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Duration: LMNF, 1:20 MC, 1:45

I attended a macrobiotic meeting in Boston in 1979 where there was to be an entertainment at the end given by attendees. I quickly wrote *Little Miss Nonfat* as a composition that anyone who could read music could perform. However, my search for performers was in vain. In the spring of 1982 I was back in school at NTSU in Denton Texas, studying physics and math, and wrote *Math Class* out of that experience. Both are inspired by the “Geographical Fugue” of Ernst Toch.

Both these works have been greatly expanded and arranged for chorus and orchestra, and are now incorporated into *Strange Songs*.

Performance notes:

The parts labeled A, B, C and D indicate the natural pitch of the voices, with A highest and D lowest. This does not necessarily correspond to SATB, as any group may perform the pieces. Also, any number of voices may be on each part; it works quite well with just four voices. Theatrics, overacting, and inappropriate venues are encouraged.

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$\bullet = 100$

Allegro macroneurotico

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2/4 Lit-tle Miss **3/4** Lit-tle Miss Non - fat **2/4** sat sat sat **3/4** sat on her Tom-cat

2/4 Lit-tle Miss **3/4** Lit-tle Miss Non - fat **2/4** sat sat sat **3/4** sat on her Tom-cat

2/4 pooh bah **3/4** oom pah pooh bah sat **2/4** sat sat sat **3/4** sat on her Tom-cat oom pah Per cy Grain ger

2/4 Oh, Oh, **3/4** Oh, Oh, Oh, **2/4** sat sat sat **3/4** sat on her Tom-cat Per cy Grain ger

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A $\text{H } \frac{3}{4}$ sat *ff* sat on her Tom cat Per-cy Grain ger born in a man ger $\frac{3}{4}$

B $\text{H } \frac{3}{4}$ sat *ff* sat on her Tom cat Al catraz may hem $\frac{3}{4}$

C $\text{H } \frac{3}{4}$ sat *ff* sat on her Tom cat Al catraz may hem $\frac{3}{4}$

D $\text{H } \frac{3}{4}$ oom pah pooh bah Per cy Grain ger oom pah pooh bah *ff* $\frac{3}{4}$

p Grain ger man ger

Little Miss Non-fat

2 16

A $\text{H } \frac{3}{4}$ sat sat sat sat sat sat **SPLAT!**
 B $\text{H } \frac{3}{4}$ Lit tle Miss Non fat Lit tle Miss Tom cat Non fat sat on her Non fat Tom cat **SPLAT!**
 C $\text{H } \frac{3}{4}$ Lit tle Miss Tom cat Tom cat Non fat sat on her Non fat Tom cat per se cu tion
 D $\text{H } \frac{3}{4}$ clap trap clap trap clap trap

20

A $\text{H } \frac{4}{4}$ per se cu tion pro se cu tion per se cu tion pro sti tu tion Born In A Man ger!
 B $\text{H } \frac{4}{4}$ Per cy Per cy Grain ger Born In A Man ger!
 C $\text{H } \frac{4}{4}$ pro se cu tion per se cu tion pro sti tu tion oom pah pooh Bah Pooh Bah!
 D $\text{H } \frac{4}{4}$ Per cy Grain ger Lit tle Miss

23

A $\text{H } \frac{3}{4}$ chew chew chew to fu chew chew to fu chew chew chew chew Tom
 B $\text{H } \frac{3}{4}$ Lit tle Miss Non fat sat on her Tom cat eat tin
 C $\text{H } \frac{3}{4}$ Al ca traz, clap trap Al ca traz pooh bah Al ca traz may
 D $\text{H } \frac{3}{4}$ Non fat sat on her Tom cat eat ing her soy bean to fu chew chew chew chew

27

A *ff* cat Per cy Grain ger per se cu tion pro se cu tion per se cu tion pro se cu tion per cy cat *ff*

B *ff* her eat tin her eat ing soy bean eat ing her soy bean eat ing her *ff*

C *ff* hem Al ca traz Per cy *pp* per cy cat Grain ger *ff*

D *ff* chew Al ca traz Per cy soy bean eat ing her soy bean Grain ger *ff*

32

A *pp* pro si cat pur se cat pro sti cat to fu to fu

B *pp* soy bean soy bean eat ing her soy bean soy bean born in a man ger Per cy Per cy Per cy Grain ger

C *pp* Grain ger Grain ger Grain ger to fu to fu

D *pp* Grain ger

38

A *p* Al ong came A long came A long came A long came Spin o za *p* long

B Grain ger Grain ger Born in A long came Spin o za *p* no za

C *f* A long came A long came A long came A long came Spin o za *p* long

D *mp* A long came A long came A long came A long came Spin o za *p* long

4 42

A

long no za chew A

B

long no za A long came Spin o za, she

C

no za long Chew

D

no za long A long came Spi no za, she squashed him with her spoon.

