

stalaktos

for 3 percussionists & many melodic instruments

Instructions

The ensemble performs with the aid of synchronised stopwatches.

Bass Drum:

Any sized bass drum.

The player may employ whichever rolling technique they prefer in order to sustain the sound at the notated volume for the notated duration.

Snare Drum:

Any sized snare drum.

The player may employ whichever rolling technique they prefer in order to sustain the sound at the notated volume for the notated duration.

Melodic Instruments:

There are to be a minimum of 4 melodic instruments in the ensemble up to an unlimited maximum.

X and Y are two tones, a minor 3rd apart.

Each player chooses freely their tone for X (without communicating it to the rest of the ensemble), and over 20 minutes descends microtonally in a series of long notes and rests until reaching their corresponding Y – a minor 3rd below.

Tones and rests are long to very long, although not uniform in duration, and not synchronised with any other player.

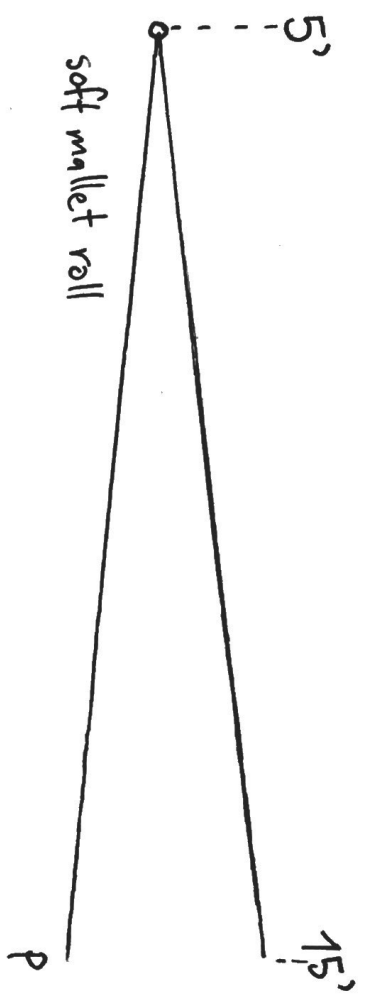
Tones are to be played without vibrato.

Glass Bottle:

The player chooses a glass bottle to play, the sound of which appeals to them. It can be of any size or shape.

It is to be played lain flat on a piece of material which prevents it from rolling when struck.

bass drum:



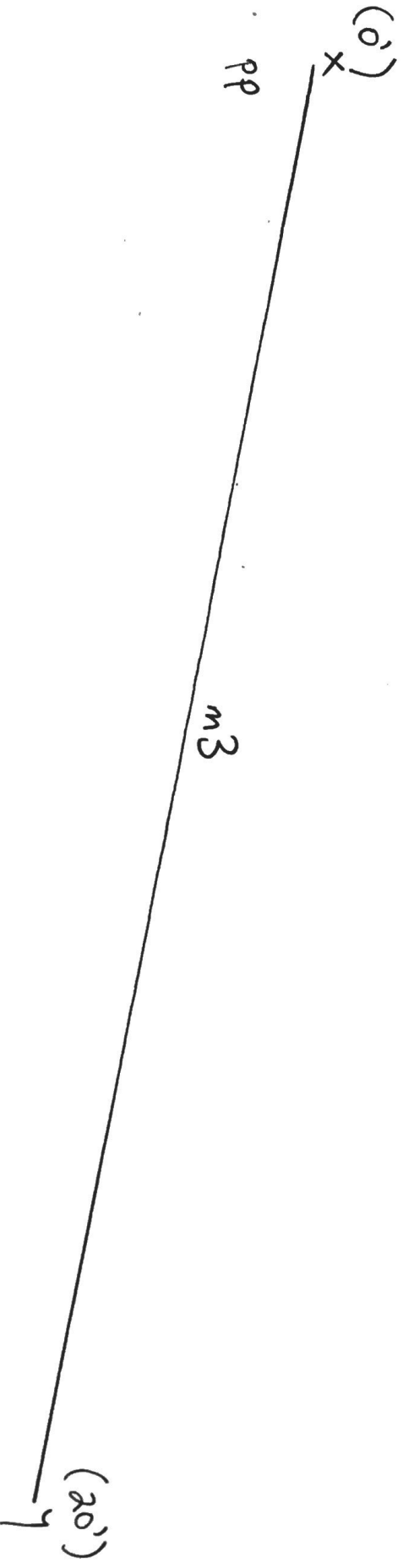
0'

20'

Snare drum:
(senza corde)

ppp drum roll 0' - 20'

melodic instruments:



Handwritten musical score for a glass bottle struck with two wooden drum sticks. The score consists of 11 staves of music. Each staff begins with a treble clef and a 4/4 time signature. The notation uses vertical stems with dots to represent notes, with some notes having flags or beams. The music is divided into measures by vertical bar lines. Above the staves, there are various markings including 'x' followed by a number (e.g., x4, x3, x5, x8, x6, x9, x3) and a double bar line with a repeat sign. The first staff has a large bracket above it with the number '7' and a '4' below it. The final staff ends with a double bar line and a repeat sign, and a small sketch of a glass bottle with two drumsticks striking it.

glass bottle struck with two wooden drum sticks ; $\text{♩} = 60$; ppp