

Stephen Hill

Harmelodic
Configurations

IV. Toccata (Driving the 5)

Concert Band

(Grade 4-5)


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Instrumentation

Piccolo

Flute 1-2

Oboe

Bb Clarinet 1-3

Bb Bass Clarinet

Bb Contra Bass Clarinet

Bassoon

Eb Alto Saxophone 1-2

Bb Tenor Saxophone

Eb Baritone Saxophone

Bb Trumpet 1-3

French Horn 1-4

Trombone 1-3

Euphonium

Tuba

String Bass

Timpani

Percussion

(B.D., 3 Toms, Triangle, Wind Chimes, Brake Drum, Gong)

Mallets

(Xylophone, Vibraphone, Marimba, Glockenspiel)

Piano

Duration - ca. 4:30



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About the Work... (Notes by the composer and by Dr. John Burdett, Azusa Pacific University)

In the spring of 2006, influential music educator Gary Scudder asked if I would consider writing a piece for his band that somehow included the tones CBDAAG derived from the acronym CBDA (California Band Directors Association). The additional A and G were added as it was the 'Anniversary Golden', the 50th anniversary, of the organization's conference. The work began in late June 2006, with sketches of harmonic and melodic configurations of the tones. The entire work being performed today originated in this initial request.

The sketching continued while my wife and I were on our annual camping and fishing trip. Sketches were worked out in Yellowstone National Park, Wyoming, in a motel room in Missoula, Montana, while fly fishing the Lochsa River in Idaho and at a campground at the base of Mt. Hood in Oregon. The actual writing took place in July and was finished in late August. Each movement reflects the musical influence of my teachers and the composers I was studying at the time.

The title **Harmelodic Configurations** is a reference to composer Howard Hanson (1896-1981) and his book, *Harmonic Materials of Modern Music*. In the preface, Hanson writes, "If consistency of harmonic- melodic expression is important in musical creation, this theory should bear the most intensive study, for it sets up a basis for the logical expansion of tonal ideas once the germinating concept has been decided upon in the mind of the composer." For the title, I combined the two words harmonic and melodic into one made-up word, **Harmelodic**. By adding the word, configuration (noun - an arrangement of parts or elements; "the outcome depends on the configuration of influences at the time"), I completed the concept in the "mind of the composer" as Hanson proposed.

I. Fanfare and Canon (Con Slancio)

The descriptive term "Con Slancio" (Italian), is translated, as "With vehemence, impetuously." (Sometimes written *islando*, for the sake of euphony). From the *Dictionary of Musical Terms* (1895 Edition) by Dr. Theo. Baker.

I first came across the term "slancio" in the music of John Barnes Chance. Chance uses the term in several of his works: *Blue Lake Overture* and *Symphony No. 2*. During my studies with Francis McBeth at Ouachita Baptist University, he and Band Director Marvin Lawson, shared stories of their classmate, John Barnes Chance while at the University of Texas, where they studied with Clifton Williams. Since the work, as commissioned, was to be based specifically on the tones CBDAAG, the 1st Movement begins with a Fanfare that strongly establishes those series of notes. The Canon passes the tones throughout the brass section and then throughout the whole ensemble. In contrast to the aggressive opening, the 1st movement closes with a cascading setting of the tone row that sets up the quiet and peaceful 2nd Movement.

II. Idyll: The Eastern Sierras (Reflectively, with Ebb and Flow)

This is a musical reflection of my "Spring Break" trips to the Eastern Sierras to do a little Fly Fishing. They are certainly a majestic mountain range in the middle of California. The opening section recalls the "Quintal" Chord and pulsing timpani part I discovered when McBeth brought his copy of the score of Howard Hanson's "Lament for Beowulf" to class and handed it to me to study.

III. Sturm and Drang: Angst (Pesante, Slancio)

(Sturm and Drang - from German, translated - storm and stress) A style of composition that communicates emotions of stress, fear, horror, anxiety, etc. typically attributed to German music of the Romantic era.

This movement is a reflection of the expansive influence my composition teacher Dr. Byong Kon Kim, had during my graduate studies at California State University, Los Angeles.