45

A

long came Spin o za, she squashed him with her spoon. Chew

B

squashed him with her spoon. Chew ca traz may hem. hem. A

C

chew chew A long came Spin o za, she

D

per se cu tion pro ce cu tion pro sti tu tion Al ca traz

46

A

chew per ce cu tion pro ce cu tion pro sti tu tion *p* A

B

long came Spin o za, she squashed him with her spoon.

C

squashed him with her spoon. Chew ca traz may hem.

D

may hem oom pah pooh bah chew.

48

A $\frac{4}{4}$ long came Spin o za, she squashed him with her spoon. per se cu tion pro ce cu tion pro sti tu tion Alcatraz

B $\frac{4}{4}$ *p* Chew chew chew A long came Spin o za, she

C $\frac{4}{4}$ *p* A long came Spin o za, she squashed him with her spoon chew Al ca traz may hem. A

D $\frac{4}{4}$ *p* chew A long came Spin o za, she squashed him with her spoon. chew

50

A may hem oom pah pooh bah chew. *pp* A

B squashed him with her spoon Al ca traz may hem. *pp* A

C long came Spin o za, she squashed him with her spoon. *pp* A

D chew per se cu tion pro ce cu tion pro sti tu tion *pp* A

52

A $\frac{4}{4}$ long came Spin o za, she squashed him with her spoon. *fff* SPLAT!

B $\frac{4}{4}$ long came Spin o za, she squashed him with her spoon. *fff* SPLAT!

C $\frac{4}{4}$ long came Spin o za, she squashed him with her spoon. *fff* SPLAT!

D $\frac{4}{4}$ long came Spin o za, she squashed him with her spoon. *fff* SPLAT!

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Allegro diploma

like cricket

trig trig

p

like bullfrog

Lo ga ri thm Lo ga ri thm Lo ga ri thm Lo ga ri thm Lo ga ri thm Lo ga ri thm Lo ga ri thm Lo ga ri thm

p

4

trig

tri go no me try

trig trig di git di git

like cricket

p

di git

di git

like small frog

p

ra di an

ra di an

Lo ga ri thm Lo ga ri thm Lo ga ri thm

Lo ga ri thm Lo ga ri thm

6

normal voice

di git trig trig

An swers in the back of the book

'f' is a func tion? If 'g' is a func tion? If

ra di an

ra di an

ra di an

ra di

Lo ga ri thm Lo ga ri thm Lo ga ri thm

Lo ga ri thm

Lo ga ri thm Lo ga ri thm

8

A An swers in the back of the book

B 'h' is a func tion? If *p* I is a func tion? I is a func tion? *cresc. p. a p.*

C an An swers in the back of the book

D Lo ga ri thm Lo ga ri thm Lo ga ri thm

normal voice

10 *cresc.* *f* *ff*

A I is a func tion? I is a func tion? I is a func tion? I is a func tion? one two three *mf*

B I is a func tion? I is a func tion? I is a func tion? I is a func tion? one one two three one two *mf*

C I is a func tion? I is a func tion? I is a func tion? *mf cresc.* *f* *ff*

D normal voice I is a func tion? I is a func tion? I is a func tion? *f cresc.* *ff*

13

A one two one one two One *f* from one is Bud dha num ba *ff*

B One *f* from one is

C one two three one two one two one two three four four four one two three four five

D *mf* one two one two three one two three one two three one two three

8

16

A **Bud dha num ba Bud dha num ba Bud dha num ba splat** **thug a ja splat thug a ja splat** **thug a ja splat** **ff** **one is**

B **xe** *mf* **rox xe rox xe rox xe rox** **xe rox xe rox xe rox xe rox** **ff** **from one is**

