

Xerxes

a concert march

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Instrumentation

Piccolo
2 Flutes (can be doubled)
Oboe (can be doubled)
2 Bassoons
Contrabassoon

Clarinet in Eb
3 Clarinets in Bb
2 Bass Clarinets in Bb
Contrabass Clarinet in Bb

Soprano Sax
Alto Sax
Tenor Sax
Baritone Sax

3 Trumpets in Bb
4 French Horns
4 Trombones (minimum of 3 Tenor, 1 Bass; additional players may be added)
Euphonium (2 preferred)
Tuba (2 or more preferred)

Percussion (7 players)

- Player 1: Timpani (4 standard drums)
- Player 2: Xylophone, Marimba, Tambourine
- Player 3: Crash Cymbals, Crotales (only Bb and F are needed), and Tambourine
- Player 4: Suspended Crash Cymbal, Small China, Large China, Small Tam-Tam *,
Bell Plate on top of Brake Drum **, Triangle (see key)
- Player 5: Snare Drum
- Player 6: Tam-Tam and Large Tom-Tom
- Player 7: Bass Drum



* Tam-tam should be a size that is easily played "secco," with almost immediate attack and equally quick choke time. Do NOT use a China cymbal; the sound required must be richer and lower in relative pitch than a China cymbal. If a small or medium tam-tam does not work well, a wind gong or comparable gong can be substituted. Note that the beater that you use for this tam-tam will also be used on the cymbals.

** Place a bell plate on top of a brake drum, and strike the brake drum with a claw hammer or other metal beater. A "bell plate" is requested because it is extremely resonant. Do NOT simply put any piece of metal on top of the brake drum. Bell plates are ideal because of their resonance, and because their weight is good for this effect. (The bell plate, when struck, will buzz very briefly against the top of the brake drum, but should be too heavy to actually bounce off.)

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Picc. *ff* *tr* *tr*

Fl. 1 *ff* *tr* *tr*

Fl. 2 *ff* *tr* *tr*

Ob. *ff*

Bsn. *f*

C. Bn. *f*

E♭ Cl. *ff* *tr* *tr*

Clar. 1 *ff* *tr* *tr*

Clar. 2-3 *ff* *tr* *tr*

Bs. Cl. *f*

Cb. Cl. *f*

S. Sx. *f*

A. Sx. *f*

T. Sx. *f*

B. Sx. *f*

Tpt. 1 *ff* *rip* *rip*

Tpt. 2-3 *ff* *rip* *rip*

Horn 1-2 *ff* *a2* *rip* *rip*

Horn 3-4 *ff* *a2* *rip* *rip*

Tbn. 1 *f*

Tbn. 2 *f*

Tbn. 3-4 *f*

Eup. *ff*

Tuba *f*

B

Timp. *ff* *f*

Xylo *mf*

Cymb. *mf*

Perc. *f*

Snare *f*

Tam-Tam *f*

BD *f*

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Picc. *f* *3*

Fl. 1 *f* *3*

Fl. 2

Ob.

Bsn. *cresc.*

C. Bn. *cresc.*

E♭ Cl. *ff*

Clar. 1 *ff* *mf* *cresc.*

Clar. 2-3 *ff* *mf* *cresc.*

Bs. Cl. *cresc.*

Cb. Cl. *cresc.*

S. Sx. *fp* *ff* *mf* *cresc.*

A. Sx. *cresc.*

T. Sx. *cresc.*

B. Sx. *cresc.*

Tpt. 1 *fp* *ff* *f* *cresc.*

Tpt. 2-3 *ff* *ff* *f* *cresc.*

Horn 1-2 *rip* *f*

Horn 3-4 *rip* *f*

Tbn. 1 *f* *cresc.*

Tbn. 2 *f* *cresc.*

Tbn. 3-4 *f* *cresc.*

Eup. *f* *cresc.*

Tuba *f* *cresc.*

Timp.

Xylo. *3* *6*

Cymb. *ff*

Perc.

Snare *f* *3* *3* *6*

Tam-Tam *mf* *cresc.* *3* *6* *3* *3*

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Picc. *f* *ff*
 Fl. 1 *ff*
 Fl. 2 *ff*
 Ob. *ff*
 Bsn. *ff*
 C. Bn. *ff*
 E♭ Cl. *f* *ff*
 Clar. 1 *ff*
 Clar. 2-3 *ff*
 Bs. Cl. *ff*
 Cb. Cl. *ff*
 S. Sx. *tr*
 A. Sx. *tr*
 T. Sx. *ff*
 B. Sx. *ff*
 Tpt. 1 *f* *ff*
 Tpt. 2-3 *f*
 Horn 1-2 *ff*
 Horn 3-4 *ff*
 Tbn. 1 *ff*
 Tbn. 2 *ff*
 Tbn. 3-4 *ff*
 Euph. *ff*
 Tuba *ff*
 Timp. *ff*
 Xylo. *mf* *ff*
 Cymb. *f*
 Perc. *ff*
 Snare *ff*
 Tam-Tam *f*
 BD *ff*

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Picc.