IV. Valse: Political Circus (Seriously, but not too seriously)

Valse: Political Circus intended as witty musical commentary. This movement is a mixture of the musical influences of *La Valse* by Maurice Ravel (1875-1937) and the middle waltz section of *Blue Lake Overture* by John Barnes Chance.

V. Toccata: Driving the 5 (With Drama, Faster)

The phrases "Take the 5", "Driving the 5", "Get on the 5", and many others like them are all clearly understood by those who drive in California.

This movement begins with the gentle sounds of wind chimes, a sound I would often hear outside my studio when the breeze would begin to move the small wind chimes my wife had placed in the patio breezeway. The gentle chiming soon turns into a loud clash of clustered sounds that declare the day has begun and it is time to get on the "5" and make the mad dash to your destination. Whether going North or South, you are bound to encounter the hectic driving habits of Californians weaving in and out of lanes

while "Driving the 5". The closing section recalls the frantic action it may take to change lanes in time to catch your exit off of the "5".

VI. Elegy: Thank you, Howard Hanson (1896-1981) (Reflectively)

The composer Howard Hanson, a native of Nebraska and the first Director of the Eastman School of Music, began teaching at age 19 at The College of the Pacific in San Jose, California. In the early 1970s, I discovered a copy of Song of Democracy in the piano bench of our family piano. Not being a piano player, I struggled through it trying to play the melodies and harmonies. It left a strong impression on me and I am fortunate to have been further exposed to the musical influence of Howard Hanson through my teacher Francis McBeth who was one of Hanson's students.

VII. Fanfare, Canon, and Flourishes (Con Slancio, Heroic)

This 7th and final movement was patterned after the form utilized in Janacek's Sinfonietta by restating the opening Fanfare and Canon of the 1st Movement before venturing into an extended Flourish on the Tones CBDAAG. The movement is one of bravura with a grand G Major cadence in a bit of a film score-like ending.

About the Composer...

Stephen Hill (b.1958) was born and raised in Southern California. His compositional lineage includes the likes of Roy Harris, Ingolf Dahl, Clifton Williams, Bernard Rogers, and Howard Hanson through study with Philip Westin (Cerritos College, 1976-1978) and most notably with W. Francis McBeth at Ouachita Baptist University in Arkadelphia, Arkansas (1978-1980). Stephen continued with graduate work at California State University, Los Angeles (1980-83) with composers Dr. Byong Kon Kim and William Hill. He composes for the simple joy of it.

For over 40 years, Stephen taught K-12 instrumental music concurrently in both the Private Christian School (Whittier Christian) and Public School (California High School) settings. Though semi-retired, Stephen still works with students by continuing to teach part-time at California High School and maintaining his private music studio, where he plays and teaches Woodwinds, Brass, Strings, and Piano. Stephen also plays with the church orchestra at Calvary Chapel, La Habra, CA. where he attends. When teaching full-time, he was primarily a "summer" composer. No longer teaching full-time, Stephen has the privilege to compose beyond just the summer months and publishes through his company, SARAHTIM—a title which comes from simply combining the name of his daughter Sarah and son Timothy. (*Notes by Dr. John Burdett, Azusa Pacific University*)

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“Where there is devotional music, God is always at hand with His gracious presence.” J.S.Bach

“The Lord is my shepherd...” (Psalm 23)

*“Before the mountains were born, before you gave birth to the earth and the world,
from eternity to eternity, you are God” (Psalm 90:2)*

Harmelodic Configurations

5. Toccata - Driving the 5

Stephen Hill (ASCAP)

