

MILLENNIUM CYCLONE

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INSTRUMENTATION

Conductor Score	1
Violin I	8
Violin II	8
Viola	5
Cello	5
String Bass	5
Piano Accompaniment	1

Attention thrill-seekers! Step aboard the *Millennium Cyclone* rollercoaster, and take off on a wild ride filled with twists, turns, ups, and downs. This piece uses repeated 16th-note figures, and dramatically contrasting dynamics delight players!



Please note: Our band and orchestra music is now being collated by an automatic high-speed system. The enclosed parts are now sorted by page count, rather than score order.

PROGRAM NOTES

Millennium Cyclone is a wild, musical rollercoaster ride. The title recalls the “Millennium Force” ride at Sandusky, Ohio, and the famous wooden “Cyclone” coaster at Coney Island, NY. First, the orchestra and audience step aboard the Millennium Cyclone while a calliope plays happily in the amusement park. But then it takes off—with a driving bass line, syncopated accompaniment, and ominous melody. Listen as the coaster charges up and down with great dynamic and pitch changes. Then hear many twists and turns represented by sudden accents and dynamic contrasts, along with screeching clashes in the melody. The calliope melody returns momentarily so we can take a rather queasy breather, before the coaster takes off once again. After rocketing up and down, the ride slows to a breathless close. Please exit to the right, then come back and listen again!

NOTES TO THE CONDUCTOR

This piece will be most effective if care is taken to perform articulations as indicated, and to exaggerate dynamic contrasts. The G-major introduction (mm. 1–8) represents the happy sounds of an amusement park calliope as the riders take their seats on the coaster. After a dramatic *ritardando* (mm. 7–8), the coaster takes off with a driving pizzicato bass line and E-minor syncopated figure in the violas (mm. 9–12). Here, the new “*Suddenly Allegro*” tempo should be played as fast as possible (♩ = 126–144), depending on students’ ability.

The main “coaster” theme is introduced in the violins (m. 13) and taken over by 2nd violins and violas (m. 21). The theme is extended (m. 29–34) with repeated 16th-note patterns. Crazy then ensues (mm. 53–56); the gliss begins on the note indicated, sliding immediately higher for two beats on 1st finger to an arbitrary high note, then back for two beats to the original pitch. Clashing chromatic lines, with a *molto ritardando* and fermata, lead to an extended re-statement of the opening calliope theme (mm. 63–76). This section represents a calmer, gentler portion of the coaster ride, with humorous—even queasy-sounding—accompaniments.

Emphasize the dynamic swells in the Coda. Another *molto ritardando* (mm. 85–86) leads to a final statement of the opening calliope theme, culminating in a tremolo fermata and final unison ‘g’ (m. 91–92—note the dramatic *fp*). Players can exit to the right, and come back on stage for another ride!

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CONDUCTOR SCORE

Duration - 3:30

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Moderato (♩ = 90)

Violins
I *mf*
II *mf*

Viola
mf

Cello
mf

String Bass
mf

Piano Accompaniment
mp

Vlns.
I *mp*
II *mp*

Vla.
mp

Cello
mp

Str. Bass
mp

Pno. Accomp.
p

rit.

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8

[9] Suddenly allegro (♩ = 126-144)

Score for measures 9, 10, and 11. The tempo is **Suddenly allegro** (♩ = 126-144). The key signature is one sharp (F#).

Measures 9-11:

- Vlns. I & II:** *fp* (fortissimo piano), 4/4 time, mostly rests.
- Vla.:** *fp* (fortissimo piano), 4/4 time, mostly rests. In measure 11, it plays a triplet of eighth notes marked *p* (piano).
- Cello:** *fp* (fortissimo piano), 4/4 time, mostly rests. In measure 11, it plays a triplet of eighth notes marked *p* (piano).
- Str. Bass:** *fp* (fortissimo piano), 4/4 time, mostly rests. In measure 11, it plays a triplet of eighth notes marked *p* (piano).
- Pno. Accomp.:** *fp* (fortissimo piano), 4/4 time, mostly rests. In measure 11, it plays a triplet of eighth notes marked *p* (piano).

Measures 9, 10, and 11 are indicated at the bottom of the score.

Score for measures 12, 13, and 14. The tempo is **Suddenly allegro** (♩ = 126-144). The key signature is one sharp (F#).

