

# A Mother of A Revolution!

## (2019)

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Commissioned by the Desert Winds Freedom Band  
Dean McDowell, Director

In commemoration of the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Stonewall Riots  
and honoring Marsha P. Johnson

## INSTRUMENTATION

Piccolo  
3 Flutes  
Oboes  
Bassoon

3 Clarinets in Bb  
Bass Clarinet

2 Alto Saxes  
Tenor Sax  
Baritone Sax

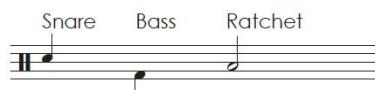
3 Trumpets in Bb  
4 Horns in F  
2 Trombones  
Bass Trombone  
Euphonium  
Tuba

Marimba

Percussion 1 - Snare Drum, Bass Drum, Ratchet  
Percussion 2 - Tam-Tam, Waterphone, Sus. Cymbal, Congas, Bongos, Triangle, Whip, Splash Cymbal  
Drum Set

Percussion keys:

Percussion 1



Percussion 2



Drum Set



## PROGRAM NOTES

This piece is a celebration of the bravery of trans women, and in particular, Marsha "Pay It No Mind" Johnson. Marsha is credited with being one of the instigators of the famous Stonewall uprising of June 28, 1969 – one of the pivotal events of the LGBTQ liberation movement of the 20<sup>th</sup> century – which is commemorated annually during the worldwide Gay Pride celebrations.

Existing as a trans woman, especially a trans woman of color, and daring to live authentically, creating space for oneself in a transphobic world is one of the bravest acts I can imagine. Over 20 trans women were murdered in the United States in 2018 alone. There is no demographic more deserving, and frankly, long overdue for highlighted heroism and bravery. The disco vibe in the latter half is meant to honor a sacred space held amongst LGBTQ persons – a space to love, live, mourn, heal, strategize, connect, and dance in defiance of those outside forces who would seek to do LGBTQ persons harm simply for daring to exist and take up space.

We pump our fists to honor the life, heroism, activism, and bravery of Marsha P. Johnson, to honor the legacy of the Stonewall revolution, to honor the memory of the trans lives violently ended due to fear and hatred, and in honor of trans women worldwide who continue to exist unapologetically and who demand to be seen.

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Score

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$\text{♩} = 100$

(6)

Piccolo

Flute 1

Flute 2&3

Oboe

Bassoon

Clarinet in B♭ 1

Clarinet in B♭ 2

Clarinet in B♭ 3

Bass Clarinet

Alto Sax 1&2

Tenor Sax

Baritone Sax

Trumpet in B♭ 1

Trumpet in B♭ 2

Trumpet in B♭ 3

Horn in F 1&2

Horn in F 3&4

Trombone 1

Trombone 2

Bass Trombone

Euphonium

Tuba

Marimba

Percussion 1  
Snare Drum - Bass Drum - Hatchet

Percussion 2  
Tam-Tam - Waterphone - Sus. Cym - Congas - Bongos - Triangle - Whip

Drum Set w/ 2 Snare

$\text{♩} = 100$

(6)

$\text{ppp}$

$\text{ppp}$

$\text{ppp}$

\*bowed tam-tam (aim for "screech" sound)

$p$

1 2 3 4 5 6 7

[12]

Picc.

Fl. 1

Fl. 2&3

Ob.

Bsn.

B♭ Cl. 1

B♭ Cl. 2

B♭ Cl. 3

B. Cl.

A. Sx. 1&2

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

B♭ Tpt. 1

B♭ Tpt. 2

B♭ Tpt. 3

Hn. 1&2

Hn. 3&4

Tbn. 1

Tbn. 2

B. Tbn.

Euph.

Tuba

Mrb.

Perc.

Perc.

D. S.

\*bowed waterphone - bow a lower pitch and rotate, allowing to ring

\*cymbal scrape (head of drum stick across cymbal)

\*bowed ride cymbal (high-pitched screech)

Picc.

Fl. 1

Fl. 2&3

Ob.

Bsn.

B♭ Cl. 1

B♭ Cl. 2

B♭ Cl. 3

B. Cl.

A. Sx. 1&2

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

B♭ Tpt. 1

B♭ Tpt. 2

B♭ Tpt. 3

Hn. 1&2

Hn. 3&4

Tbn. 1

Tbn. 2

B. Tbn.

Euph.

Tuba

Mrb.

Perc.

Perc.

D. S.

\*a2 unless written divisi

\*bowed waterphone - rotate to get different pitches

15      16      17      18

19

Picc.

Fl. 1

Fl. 2&3

Ob.

