

BRAD CIECHOMSKI

City of Lights

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About the Composer

Brad Ciechomski (b. 1959) is the Director of Bands at Harrison Middle School in Yarmouth, Maine where he teaches instrumental music in grades 4-8. In Yarmouth, he conducts four concert bands and three jazz bands. Brad received his bachelor's and master's degrees from The University of New Hampshire where he studied composition with Andrew Boysen Jr.

Brad has been chosen as "Teacher-of-the-Year" and is one of 51 teachers in the USA to receive the American Star of Teaching.

As a composer, Brad has received commissions for concert and jazz bands at every grade level, elementary through college. Brad's music is published nationally with Kjos Music, Alfred Music, Kendor and FJH Music.

His published works are often chosen as "editor's choice" by the distributor, JW Pepper. As a veteran middle school educator, Brad has focused his writing on the middle level bands.

Aside from composing, Brad is active in New England as a clinician, adjudicator and guest conductor at district and state music festivals and competitions.

A performer at heart, Brad stays busy as a freelance drummer with local, regional and national artists in the greater New England Area. Brad has appeared on stage with jazz great such as Clark Terry, Mel Torme, Bob Mintzer, The New York Voices, Wayne Bergeron, and Conrad Herwig, John Faddis, Eric Marienthal and Jeff Coffin just to name a few. He has even rocked out with David Crosby of Crosby, Stills and Nash as well as backed up comedian great, Joan Rivers.

Brad lives in South Portland, Maine with his bass playing wife. When not busy with music, you'll find him out on the Atlantic in his boat "Sea Major 7".

About the Composition

City of Lights was commissioned by the Grainger Grade 7 Band, Aurora, Illinois, Jason Dyhouse Director.

In 1837, Aurora, Illinois was the first city to use public electric lights and was nicknamed "The City of Lights." With all my commission projects, I seek to tailor the music to the school's needs and or local meaning. As I learned more of the history of Aurora, Illinois, it became evident to have "electricity" be a part of this music. Jason Dyhouse, the conductor, and the students settled on the title "City of Lights" and worked with me to incorporate electricity into the music.

I feel that electricity is a perplexing part of our lives. It resides in an outlet not far from us, ready for our use; however, unleashed, it can be deadly. As I pondered this concept, the idea of using some electrical sounds in the piece became clear. The dramatic opening reveals harmonic tensions, much like electrical interference might but with unknown consequences. As the opening builds to the chord in measure eleven, I introduce the electrical sound as a palette for the next aleatoric section.

Measures 12–15: As this electrical sound provides the drone for the next measures, we discover the best way to cue and conduct these measures. The conductor should cue the initial entrance, then pass on the cueing to a "section leader" for visual cues.

Meas. 11: Drone enters, band decrescendo.

Meas. 12: Conductor cues Flute, Oboe, Bells (as these notes continue to be cued, a player in the front row of the band stands and continues to cue this group in aleatoric style)

Meas. 13: Conductor cues Alto sax, Trumpets, Horn, bowed Vibraphone, Chimes, Suspended Cymbal, and Gong. (As these notes continue to be cued, a player in the Saxophone section of the band stands and continues to cue this group in aleatoric style.)

Meas. 14: Conductor cues Clarinets. (As these notes continue to be cued, a clarinetist in the front row of the band stands and continues to cue this group in aleatoric style.)

Meas. 15: Conductor cues the crescendo into measure 16 where the tempo is established.

Be sure to balance the electrical drone against the band. All entrances should be heard as well as the drone. The electric sound should gradually fade down in volume starting at measure 16 and end around measure 20

With some experimentation in the rehearsal, your band can discover the best ways to bring this layered build to life. Feel free to amend the notes above to fit your ensemble.

At measure 103: The 2nd electrical sound enters. Again, it should be present and balanced to the ensemble. The sound is timed to end with the piece; however, be sure to have a player ready to end this second drone when the band strikes the last note of the piece. The piece should end dramatically on beat 2 of measure 123.

I hope you enjoy *City of Lights*. Please feel free to contact the composer if you have any questions about performance practice, questions or ideas at www.bradcmusic.com.

Instrumentation List

- 1 – Electrical Noises*
- 8 – Flutes
- 3 – Oboe
- 6 – 1st B♭ Clarinet
- 6 – 2nd B♭ Clarinet
- 2 – B♭ Bass Clarinet
- 3 – Bassoon
- 2 – 1st E♭ Alto Saxophone
- 2 – 2nd E♭ Alto Saxophone
- 2 – B♭ Tenor Saxophone
- 2 – E♭ Baritone Saxophone
- 4 – 1st B♭ Trumpet
- 4 – 2nd B♭ Trumpet
- 6 – F Horn
- 8 – Trombone
- 2 – Euphonium
- 2 – Euphonium TC
- 4 – Tuba
- 2 – Timpani
- 3 – Mallets:
 - Bells
 - Chimes
 - Vibraphone
 - Xylophone
- 3 – Percussion I:
 - Snare Drum
 - Bass Drum
- 2 – Percussion II:
 - 2 Toms (10" & 12")
 - 2 Temple Blocks
- 2 – Percussion III:
 - Suspended Cymbal
 - Gong
 - Tambourine
- 3 – Percussion IV:
 - Triangle
 - Flexatone
 - Brake Drum
 - Crash Cymbals
- I – Full Conductor Score

*Electrical Noises: Download tracks from the Kjos Multimedia Library at <https://www.kjos.com>.

The Electrical Noises part includes the Flute part for reference. It is also indicated in the Mallets Score, and playable by one of those performers.

Approximate performance time—3:45

Additional scores and parts are available.

To hear a recording of this piece or any other publication, please visit www.kjos.com.