C **— five five one two three four four four** **ff** **One from one is**

D **one two three one two three four five — five one two three** **ff** **One from One is**

19

A **em pty ness Zen** *pp* **One** *ff* **from one is a**

B **z** *pp* **en** **zip** *ff*

C **no thing ness void** *ff* **void void void a hole! a hole!**

D **Bud dha num ba Bud dha num ba** *ff*

21

A **Ja pa nese fight er plane** **zip zip zip**

B **zip zip** **Ja pa Ja**

C **a hole! a hole! Bud dha num ba Bud dha num ba**

D **Bud dha num ba Bud dha num ba a hole! a hole!**

22

A zip per zuc chi _____ ni zu lu ze bra ze nith One from one is a

B pa nese fight er plane Ja pa Ja pa Ja pa nese fighterplane

C Bud dha num ba Bud dha num ba An swers in the back of the book a hole! a hole! a hole!

D One from one is an Oh in the O - zone an

24

A Ja pa nese fight er plane Ja pa _____ Ja pa nese fighter plane zip zip zip

B zip zip zip zip per zu lu ze bra zuc - chi - ni ze nith

C Bud dha num ba Bud dha num ba Bud dha num ba Bud dha num ba Zo ro Tho reau Bo zo

D Oh in the O - zone an Oh in the O - zone an Oh

26

A zip per zu lu ze bra zuc chi - ni ze nith a hole! a hole! a hole!

B Zo ro Tho reau Bo zo Bud dha num ba Bud dha num ba Bud dha num ba Bud dha num ba

C One from one is a Ja panese fighterplane Ja pa _____ Ja pa nese fight er plane

D an Oh an Oh ho ho ho ho ho ho ho ho

10

28

A

B

C

D

f ha ha ha ha ha *f* ha ha ha ha ha

f chor kle chor kle

ho ho ho ho ho ho ho ho ho ho ho ho ho ho ho ho ho ho

31

A

B

C

D

f tee hee *cresc. p. a p.* tee hee tee hee

ha ha ha ha ha ha ha ha *cresc. p. a p.* ha ha ha ha ha ha

chor kle chor kle chor kle chor kle chor kle *cresc. p. a p.* chor kle chor kle chor kle chor kle

ho ho ho ho ho ho ho ho ho ho ho ho ho ho ho ho ho

cresc. p. a p.

33

A

B

C

D

tee hee tee hee tee hee Ta - hi ti Ta hi ti Ta hi ti Ta hi ti Ta *ff*

ha ha ha ha ha ha ha ha *ff* ha ha ha ha ha ha

chor kle chor kle chor kle chor kle chor kle *ff* chor kle chor kle chor kle chor kle

ho ho ho ho ho ho ho ho ho ho ho ho ho ho ho ho ho

ff

35

A *fff* hi ta hi ta hi ta hi ta hi ta hi ta hi ta hi ta

B *fff* ha ha ha ha ha ha ha ha ha ha ha ha ha ha

C *fff* chor kle chor kle chor kle chor kle chor kle chor kle chor kle chor kle

D *fff* ho ho ho ho ho ho ho ho ho ho ho ho ho ho *pp* Lo ga ri thm Lo ga ri thm Lo ga ri thm

like small frog

like bullfrog

pp R -

37

A *pp* trig trig trig trig *p* trig di git

B *p* di git di git Add and the world

C - ee cap R - - ee cap R -

D Lo ga ri thm Lo ga ri thm Lo ga ri thm *p* Lo ga ri thm Lo ga ri thm Lo ga ri thm

like cricket

like cricket

normal voice

39

A trig trig di git

B Add and the world Add and the world adds with you

C normal voice - ee cap Add and the world Add and the world adds with you

D normal voice Add Add Add Add Add Add

41 normal voice

A Add and the world adds with you *p*

B Add and the world adds with you *p*

C Add and the world adds *mp*

D Add and the world adds with you *mf*

Answers in the back of the book *f* *ff*

B bil lion dil lion zil lion skil lion *f* *ff*

C with you dil lion zil lion skil lion *f* *ff*

D Add and the world adds with you zil lion skil lion *f* *ff*

43

A Add and the world adds with you *fff*

B Add and the world adds with you *fff*

C Add and the world adds with you *fff*

D Add and the world adds with you *fff*

Subtract and you subtract a-lone. *mp*