf*
The heart dis solved to ash - es,

S.2 *p*
The heart dis solved to (a)sh (e)s, The heart is w -

S.3 *p*
The heart dis solved to (a)sh (e)s, The heart is w -

S.4 **K** Lento ♩ = 66 *p*
The heart dis solved to (a)sh (e)s, The heart is w -

170

A. Rec.

S.1

The heart is wa - ter, to ash-es, the heart dis solved

S.2

- a - ter, _____ *p* the heart dis solved _____ to (a)sh (e)s, _____

S.3

- a - ter, _____ *p* the heart dis solved _____ to (a)sh (e)s, _____

S.4

- a - ter, _____ *p* the heart dis solved _____ to (a)sh (e)s, _____

177

A. Rec.

S.1

to ash-es, the heart is wa - ter, the heart is

S.2

the heart is w - a - ter, _____ the heart dis solved _____

S.3

the heart is w - a - ter, _____ the heart dis solved _____

S.4

the heart is w - a - ter, _____ the heart dis solved _____

184

A. Rec.

S.1

S.2

S.3

S.4

191

A. Rec.

S.1

S.2

S.3

S.4

197

A. Rec.

S.1

S.2

S.3

S.4

to (a)sh (e)s, _____ the heart is w - a - ter, _____ The heart f - ar,

to (a)sh (e)s, _____ the heart is w - a - ter, _____ The heart f - ar,

to (a)sh (e)s, _____ the heart is w - a - ter, _____ The heart f - ar,

to (a)sh (e)s, _____ the heart is w - a - ter, _____ The heart f - ar,

203

A. Rec.

S.1

S.2

S.3

S.4

ar, f - ar, f - ar, _____ south, _____

— f - ar, — f - south, _____

— f - ar, — f - ar, _____ south, _____

— f - ar, — f - ar, _____ south, _____

209 **M**

A. Rec. 

S.1 **M**
the heart dis solved — to (a)sh (e)s, —

S.2
the heart dis solved — to (a)sh (e)s, —

S.3
the heart dis solved — to (a)sh (e)s, —

S.4 **M**
the heart dis solved — to (a)sh (e)s, —

214 **N**

A. Rec. 

S.1 **N** *mp*
the heart is wa - ter, — the heart dis solved to ash - es, the heart is wa - ter,

S.2
the heart is wa - ter, —

S.3
the heart is wa - ter, —

S.4 **N**
the heart is wa - ter, —

221

A. Rec. *f*

S.1 *mp*
f - ar, f - ar, f - ar, south,

S.2 *mp*
f - ar, f - ar, f - south,

S.3 *mp*
f - ar, f - ar, f - ar, south,

S.4 *mp*
f - ar, f - ar, f - ar, south,

228

A. Rec. *dim.* **O**

S.1 *mf molto dim. legato*
O
is thun-der - ing rain - fall, thun-der - ing rain-fall, thun-der-

S.2 *mf molto dim. legato*
is thun-der - ing rain - fall, thun - der - ing rain - fall, thun-

S.3 *mf molto dim. legato*
is thun-der - ing rain-fall, thun - der - ing rain - fall,

S.4 *mf molto dim. legato*
O
is thun - der - ing rain - fall, thun-der - ing rain-

233

A. Rec.

S.1

S.2

S.3

S.4

237

A. Rec.

flz (breathy)

S.1

S.2

S.3

S.4