Bsn. *mp* cresc. poco a poco *mf*

B♭ Cl. 1

B♭ Cl. 2

B♭ Cl. 3 *mp* cresc. poco a poco *mf*

B. Cl. *mp* cresc. poco a poco *mf*

A. Sx. 1&2

T. Sx. *sub. mp* cresc. poco a poco *mf* *f*

B. Sx. *mp* cresc. poco a poco

B♭ Tpt. 1

B♭ Tpt. 2

B♭ Tpt. 3

Hn. 1&2

Hn. 3&4

Tbn. 1

Tbn. 2 *mp* cresc. poco a poco *f* *sfz p* Open

B. Tbn. *mp* cresc. poco a poco *mf*

Euph. *mp* cresc. poco a poco *mf*

Tuba *mp* cresc. poco a poco *mf*

Mrb. *mp* cresc. poco a poco *mf*

Perc. *mp* \*bowed tam-tam *mf*

Perc. *mp* \*cymbal scrape (head of drum stick across cymbal)

D. S.



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6

27

Picc.

Fl. 1

Fl. 2&3

Ob.

Bsn.

Bb Cl. 1

Bb Cl. 2

Bb Cl. 3

B. Cl.

A. Sx. 1&2

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

Bb Ppt. 1

Bb Ppt. 2

Bb Ppt. 3

Hn. 1&2

Hn. 3&4

Tbn. 1

Tbn. 2

B. Tbn.

Euph.

Tuba

Mrb.

Perc.

Perc.

D. S.

Picc.

Fl. 1

Fl. 2&3

Ob.

Bsn.

B♭ Cl. 1

B♭ Cl. 2

B♭ Cl. 3

B. Cl.

A. Sx. 1&2

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

B♭ Tpt. 1

B♭ Tpt. 2

B♭ Tpt. 3

Hn. 1&2

Hn. 3&4

Tbn. 1

Tbn. 2

B. Tbn.

Euph.

Tuba

Mrb.

Perc.

Perc.

D. S.

30                    31                    32                    33

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Picc.

Fl. 1

Fl. 2&3

Ob.

Bsn.

Bb Cl. 1

Bb Cl. 2

Bb Cl. 3

B. Cl.

A. Sx. 1&2

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

Bb Tpt. 1

Bb Tpt. 2

Bb Tpt. 3

Hn. 1&2

Hn. 3&4

Tbn. 1

Tbn. 2

B. Tbn.

Euph.

Tuba

Mrb.

Perc.

Perc.

D. S.

Picc.

Fl. 1

Fl. 2&3

Ob.

Bsn.

B♭ Cl. 1

B♭ Cl. 2

B♭ Cl. 3

B. Cl.

A. Sx. 1&2

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

B♭ Tpt. 1

B♭ Tpt. 2

B♭ Tpt. 3

Hn. 1&2

Hn. 3&4

Tbn. 1

Tbn. 2

B. Tbn.

Euph.

Tuba

Mrb.

Perc.

Perc.

D. S.

Picc.

Fl. 1

Fl. 2&3

Ob.

Bsn.

B♭ Cl. 1

B♭ Cl. 2

B♭ Cl. 3

B. Cl.

A. Sx. 1&2

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

B♭ Tpt. 1

B♭ Tpt. 2

B♭ Tpt. 3

Hn. 1&2

Hn. 3&4  
(opt. tacet)

Tbn. 1

Tbn. 2

B. Tbn.

Euph.

Tuba

Mrb.

Perc.

Perc.

D. S.

Picc.

Fl. 1

Fl. 2&3

Ob.

Bsn.

B♭ Cl. 1

B♭ Cl. 2

B♭ Cl. 3

B♭ Cl.

A. Sx. 1&2

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

B♭ Tpt. 1

B♭ Tpt. 2

B♭ Tpt. 3

Hn. 1&2

Hn. 3&4

Tbn. 1

Tbn. 2

B. Tbn.

Euph.

Tuba

Mrb.

Perc.

Perc.

D. S.

(switch to hard mallets!)

52

Picc.

Fl. 1

Fl. 2&3

Ob.

Bsn.

B♭ Cl. 1

B♭ Cl. 2

B♭ Cl. 3

B. Cl.

A. Sx. 1&2

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

B♭ Tpt. 1

B♭ Tpt. 2

B♭ Tpt. 3

Hn. 1&2

Hn. 3&4

Tbn. 1

Tbn. 2

B. Tbn.

Euph.

Tuba

Mrb.

Perc.

Perc.

D. S.

52

56

Picc.

Fl. 1

Fl. 2&3

Ob.

Bsn.

B♭ Cl. 1

B♭ Cl. 2

B♭ Cl. 3

B. Cl.

A. Sx. 1&2

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

B♭ Ppt. 1

B♭ Ppt. 2

B♭ Ppt. 3

(as written)

Hn. 1&2

Hn. 3&4

Tbn. 1

Tbn. 2

B. Tbn.

Euph.

Tuba

Mrb.

Perc.

Perc.

D. S.

53

54

55

56

Picc.

Fl. 1

Fl. 2&3

Ob.

Bsn.

B♭ Cl. 1

B♭ Cl. 2

B♭ Cl. 3

B. Cl.

A. Sx. 1&2

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

B♭ Tpt. 1

B♭ Tpt. 2

B♭ Tpt. 3

Hn. 1&2

Hn. 3&4

Tbn. 1

Tbn. 2

B. Tbn.

Euph.

Tuba

Mrb.