Hold 10-15 seconds ♩ = 120 With Drama

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9

A $\text{♩} = 108$ Pensively rit. $\text{♩} = 120$ Tensely

W. Chimes, Tri.
Brake D., Bass D.

10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20

B $\text{♩} = 130$ **C**

W. Chimes, Tri.
Brake D., Bass D.

21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28

W. Chimes, Tri.
Brake D., Bass D.

29 30 31 32 33 34 35 36

The image displays a page of a musical score for a piece titled "Driving the 5" from the "Harmelodic Configurations - 5" collection. The score is for a large ensemble, including woodwinds, brass, saxophones, and percussion. The page is numbered 4 and contains measures 29 through 36. A large, diagonal watermark reading "PERUSAL SCORE" is overlaid across the entire page. The score includes various dynamics such as *mf* and *f*, and performance instructions like "Muted". The percussion section includes W. Chimes, Tri., Brake D., Bass D., Timp., Tom-t., Bells, Xyl., Vib., Mar., and Pno. The woodwind section includes Picc., Fl. 1, Fl. 2, Ob., Cl. 1, Cl. 2, Cl. 3, B. Cl., Cb. Cl., Bsn., Alto Sax. 1, Alto Sax. 2, Ten. Sax., and Bari. Sax. The brass section includes Tpt. 1, Tpt. 2, Tpt. 3, Hn. 1,2, Hn. 3,4, Tbn. 1, Tbn. 2, Tbn. 3, Euph., and Tba. The string section includes S. Bass. The piano part is written for the right and left hands.

PERUSAL SCORE

D

Picc. *ff*

Fl. 1 *ff*

Fl. 2 *ff*

Ob. *ff*

Cl. 1 *ff*

Cl. 2 *ff*

Cl. 3 *ff*

B. Cl. *ff*

Cb. Cl. *ff mf* - Contra

Bsn. *ff mf*

Alto Sax. 1 *ff mf*

Alto Sax. 2 *ff mf*

Ten. Sax. *ff mf*

Bari. Sax. *ff mf*

Tpt. 1 *ff* 1. only *sfz*

Tpt. 2 *ff* Open

Tpt. 3 *ff* Open

Hn. 1,2 *ff* 1. only *sfz*

Hn. 3,4 *ff*

Tbn. 1 *ff* 1. only *sfz*

Tbn. 2 *ff*

Tbn. 3 *ff*

Euph. *ff*

Tba. *ff*

S. Bass *ff*

Timp. *ff*

Tom-t. *ff*

W. Chimes, Tri. Brake D., Bass D. *ff* Brake Drum *sfz*

Bells *ff*

Xyl. *ff*

Vib. *ff*

Mar. *ff mf* Harmonic Texture needs to be prominent Two players side by side

Pno. *ff mf* Harmonic Texture needs to be prominent

W. Chimes, Tri.
Brake D., Bass D.

PERUSAL SCORE

43 44 45 46 47 48 49

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The score is for a piece titled "Driving the 5" from the "Harmelodic Configurations - 5" collection. It is written for a large ensemble. The score is divided into five systems, each containing multiple staves for different instruments. The instruments listed on the left are: Picc., Fl. 1, Fl. 2, Ob., Cl. 1, Cl. 2, Cl. 3, B. Cl., Cb. Cl., Bsn., Alto Sax. 1, Alto Sax. 2, Ten. Sax., Bari. Sax., Tpt. 1, Tpt. 2, Tpt. 3, Hn. 1,2, Hn. 3,4, Tbn. 1, Tbn. 2, Tbn. 3, Euph., Tba., S. Bass, W. Chimes, Tri., Brake D., Bass D., Bells, Xyl., Vib., Mar., and Pno. The score includes dynamic markings such as *f* (forte) and *mf* (mezzo-forte). There are also performance instructions like "7" and "3" above certain measures. A large, diagonal watermark "PERUSAL COPY" is overlaid across the entire score.

F Faster ♩ = 140

W. Chimes, Tri.
Brake D., Bass D.

PERUSAL SCORE

The musical score is arranged in a standard orchestral format with the following parts from top to bottom:

- Picc.
- Fl. 1
- Fl. 2
- Ob.
- Cl. 1
- Cl. 2
- Cl. 3
- B. Cl.
- Cb. Cl.
- Bsn.
- Alto Sax. 1
- Alto Sax. 2
- Ten. Sax.
- Bari. Sax.
- Tpt. 1
- Tpt. 2
- Tpt. 3
- Hn. 1,2
- Hn. 3,4
- Tbn. 1
- Tbn. 2
- Tbn. 3
- Euph.
- Tba.
- S. Bass
- Timp.
- Tom-t.
- W. Chimes, Tri. Brake D., Bass D.
- Bells
- Xyl.
- Vib.
- Mar.
- Pno.