Measures 12-14:

- Vlns. I & II:** *mp* (mezzo-piano), 4/4 time, mostly rests. In measure 12, they play a triplet of eighth notes marked *legato*. In measure 13, they play a triplet of eighth notes marked *mp*. In measure 14, they play a triplet of eighth notes marked *mf* (mezzo-forte).
- Vla.:** *mp* (mezzo-piano), 4/4 time, mostly rests. In measure 12, it plays a triplet of eighth notes marked *legato*. In measure 13, it plays a triplet of eighth notes marked *mp*. In measure 14, it plays a triplet of eighth notes marked *mf* (mezzo-forte).
- Cello:** *mp* (mezzo-piano), 4/4 time, mostly rests. In measure 12, it plays a triplet of eighth notes marked *legato*. In measure 13, it plays a triplet of eighth notes marked *mp*. In measure 14, it plays a triplet of eighth notes marked *mf* (mezzo-forte).
- Str. Bass:** *mp* (mezzo-piano), 4/4 time, mostly rests. In measure 12, it plays a triplet of eighth notes marked *legato*. In measure 13, it plays a triplet of eighth notes marked *mp*. In measure 14, it plays a triplet of eighth notes marked *mf* (mezzo-forte).
- Pno. Accomp.:** *mp* (mezzo-piano), 4/4 time, mostly rests. In measure 12, it plays a triplet of eighth notes marked *legato*. In measure 13, it plays a triplet of eighth notes marked *mp*. In measure 14, it plays a triplet of eighth notes marked *mf* (mezzo-forte).

Measures 12, 13, and 14 are indicated at the bottom of the score.

4 V V V

17

Vlns. I *mp*

Vlns. II *mp*

Vla. *p*

Cello *p*

Str. Bass *p*

Pno. Accomp. *p*

15 16 17

Vlns. I *mf*

Vlns. II *mf*

Vla. *mp*

Cello *mp*

Str. Bass *mp*

Pno. Accomp. *mp*

18 19 20

Score for measures 21-23, featuring Vlns. I & II, Vla., Cello, Str. Bass, and Pno. Accomp.

Vlns. I: *mp*, *f*, *f*

Vlns. II: *mf*, *f*, *f*

Vla.: *mf*, *f*, *f*

Cello: *legato*, *f*, *f*

Str. Bass: *mp sub.*, *mf*, *mf*

Pno. Accomp.: *mp*, *mp*, *mp*

Measures 21, 22, 23

Score for measures 24-26, featuring Vlns. I & II, Vla., Cello, Str. Bass, and Pno. Accomp.

Vlns. I: *mf*, *mf*, *mf*

Vlns. II: *mp*, *mf*, *mf*

Vla.: *mp*, *mf*, *mf*

Cello: *p*, *mf*, *mf*

Str. Bass: *p*, *mf*, *mf*

Pno. Accomp.: *p*, *mp*, *mp*

Measures 24, 25, 26

Score for Violins (Vlns.), Viola (Vla.), Cello, String Bass (Str. Bass), Piano Accompaniment (Pno. Accomp.), and Percussion (Perc.).

Measures 27-29 are shown. The score includes dynamic markings (*mp*, *f*, *mf*) and articulation marks (*arco*, *V*).

Measure 29 is marked with a box containing the number 29.

Score for Violins (Vlns.), Viola (Vla.), Cello, String Bass (Str. Bass), Piano Accompaniment (Pno. Accomp.), and Percussion (Perc.).

Measures 30-32 are shown. The score includes dynamic markings (*f*, *mf*) and articulation marks (*arco*, *V*).

Measures 30, 31, and 32 are marked with boxes containing the numbers 30, 31, and 32 respectively.

Score for measures 33 to 35. The score includes parts for Vlns. I & II, Vla., Cello, Str. Bass, and Pno. Accomp. The key signature is one sharp (F#). The tempo is marked *fp* (fortissimo piano) for measures 33 and 34, and *f* (fortissimo) for measure 35. The Pno. Accomp. part has a *mf* (mezzo-forte) marking in measure 35. A large red watermark "Preview Only" is overlaid on the score.

33 34 35

Score for measures 36 to 38. The score includes parts for Vlns. I & II, Vla., Cello, Str. Bass, and Pno. Accomp. The key signature is one sharp (F#). The tempo is marked *mp* (mezzo-piano) for measures 36 and 37, and *mf* (mezzo-forte) for measure 38. The Pno. Accomp. part has a *p* (piano) marking in measure 36 and a *mp* (mezzo-piano) marking in measure 37. A large red watermark "Preview Only" is overlaid on the score.

36 37 38

Vlns. I

Vlns. II

Vla.

Cello

Str. Bass

Pno. Accomp.

mp

mp

mp

p

39 40 41

Vlns. I

Vlns. II

Vla.

