

SATURN I

Prelude



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Saturn I-III

Saturn I er det første av tre preludier med tittelen SATURN. Denne planet må ikke forveksles med den vi kjenner i dag, det dreier seg om jordens skapelses første begynnelse. Det er ild og varme som hersket der, og de første anlegg til mennesket ble til som varmelegemer, skapt av viljens ånder, Tronene.¹ Siden kommer andre store åndsvesener i fokus - men i begynnelsen har tiden og rommet ennå ikke blitt til. Det hersker 'samtidighet' i alle prosesser i tre første perioder.

Derfor er disse tre preludier 'samtidige' og følger samme modulatoriske mal - som ellers ikke er å betrakte som en utvikling. Det som er "før" og "etter" finner sted i samme åndelige 'rom', man kunne svitsje over fra det ene til det andre, eller snu retningene eller gå i krets om man vil.

Saturnplaneten utvikler seg i syv faser, hvorav disse preludier utgjør de første tre. Fysisk tid og rom blir altså først til etter disse og forsvinner igjen i de siste tre.

Så musikken ender ikke her, men venter på sin fortsettelse...

Orchestra

4 Corni, 2 Cornetti, 3 Trombones, 1 Bass Tuba

Timpani, Gong, Vibraphone, Marimba, Gr.Cassa, Cymbales,

Harp

Male Choir

Strings:

Viola solo and altri, Violoncello solo and altri, Double Bass solo and altri

Saturn I-III

Saturn I is the first of three preludes titled SATURN. This planet should not be understood as the one we know today, this prelude is about the earth and its very beginning. There it was fire and heat that prevailed there, and the first embryo of man consisted only of warmth, created by the great spirits of the will, the Thrones.

Later on other great spirits came at work - but in this initial period time and space are not born yet. It rules 'simultaneity' in all processes in the first three periods of Saturn.

Therefore, these three preludes are 'concurrent' and follow the same modulatory template - which not own to be considered as a development. What is the "before" and "after" is taking place in the same spiritual 'space', one could switch over from one to the other, or reverse direction or going in circle if you like.

The Saturn planet evolves into seven phases, where these preludes constitute the first three ones.

Time, space and eternity are only existing 'after' these, and disappear again in the last three phases.

So music does not end here, but is waiting for its continuation ...

¹ Se Rudolf Steiners beskrivelse i "Vitenskapen om det skjulte" ("Occult Science")

Score

Saturn I

Prelude

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Grave $\text{♩} = 48-52$

The musical score consists of 21 staves, each representing a different instrument or section. The instruments listed on the left are: Horn in F 1, Horn in F 2, Cornetto 1, Cornetto 2, Trombone 1, Trombone 2, Bass Trombone, Bass Tuba, Timpani, Gong, Vibraphone, Marimba, Bass Drums, Cymbal Line, Harp, *) Tenor, Bass, Viola, Viola, Cello, Cello, Contrabass, and Double Bass. The score is set in common time (indicated by '4') and uses a key signature of one sharp (F#). The music begins with sustained notes from most instruments. At measure 10, the Timpani play a rhythmic pattern of eighth and sixteenth notes with dynamics *mf*, *dim.*, and *mp*. The Gong follows with a similar pattern at *mf*. The Vibraphone and Marimba enter with sustained notes. The Bass Drums provide a steady bass line. The Cymbal Line and Harp join in with sustained notes. The Tenor and Bass begin singing at *p*, *dim.*, and *pp* dynamics. The Violas play eighth-note patterns at *mp* and *pizz.* The Cellos and Double Bass provide harmonic support. The Contrabass and Double Bass conclude the section with sustained notes at *mf* and *dim.* dynamics. A large red watermark 'NB' and 'noter' is overlaid across the middle of the page, with a smaller note 'This music is copyright protected' below it.

*Choir: vowel ad lib, corresponding somehow to the dynamic

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A

12

Tim. *mp* *mf* *mp*

Gong *l2*

Vib. *l2*

Mrb. *l2* *mp* *mf*

B. Dr. *l2*

Cym. *l2*

Hp. *l2*

T *cresc.*

B *mf*_{1,2,3,4} *mp* *pp* *cresc.*

Vla. *l2*

Vla. *mf*_{solo} *arco* *mp*

Vc. *l2* *con sord.* *mp* *cresc.*

Cb. *p*

D.B. *mp* *p* *mf* *mp* *mf*

19

Tim. **mf** **mp** **p** **pp** **cresc.**

Gong **mp**

Vib. **f** **mf** **mp**

Mrb. **f**

B. Dr.

Cym. **cresc.** **dim.** **cresc.** **gliss.**

T **mf** **mp** **cresc.** **gliss.**

B **mp** **cresc.**

Vla. **mp**

Vla. **mp** **p**

Vc. **mf** **mp** **p**

Vc. **tr** **p**

Cb. **dim.** **cresc.** **f** **mp** **cresc.**

D.B. **f** **dim.** **cresc.** **f** **mp** **cresc.**

B *accel.*

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rit. *a tempo*

26

Tim. *mf* *p*

Vib. *mf* *f*

B. Dr. *tr* *mp*

Cym. *f* *dim.* *p*

Hp. *f* *mp*

T *f* *p* *dim.*

B *f* *p*

Vla. *f* *cresc.* *ff* *p* *mp*

Vla. *p* *pp* *mp*

Vc. *cresc.* *f* *mf* *ff* *pizz.* *arco*

Vc. *cresc.* *f* *p* *f* *mp* *pizz.*

Cb. *f* *p*

D.B. *f* *p* *mf*

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5

35 C

Tim. *p*

Vib.

Mrb.

Hp.

T. *p*

B. *dim.* *pp* *espress.*

Vla. *dim.* *pp* *mf*

Vla. *ppp* *mp*

Vc. *mp*

Vc. *arco*

Cb. *arco*

D.B. *f*

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D

accel. **Lento**

Tbn. 1

Tbn. 2

B. Tbn.

B. Tba.

Timpani

Gong

Vib.

Mrb.

Hp.

T

B

Vla.

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

D.B.

accel.

Lento

dim.

mf

f

ppp

tr

mp

p

pizz.

arco

mf

arco

dim.

dim.

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7

E

Cto. 1

Cto. 2

Tbn. 1

Tbn. 2

B. Tbn.

B.Tba.

52

Timp.

Vib.

Mrb.

T

B

Vla.

Vla.

Vc.

Vc.

Cb.

D.B.

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Saturn I

55

Cto. 1

Cto. 2

Tbn. 1

Tbn. 2

B. Tbn.

B.Tba.

Tim.

Vib.

Mrb.

T

B

Vla.

Vla.

Vc.

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p cresc.

p cresc.

cresc.

cresc.

cresc.

55

55

55

55

55

mf

mf

cresc.

cresc.

cresc.

f

cresc.

cresc.

cresc.

cresc.

cresc.

64

Hn. 1

Hn. 2 Con sord.

pp

64

Tim. tr tr tr tr pppp mp

Gong

64

Vib. dim. f

64

Mrb. dim.

64

Hp. dim.

64

T dim. pp

B dim. pp

Vla. dim.

Vla. dim.

Vc. dim. p

Vc. dim.

Cb. dim. p mp

D.B. dim. p mp

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Musical score for Saturn I, page 11, system 69. The score includes parts for Hn. 1, Hn. 2, Timpani, Gong, Vibraphone, Marimba, Bassoon, Trombone, Bass, Cello, Double Bass, and Violin. The score shows various dynamics like *mf*, *pp*, and *p*, and performance instructions like "pizz.". A large red watermark "NBB Noter" and "This music is copyright protected" is overlaid across the score.