The score spans measures 63 to 69. The woodwinds and strings play sustained notes, while the flutes and piccolo play a melodic line starting in measure 64. The saxophones play a rhythmic eighth-note pattern. The piano provides a dense harmonic accompaniment with chords and arpeggios. A large 'PERUSAL SCORE' watermark is overlaid diagonally across the page.

G

The musical score is arranged in a standard orchestral format. The woodwind section includes Piccolo, Flutes 1 and 2, Oboe, Clarinets 1, 2, and 3, Bass Clarinet, Contrabass Clarinet, Bassoon, Alto Saxophones 1 and 2, Tenor Saxophone, and Baritone Saxophone. The brass section includes Trumpets 1, 2, and 3, Horns 1, 2 and 3, 4, Trombones 1, 2, and 3, Euphonium, and Tuba. The string section includes Violins, Violas, Cellos, and Double Basses. The percussion section includes Timpani, Tom-toms, W. Chimes, Triangles, Brake Drums, Bass Drums, Bells, Xylophone, Vibraphone, and Maracas. The piano part is written for the grand piano. The score features various dynamics such as *p*, *mp*, *f*, *mf*, and *pp*, and includes performance instructions like 'muted' for the trumpets. A large 'PERUSAL' watermark is overlaid diagonally across the score.

W. Chimes, Tri.
Brake D., Bass D.

Picc.

Fl. 1

Fl. 2

Ob.

Cl. 1

Cl. 2

Cl. 3

B. Cl.

Cb. Cl.

Bsn.

Alto Sax. 1

Alto Sax. 2

Ten. Sax.

Bari. Sax.

Tpt. 1

Tpt. 2

Tpt. 3

Hn. 1,2

Hn. 3,4

Tbn. 1

Tbn. 2

Tbn. 3

Euph.

Tba.

S. Bass

Timp.

Tom-t.

W. Chimes, Tri.
Brake D., Bass D.

Bells

Xyl.

Vib.

Mar.

Pno.

The musical score is arranged in a standard orchestral format with multiple staves for each instrument family. The woodwinds (Piccolo, Flutes 1 & 2, Oboe, Clarinets 1, 2, & 3, Bass Clarinet, Contrabass Clarinet, Bassoon) play melodic lines with dynamic markings of *f* and *mp*. The saxophone section (Alto Saxophones 1 & 2, Tenor Saxophone, Baritone Saxophone) plays a rhythmic pattern with dynamics ranging from *mp* to *p*. The brass section (Trumpets 1, 2, & 3; Horns 1, 2, 3, & 4; Trombones 1, 2, & 3; Euphonium; Tuba) provides harmonic support with sustained notes. The percussion section (Timpani, Tom-toms, Chimes, Bells, Xylophone, Vibraphone, and Piano) features a complex rhythmic accompaniment. A large, diagonal watermark reading "PERUSAL SCORE" is overlaid across the entire score.

W. Chimes, Tri.
Brake D., Bass D.

W. Chimes, Tri.
Brake D., Bass D.

PERUSAL SCORE

K

The musical score is arranged in a standard orchestral format. The woodwind section includes Piccolo, Flute 1 and 2, Oboe, Clarinet 1, 2, and 3, Bass Clarinet, Contrabass Clarinet, Bassoon, Alto Saxophone 1 and 2, Tenor Saxophone, and Baritone Saxophone. The brass section consists of Trumpet 1, 2, and 3, Horns 1, 2 and 3, 4, Trombone 1, 2, and 3, Euphonium, and Tuba. The percussion section includes Snare Bass, Timpani, Tom-toms, Bells, Xylophone, Vibraphone, and Maracas. The piano part is at the bottom. A large, diagonal watermark reading 'PERUSAL SCORE' is overlaid across the entire score.

W.Chimes, Tri.
Brake D., Bass D.

Picc.

Fl. 1

Fl. 2

Ob.

Cl. 1

Cl. 2

Cl. 3

B. Cl.

Cb. Cl.

Bsn.

Alto Sax. 1

Alto Sax. 2

Ten. Sax.

Bari. Sax.

Tpt. 1

Tpt. 2

Tpt. 3

Hn. 1,2

Hn. 3,4

Tbn. 1

Tbn. 2

Tbn. 3

Euph.