Cello

Str. Bass

Pno. Accomp.

mf

mf

mf

mf

mp

mp sub.

p

p

42 43 44

45

Vlns. I *mf*

Vlns. II *mf* arco

Vla. *mp*

Cello *mp* pizz.

Str. Bass *mp*

Pno. Accomp. *mf*

45 46

Vlns. I *p sub.*

Vlns. II *p sub.*

Vla. *p*

Cello *p*

Str. Bass *p*

Pno. Accomp. *p*

47 48

Vlns. I

Vlns. II

Vla.

Cello

Str. Bass

Pno. Accomp.

f

p

f

f

f

f

mf

49

50

Vlns. I

Vlns. II

Vla.

Cello

Str. Bass

Pno. Accomp.

p

p

p

p

p

p

51

52

53

Vlns. I 4 p f p f

Vlns. II 4 p f p f

Vla. 1* f p f

Cello 1* f p f

Str. Bass f p f p f

Pno. Accomp. 53 f p f p f 54 55 56

*Slide 1st finger as high as possible and back again on G string **Slide 1st finger as high as possible and back again on D string

Vlns. I f $dim.$

Vlns. II f $dim.$

Vla. f $dim.$

Cello f $dim.$

Str. Bass f $dim.$

Pno. Accomp. mf $dim.$

molto rit.

Vlns.

59 60 61 62

63 Moderato (♩ = 90)

Vlns.

63 64 65 66 67

63 Moderato (♩ = 90)

Pno.
Accomp.

71

Vlns. I

Vlns. II

Vla.

Cello

Str. Bass

Pno. Accomp.

68 69 70 71 72

p *cresc.* *p* *cresc.* *p* *cresc.* *pp* *cresc.*

Vlns. I

Vlns. II

Vla.

Cello

Str. Bass

Pno. Accomp.

73 74 75 76 77

cresc. *f* *rit.* *f* *mf* *rit.* *accel.* *mf* *rit.* *accel.*

79 Allegro (♩ = 126-144)

Vlns.
I
II

Vla.

Cello

Str. Bass

Pno. Accomp.

fp

fp

fp legato

fp pizz.

fp

78 79 80

Vlns.
I
II

Vla.

Cello

Str. Bass

Pno. Accomp.

legato

mp

legato

mp

p

81 82 83

Score for measures 84-86, featuring Violins (Vlns.), Viola (Vla.), Cello, String Bass (Str. Bass), and Piano Accompaniment (Pno. Accomp.).

Measures 84-86 show a dynamic shift from *mf* to *mp* and *p*. The Violins and Viola parts include accents and slurs. The Piano Accompaniment features a prominent chordal texture in the right hand.

Score for measures 87-89, featuring Violins (Vlns.), Viola (Vla.), Cello, String Bass (Str. Bass), and Piano Accompaniment (Pno. Accomp.).

Measures 87-89 show a dynamic shift from *mf* to *mp*. The Violins and Viola parts include accents and slurs. The Piano Accompaniment features a prominent chordal texture in the right hand.

Vlns.
I
II

Vla.

Cello

Str. Bass

Pno. Accomp.

90 91 92

mp
mf
mf
legato
mp sub.
mp
f
mf
mf

Vlns.
I
II

Vla.

Cello

Str. Bass

Pno. Accomp.

93 94 95

mf
mp
mp
p
p
p
mf
mp
p

Vlns. I

Vlns. II

Vla.

Cello

Str. Bass

Pno. Accomp.

mf

mf

mp

96

97

Vlns. I

Vlns. II

Vla.

Cello

Str. Bass

Pno. Accomp.

p

mf

p

mf

p

mf

mf

pp

mp

98

99

I Vlns. *p* *f*

II Vlns. *p* *f*

Vla. *p* *f*

Cello *p* *f*

Str. Bass *p* *f*

Pno. Accomp. *pp* *mf*

100 101

I Vlns. *p* *f*

II Vlns. *p* *f*

Vla. *p* *f*

Cello *p* *f*

Str. Bass *p* *f*

Pno. Accomp. *pp* *mf*

molto rit.

102 103

105 Moderato (♩ = 90)

Vlns. I *mp*

Vlns. II *mp*

Vla. *mp*

Cello *mp*

Str. Bass *mp*

Pno. Accomp. *p*

104 105 106

105 Moderato (♩ = 90)

Vlns. I *rit.*

Vlns. II *rit.*

Vla. *rit.*

Cello *rit.*

Str. Bass *rit.*

Pno. Accomp. *rit.*

107 108 109 110