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# Jungle Hunt

for orchestra

#### Instrumentation

- \* 2 Flutes (2nd doubling Piccolo)
- \* 2 Oboes
- \* 2 Clarinets (2nd doubling Bass Clarinet)
- \* 2 Bassoons (2nd doubling Contrabassoon)
- \* 4 Horns in F
- \* 3 Trumpets in C (3rd possibly in Bb)
- \* 3 Trombones
- \* Tuba
- \* Timpani
- \* Percussion 1 (3 toms, snare drum, 4.3-octave marimba)
- \* Percussion 2 (bass drum, suspended cymbal, tam-tam, 3 wood blocks)
- \* Harp
- \* Strings (no C extensions necessary for double bass)

# Duration

ca. 1'30"

### **Performance Notes**

The score is notated in C. The piccolo sounds an octave higher than written; the contrabassoon and double bass sound an octave lower than written. Since this is a highly programmatic work inspired by a specific image, I have used film scoring conventions in notating the music: large time signatures, horns scored top down rather than 1-3-2-4, and numbers next to every bar. Accidentals last throughout the bar. It may be helpful to conduct all 10/8 and 5/4 bars in two (3 + 2) so as to smooth over the transition between them. At times (such as bar 47) some parts are playing in 10/8 and some in 5/4.

This work does not employ any unusual extended techniques. However, I have attempted to give every player some interesting passages to play. Some of these passages, particularly the winds in bars 37-38, may be somewhat challenging. The flute and clarinet tremolos should all be quite achievable, the flute using the D trill key where necessary (e.g. bar 25). The top G in the oboe in bar 26 is high but standard in modern concert music. Trumpet 3 should perhaps employ a Bb trumpet for more solidity on the lower notes (bars 30-32).

## **Program Notes**

This piece depicts an indigenous hunter traversing a dangerous jungle. The music starts by setting the scene, describing the jungle itself. At rehearsal letter C, the hunt starts, with a focus on the hunter. We hear the suspense and action building until rehearsal letter E, at which point an enormous deer spirit appears striding majestically before the hunter. Finally, as the hunter is overcome by awe, we "zoom out" to see the whole jungle again; the opening melody returns at rehearsal letter F and the music ends triumphantly.

The piece uses two main motifs. The first motif, a sequence of rising thirds derived from the first three notes of the main melody (at rehearsal letter A), permeates the work. The other main motif is the driving 10/8 rhythmic pattern. It appears first as an unpitched ostinato in the toms, but is later elaborated in the cellos and basses. Variants of this second motif are developed throughout the "hunt" section. Finally, as the piece draws to a close, all the musical material is used, including the second motif being echoed briefly in the horn countermelody at bar 54, to tie the whole work together.

























Jungle Hunt 15 G 57 60 Fl. 1 Picc. Ob. 1.2 Cl. in Bb 1.2 Hn in F 1.2 Hn in F 3.4 Tpt in C 1.2.3 Tbn. 1.2 B. Tbn. Timp. Sus. Cym. Нр

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