Fl. 1

Fl. 2

Ob.

Bsn.

C. Bn.

E♭ Cl.

Clar. 1

Clar. 2-3

Bs. Cl.

Cb. Cl.

S. Sx.

A. Sx.

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

Tpt. 1

Tpt. 2-3

Horn 1-2

Horn 3-4

Tbn. 1

Tbn. 2

Tbn. 3-4

Eup.

Tuba

Timp.

Xylo

Cymb.

Perc.

Snare

Tam-Tam

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Picc. *mf*

Fl. 1 *p*

Fl. 2 *p*

Ob. *mf*

Bsn. *p*

C. Bn. *p*

E♭ Cl. *p*

Clar. 1 *p*

Clar. 2-3 *p*

Bs. Cl. *p*

Cb. Cl. *p*

S. Sx. *mf*

A. Sx. *mf*

T. Sx.

B. Sx. *p*

Tpt. 1

Tpt. 2-3

Horn 1-2 *n.*

Horn 3-4

Tbn. 1

Tbn. 2

Tbn. 3-4

Eup.

Tuba

Timp.

Mba. *mp*

Crot.

Perc.

Snare *mp*

Tam-Tam *mp* *pp* *mp* *p* *p* *mp*

BD *p*

scrape, sim.

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Picc. *mp*

Fl. 1

Fl. 2

Ob.

Bsn. *p*

C. Bn. *mp*

E♭ Cl. *mp*

Clar. 1

Clar. 2-3

Bs. Cl. *mp*

Cb. Cl. *mp*

S. Sx. *mp*

A. Sx. *mp*

T. Sx. *mf*

B. Sx. *pp* *mp*

Tpt. 1

Tpt. 2-3

Horn 1-2

Horn 3-4

Tbn. 1 *ppp* *con sord.* *practice mute*

Tbn. 2 *ppp* *con sord.* *practice mute*

Tbn. 3-4 *ppp*

Eup.

Tuba

Timp.

Mba. *mf*

Crot.

Perc.

Snare

Tam-Tam *pp* *scrape, sim.* *mp* **Large Tom** *mp*

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Picc. *mf*

Fl. 1

Fl. 2

Ob. *mf*

Bsn. *poco a poco cresc.*

C. Bn.

E♭ Cl.

Clar. 1 *mf*

Clar. 2-3 *mf*

Bs. Cl. *mf*

Cb. Cl. *mf*

S. Sx. *poco a poco cresc.*

A. Sx. *poco a poco cresc.*

T. Sx. *poco a poco cresc.*

B. Sx. *poco a poco cresc.*

Tpt. 1

Tpt. 2-3

Horn 1-2 *mf* (stopped mute if available)

Horn 3-4 *mf* (stopped mute if available)

Tbn. 1

Tbn. 2

Tbn. 3-4

Eup.

Tuba

Timp. *mf*

Mba.

Tamb. *f* *mf*

Perc.

Snare *mf*

Tom Tom

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Picc. *f* *mf* 6 5

Fl. 1 *f* *mf* 6 5

Fl. 2 *ff* 5

Ob. *ff* 5

Bsn. *mf* *cresc.*

C. Bn. *mf* *cresc.*

E♭ Cl. *mf* 6 5

Clar. 1 *mf* *cresc.* *mf* 6 5

Clar. 2-3 *mf* *cresc.* a2

Bs. Cl. *mf* *cresc.*

Cb. Cl. *mf* *cresc.*

S. Sx. 6 5

A. Sx. 6 5

T. Sx. 6 5

B. Sx. *mf* *cresc.* 6 5

Tpt. 1

Tpt. 2-3

Horn 1-2 *mp* *f* *p* *p* *senza sord* *mp* *f*

Horn 3-4 *p* *senza sord* *mp* *f*

Tbn. 1 *mp* *f*

Tbn. 2 *mp* *f*

Tbn. 3-4 *mp* *f* 3.

Eup.

Tuba *f*

Timp. *J*

Mba. *mf* Tambourine

Tamb. *mf*

Perc.

Snare *f* snares on

Tom Tom *f*

BD *f*

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Picc. *ff*

Fl. I *ff*

Fl. 2

Ob.

Bsn. *f*

C. Bn. *f*

E♭ Cl. *ff*

Clar. I *ff*

Clar. 2-3 *ff*

Bs. Cl. *f*

Cb. Cl. *f*

S. Sx. *ff*

A. Sx. *ff*

T. Sx. *ff*

B. Sx. *f*

Tpt. I *ff* con sord. straight

Tpt. 2-3 *ff* con sord. straight

Horn 1-2 *f* a2

Horn 3-4 *f* a2

Tbn. 1

Tbn. 2

Tbn. 3-4

Eup. *f*

Tuba

Timp. *f*

Tamb. *f*

Cymb. *f* Cymbals

Perc. *f*

Snare

Tom Tom

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Picc.