Perc.

Perc.

D. S.

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15

## A Mother of A Revolution!

16  
65

Picc.

Fl. 1

Fl. 2&3

Ob.

Bsn.

No separation whatsoever! Stagger breathe as necessary.

B♭ Cl. 1

B♭ Cl. 2

B♭ Cl. 3

No separation whatsoever! Stagger breathe as necessary.

B. Cl.

A. Sx. 1&2

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

No separation whatsoever! Stagger breathe as necessary.

B♭ Tpt. 1

B♭ Tpt. 2

B♭ Tpt. 3

Hn. 1&2

Hn. 3&4

Tbn. 1

Tbn. 2

No separation whatsoever! Stagger breathe as necessary.

B. Tbn.

Euph.

No separation whatsoever! Stagger breathe as necessary.

Tuba

Mrb.

Perc.

Perc.

D. S.

f

65

66

67

68

Picc.

Fl. 1

Fl. 2&3

Ob.

Bsn.

B♭ Cl. 1

B♭ Cl. 2

B♭ Cl. 3

B. Cl.

A. Sx. 1&2

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

B♭ Tpt. 1

B♭ Tpt. 2

B♭ Tpt. 3

Hn. 1&2

Hn. 3&4

Tbn. 1

Tbn. 2

B. Tbn.

Euph.

Tuba

Mrb.

Perc.

Perc.

D. S.

75

Picc.

Fl. 1

Fl. 2&3

Ob.

Bsn.

Bb Cl. 1

Bb Cl. 2

Bb Cl. 3

B. Cl.

A. Sx. 1&2

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

Bb Tpt. 1

Bb Tpt. 2

Bb Tpt. 3

Hn. 1&2

Hn. 3&4

Tbn. 1

Tbn. 2

B. Tbn.

Euph.

Tuba

Mrb.

Perc.

Perc.

D. S.

73

74

75

76

77

78

79

80

## A Mother of A Revolution!

20

picc.

Fl. 1

Fl. 2&3

Ob.

Bsn.

B♭ Cl. 1

B♭ Cl. 2

B♭ Cl. 3

B. Cl.

A. Sx. 1&2

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

B♭ Tpt. 1

B♭ Tpt. 2

B♭ Tpt. 3

Hn. 1&2

Hn. 3&4

Tbn. 1

Tbn. 2

B. Tbn.

Euph.

Tuba

Mrb.

Perc.

Perc.

D. S.

87

Picc.

Fl. 1

Fl. 2&3

Ob.

Bsn.

B♭ Cl. 1

B♭ Cl. 2

B♭ Cl. 3

B. Cl.

A. Sx. 1&2

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

B♭ Tpt. 1

B♭ Tpt. 2

B♭ Tpt. 3

Hn. 1&2

Hn. 3&4

Tbn. 1

Tbn. 2

B. Tbn.

Euph.

Tuba

Mrb.

Perc.

Perc.

D. S.

85            86            87            88

(SUPER strong 2 & 4!!!)

Picc.

Fl. 1

Fl. 2&3

Ob.

Bsn.

B♭ Cl. 1

B♭ Cl. 2

B♭ Cl. 3

B. Cl.

A. Sx. 1&2

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

B♭ Ppt. 1

B♭ Ppt. 2

B♭ Ppt. 3

Hn. 1&2

Hn. 3&4

Tbn. 1

Tbn. 2

B. Tbn.

Euph.

Tuba

Mrb.

Perc.

Perc.

D. S.

89

90

91

92

95

Picc.

Fl. 1

Fl. 2&3

Ob.

Bsn.

B♭ Cl. 1

B♭ Cl. 2

B♭ Cl. 3

B♭ Cl.

A. Sx. 1&2

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

B♭ Tpt. 1

B♭ Tpt. 2

B♭ Tpt. 3

Hn. 1&2

Hn. 3&4

Tbn. 1

Tbn. 2

B. Tbn.

Euph.

Tuba

Mrb.

Perc.

Perc.

D. S.

93

94

95

96

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A Mother or A Revolution!

100

Picc.

Fl. 1

Fl. 2&3

Ob.

Bsn.

Bb Cl. 1

Bb Cl. 2

Bb Cl. 3

B. Cl.

A. Sx. 1&2

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

Bb Tpt. 1

Bb Tpt. 2

Bb Tpt. 3

Hn. 1&2

Hn. 3&4

Tbn. 1

Tbn. 2

B. Tbn.

Euph.

Tuba

Mrb.

Perc.

Perc.

D. S.

97

98

99

100

Picc.

Fl. 1

Fl. 2&3

Ob.

Bsn.

B♭ Cl. 1

B♭ Cl. 2

B♭ Cl. 3

B. Cl.

A. Sx. 1&2

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

B♭ Tpt. 1

B♭ Tpt. 2

B♭ Tpt. 3

Hn. 1&2

Hn. 3&4

Tbn. 1

Tbn. 2

B. Tbn.

Euph.

Tuba

Mrb.

Perc.

Perc.

D. S.

101

102

v 103

v 104 v v

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