Tba.

S. Bass

Timp.

Tom-t.

W. Chimes, Tri.
Brake D., Bass D.

Bells

Xyl.

Vib.

Mar.

Pno.

The musical score is arranged in a standard orchestral format. The woodwind section includes Piccolo, Flute 1 and 2, Oboe, Clarinet 1, 2, and 3, Bass Clarinet, Contrabass Clarinet, and Bassoon. The saxophone section consists of Alto Saxophones 1 and 2, Tenor Saxophone, and Baritone Saxophone. The brass section includes Trumpets 1, 2, and 3; Horns 1, 2, 3, and 4; Trombones 1, 2, and 3; Euphonium; and Tuba. The low brass and percussion section includes Basses (S. Bass), Timpani, Tom-toms, W. Chimes, Tri. Brake D., Bass D., Bells, Xylophone, Vibraphone, Maracas, and Piano. The score features complex rhythmic patterns, often with slurs and accents, and dynamic markings such as *mp* and *mf*. A large, diagonal watermark reading 'PERUSAL SCORE' is overlaid across the entire page.

Picc.

Fl. 1

Fl. 2

Ob.

Cl. 1

Cl. 2

Cl. 3

B. Cl.

Cb. Cl.

Bsn.

Alto Sax. 1

Alto Sax. 2

Ten. Sax.

Bari. Sax.

Tpt. 1

Tpt. 2

Tpt. 3

Hn. 1,2

Hn. 3,4

Tbn. 1

Tbn. 2

Tbn. 3

Euph.

Tba.

S. Bass

Timp.

Tom-t.

W. Chimes, Tri.
Brake D., Bass D.

Bells

Xyl.

Vib.

Mar.

Pno.

muted

p

muted

p

muted

p

mf

122 123 124 125 126 127 128 129

The image displays a page from a musical score, page 18, for the piece 'Harmelodic Configurations - 5. Toccata - Driving the 5'. The score is arranged in a standard orchestral format with multiple staves for various instruments. The instruments listed on the left include Piccolo (Picc.), Flutes 1 and 2 (Fl. 1, Fl. 2), Oboe (Ob.), Clarinets 1, 2, and 3 (Cl. 1, Cl. 2, Cl. 3), Bass Clarinet (B. Cl.), Contrabass Clarinet (Cb. Cl.), Bassoon (Bsn.), Alto Saxophones 1 and 2 (Alto Sax. 1, Alto Sax. 2), Tenor Saxophone (Ten. Sax.), Baritone Saxophone (Bari. Sax.), Trumpets 1, 2, and 3 (Tpt. 1, Tpt. 2, Tpt. 3), Horns 1, 2 and 3, 4 (Hn. 1,2, Hn. 3,4), Trombones 1, 2, and 3 (Tbn. 1, Tbn. 2, Tbn. 3), Euphonium (Euph.), Tuba (Tba.), String Bass (S. Bass), Timpani (Timp.), Tom-toms (Tom-t.), W. Chimes, Triangles, Brake Drums, and Bass Drums (W. Chimes, Tri. Brake D., Bass D.), Bells, Xylophone (Xyl.), Vibraphone (Vib.), Maracas (Mar.), and Piano (Pno.). The score shows musical notation for measures 130 through 137. A large, diagonal watermark reading 'PERUSAL SCORE' is overlaid across the entire page. Performance markings such as *p* (piano), *f* (forte), and 'muted' are present. The piano part at the bottom features a complex, rhythmic accompaniment with many beamed notes.

The musical score is arranged in a standard orchestral format. The instruments listed on the left are: Picc., Fl. 1, Fl. 2, Ob., Cl. 1, Cl. 2, Cl. 3, B. Cl., Cb. Cl., Bsn., Alto Sax. 1, Alto Sax. 2, Ten. Sax., Bari. Sax., Tpt. 1, Tpt. 2, Tpt. 3, Hn. 1,2, Hn. 3,4, Tbn. 1, Tbn. 2, Tbn. 3, Euph., Tba., S. Bass, Timp., Tom-t., W. Chimes, Tri., Brake D., Bass D., Bells, Xyl., Vib., Mar., and Pno. The score includes various musical notations such as rests, notes, stems, and dynamic markings like *f* and *muted*. A large, diagonal watermark reading "PERUSAL SCORE" is overlaid across the entire page.