Fl. 1

Fl. 2

Ob.

Bsn.

C. Bn.

E♭ Cl.

Clar. 1

Clar. 2-3

Bs. Cl.

Cb. Cl.

S. Sx.

A. Sx.

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

Tpt. 1

Tpt. 2-3

Horn 1-2

Horn 3-4

Tbn. 1

Tbn. 2

Tbn. 3-4

Eup.

Tuba

Timp.

Xylo

Cymb.

Perc.

Snare

Tam-Tam

BD

tr

f

ff

rip

3

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Picc. *f* *mf* *cresc.*

Fl. 1 *f* *mf* *cresc.*

Fl. 2

Ob. *ff* *mf* *cresc.*

Bsn. *mf* *cresc.*

C. Bn. *mf* *cresc.*

E♭ Cl. *ff* *mf* *cresc.*

Clar. I *ff* *mf* *cresc.*

Clar. 2-3 *ff* *mf* *cresc.*

Bs. Cl. *mf* *cresc.*

Cb. Cl. *mf* *cresc.*

S. Sx. *fp* *ff* *mf* *cresc.*

A. Sx. *mf* *cresc.*

T. Sx. *mf* *cresc.*

B. Sx. *mf* *cresc.*

Tpt. 1 *ff* *f* *cresc.*

Tpt. 2-3 *ff* *f* *cresc.*

Horn 1-2 *rip* *ff* *f*

Horn 3-4 *rip* *ff* *f*

Tbn. 1 *f* *cresc.*

Tbn. 2 *f* *cresc.*

Tbn. 3-4 *mf* *cresc.*

Eup. *f* *cresc.*

Tuba *cresc.*

Timp.

Xylo. *f*

Cymb.

Perc.

Snare *f*

Tam-Tam *mf* *cresc.*

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Picc. *f* *ff*
 Fl. I *ff*
 Fl. 2 *ff*
 Ob. *ff*
 Bsn. *ff*
 C. Bn. *ff*
 E♭ Cl. *f* *ff*
 Clar. I *ff*
 Clar. 2-3 *ff*
 Bs. Cl. *ff*
 Cb. Cl. *ff*
 S. Sx. *tr*
 A. Sx. *tr*
 T. Sx. *ff*
 B. Sx. *ff*
 Tpt. I *f* *ff*
 Tpt. 2-3 *f*
 Horn 1-2 *ff*
 Horn 3-4 *ff*
 Tbn. 1 *ff*
 Tbn. 2 *ff*
 Tbn. 3-4 *ff*
 Eup. *ff*
 Tuba *ff*
 Timp. *ff*
 Xylo. *mf* *ff*
 Cymb. *f*
 Perc. *ff*
 Snare *ff* (be sure not to overpower brass texture)
 Tam-Tam *f*
 BD *ff*

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Picc.

Fl. 1

Fl. 2

Ob.

Bsn.

C. Bn.

E♭ Cl.

Clar. 1

Clar. 2-3

Bs. Cl.

Cb. Cl.

S. Sx.

A. Sx.

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

Tpt. 1

Tpt. 2-3

Horn 1-2

Horn 3-4

Tbn. 1

Tbn. 2

Tbn. 3-4

Eup.

Tuba

Timp.

Xylo

Cymb.

Perc.

Snare

Tam-Tam

BD

Picc. *ff* *poco a poco cresc.*

Fl. 1 *ff* *poco a poco cresc.*

Fl. 2 *ff* *poco a poco cresc.*

Ob. *f* *poco a poco cresc.*

Bsn. *f* *poco a poco cresc.*

C. Bn. *f* *poco a poco cresc.*

E♭ Cl. *f* *poco a poco cresc.*

Clar. 1 *f* *poco a poco cresc.*

Clar. 2-3 *ff* *poco a poco cresc.*

Bs. Cl. *f* *poco a poco cresc.*

Cb. Cl. *f* *poco a poco cresc.*

S. Sx. *f* *poco a poco cresc.*

A. Sx. *f* *poco a poco cresc.*

T. Sx. *f* *poco a poco cresc.*

B. Sx. *f* *poco a poco cresc.*

Tpt. 1 *f* *cresc.*

Tpt. 2-3 *f* *cresc.*

Horn 1-2 *f* *poco a poco cresc.*

Horn 3-4 *f* *poco a poco cresc.*

Tbn. 1 *f* *poco a poco cresc.*

Tbn. 2 *f* *poco a poco cresc.*

Tbn. 3-4 *f* *poco a poco cresc.*

Eup. *f* *poco a poco cresc.*

Tuba *f* *poco a poco cresc.*

Timp. *ff* *f* *poco a poco cresc.*

Xylo. *ff* *f* *cresc.*

Cymb. *ff* *f*

Perc. *mf* *poco a poco cresc.*

Snare *ff* *mf* *poco a poco cresc.*

Tam-Tam *ff* *mf* *poco a poco cresc.*

BD *ff* *mf* *poco a poco cresc.*

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