The musical score is arranged in a standard orchestral format. The instruments listed on the left are: Picc., Fl. 1, Fl. 2, Ob., Cl. 1, Cl. 2, Cl. 3, B. Cl., Cb. Cl., Bsn., Alto Sax. 1, Alto Sax. 2, Ten. Sax., Bari. Sax., Tpt. 1, Tpt. 2, Tpt. 3, Hn. 1,2, Hn. 3,4, Tbn. 1, Tbn. 2, Tbn. 3, Euph., Tba., S. Bass, Timp., Tom-t., W. Chimes, Tri., Brake D., Bass D., Bells, Xyl., Vib., Mar., and Pno. The score includes dynamic markings such as *f* and *sfz*, and performance instructions like *open*. A rehearsal mark **Q** is located at the top right. A large, diagonal watermark reading "PERUSAL SCORE" is overlaid across the entire page.

The musical score is arranged in a standard orchestral layout. The instruments listed on the left are: Picc., Fl. 1, Fl. 2, Ob., Cl. 1, Cl. 2, Cl. 3, B. Cl., Cb. Cl., Bsn., Alto Sax. 1, Alto Sax. 2, Ten. Sax., Bari. Sax., Tpt. 1, Tpt. 2, Tpt. 3, Hn. 1,2, Hn. 3,4, Tbn. 1, Tbn. 2, Tbn. 3, Euph., Tba., S. Bass, Timp., Tom-t., W. Chimes, Tri., Brake D., Bass D., Bells, Xyl., Vib., Mar., and Pno. The score spans measures 154 to 160. A large, diagonal watermark reading 'PERUSAL SCORE' is overlaid across the entire page. Dynamic markings such as *f* are present in several staves.

R

PERUSAL SCORE

Picc.

Fl. 1

Fl. 2

Ob.

Cl. 1

Cl. 2

Cl. 3

B. Cl.

Cb. Cl.

Bsn.

Alto Sax. 1

Alto Sax. 2

Ten. Sax.

Bari. Sax.

Tpt. 1

Tpt. 2

Tpt. 3

Hn. 1,2

Hn. 3,4

Tbn. 1

Tbn. 2

Tbn. 3

Euph.

Tba.

S. Bass

Timp.

Tom-t.

W. Chimes, Tri.
Brake D., Bass D.

Bells

Xyl.

Vib.

Mar.

Pno.

f

ff

S

The image displays a page of a musical score for a symphony orchestra. The score is written for measures 168 through 173. The instruments listed on the left include Piccolo (Picc.), Flutes 1 and 2 (Fl. 1, Fl. 2), Oboe (Ob.), Clarinets 1, 2, and 3 (Cl. 1, Cl. 2, Cl. 3), Bass Clarinet (B. Cl.), Contrabass Clarinet (Cb. Cl.), Bassoon (Bsn.), Alto Saxophones 1 and 2 (Alto Sax. 1, Alto Sax. 2), Tenor Saxophone (Ten. Sax.), Baritone Saxophone (Bari. Sax.), Trumpets 1, 2, and 3 (Tpt. 1, Tpt. 2, Tpt. 3), Horns 1, 2, 3, and 4 (Hn. 1,2, Hn. 3,4), Trombones 1, 2, and 3 (Tbn. 1, Tbn. 2, Tbn. 3), Euphonium (Euph.), Tuba (Tba.), String Bass (S. Bass), Timpani (Timp.), Tom-toms (Tom-t.), W. Chimes, Triangle, Brake Drum, and Bass Drum (W. Chimes, Tri. Brake D., Bass D.), Bells, Xylophone (Xyl.), Vibraphone (Vib.), and Maracas (Mar.). The piano part (Pno.) is also included at the bottom. The score features various musical notations such as notes, rests, dynamics (e.g., *ff*, *f*), and articulation marks. A large, diagonal watermark reading "PERUSAL SCORE" is overlaid across the entire page.