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Full Conductor Score

Commissioned by the 7th grade Granger Middle School Band, Aurora, Illinois

City of Lights

Approx. performance time—3:45

Brad Ciechomski
ASCAP

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7 8 9 10 11

Elec.

Fls.

Ob.

B_b Cls.

B_b B. Cl.

Bsn.

E_b A. Saxes

B_b T. Sax.

E_b B. Sax.

B_b Tpts.

F Hn.

Trb.

Euph.

Tuba

Timp.

Bells

Chimes

S.D.
B.D.

T. Blks.
Toms

S. Cym.
Gong

Tri.

12 13 14 15

5" 5"-10" 10" 10"-?"

Elec. play Electrical Noise 1

Fls. continue on cues from 1st Flute

Ob. continue on cues from 1st Flute

1 B♭ Cls. unis. continue on cues from 1st Clarinet

2 B♭ Cls. continue on cues from 1st Clarinet

Bsn. Stagger breath

E♭ A. Saxes 1 Stagger breath

E♭ A. Saxes 2 a2 continue on cues from 1st Alto Sax

B♭ T. Sax. Stagger breath

E♭ B. Sax. Stagger breath

B♭ Tpts. 1 a2 continue on cues from 1st Alto Sax

F Hn. continue on cues from 1st Alto Sax

Trb. Stagger breath

Euph. Stagger breath

Tuba Stagger breath

5" 5"-10" 10" 10"-?"

Timp. mp

Bells continue on cues from 1st Flute

Chimes continue on cues from 1st Alto Sax

Vib. with bow mp

S.D. B.D.

T. Blks. Toms

S. Cym. Gong Scrape with Tri. btr. continue on cues from 1st Alto Sax

Tri. Gong to Tamb.

16 Allegro molto ($\text{♩} = 144$)

Elec.

Fls.

Ob.

1 B♭ Cls.

2 B♭ Cls.

B♭ B. Cl.

Bsn.

E♭ A. Saxes 1
2

B♭ T. Sax.

E♭ B. Sax.

16 Allegro molto ($\text{♩} = 144$)

B♭ Tpts. 1
2

F Hn.

Trb.

Euph.

Tuba

16 Allegro molto ($\text{♩} = 144$)

Timp.

Bells

Xyl.

S.D.
B.D.

T. Blks.
Toms

S. Cym.
Tamb.

Tri.

fade out

17 18 19 20

Snares on

T. Blks.

Toms *S. Cym.*

Tamb. *Tri.*

f *f* *f* *mf*

Fls.

Ob.

B♭ Cls. 1

B♭ Cls. 2

B♭ B. Cl.

Bsn.

E♭ A. Saxes 1

E♭ A. Saxes 2

B♭ T. Sax.

E♭ B. Sax.

B♭ Tpts. 1

F Hn.

Trb.

Euph.

Tuba

Timp.

Bells

Xyl.

S.D.

B.D.

T. Blks.

Toms

S. Cym.

Tamb.

Slap

mp → f

mf

Tri.

31

32

33

34

div.

Fls.

Ob.

B♭ Cls.

B♭ B. Cl.

Bsn.

E♭ A. Saxes 1 2

B♭ T. Sax.

E♭ B. Sax.

B♭ Tpts. 1 2

Str. Mute a2

F Hn.

Trb.

Euph.

Tuba

Timp.

Bells

Xyl.

f
Hard Mallets

S.D.
B.D.

T. Blks.
Toms

S. Cym.
Tamb.

Slap

mp
f

mf

Tri.

Fls. 45 46 47 48 49 50

Ob. f mp cresc.

B♭ Cls. 1 f mp cresc.

B♭ Cls. 2 f

B♭ B. Cl. p cresc.

Bsn. > p cresc.

E♭ A. Saxes 1 2 a2 mf mp cresc.

B♭ T. Sax. > p cresc.

E♭ B. Sax. > p cresc.

B♭ Tpts. 1 2 a2 Open mf mp cresc.

F Hn. > p cresc.

Trb. > p cresc.

Euph. > p cresc.

Tuba > p cresc.

Timp. > p cresc.

Bells > mp cresc.

Chimes > mp cresc.

Xyl. > mp cresc.

S.D. B.D. > p cresc.

T. Blks. Toms > p cresc.

S. Cym. Tamb. mp f > mp cresc.

To Brake Drum

Brk. Dr. >

Fls. 60
Ob. 61 ff 62
B_b Cls. 1 ff
B_b B. Cl. 2 ff
Bsn. ff
E_b A. Saxes 1 2 a2 ff
B_b T. Sax. ff
E_b B. Sax. ff
B_b Tpts. 1 2 ff
F Hn. ff
Trb. ff
Euph. ff
Tuba ff
Timp. ff > > > > ff sfp
Bells ff
Xyl. ff
S.D. B.D. ff mf
T. Blks. Toms ff mf
S. Cym. Tamb. ff ff C. Cyms.
Brk. Dr. C. Cyms. ff

63

63

63

Fls. F. 65 Ob. F. 66

B♭ Cls. 1 B♭ Cls. 2 B♭ Cls. 3

Bsn. E♭ A. Saxes 1 E♭ A. Saxes 2

B♭ T. Sax. E♭ B. Sax.

B♭ Tpts. 1 B♭ Tpts. 2 F Hn.

Trb. Euph. Tuba

Tim. Bells Vib.

S.D. B.D. T. Blks. Toms

S. Cym. Tamb. S. Cym. Tamb. C. Cyms.

C. Cyms.

Fls. 70

Ob. 71

B♭ Cls. 72

B♭ B. Cl. 73

Bsn. 74

E♭ A. Saxes 1

E♭ A. Saxes 2

B♭ T. Sax.

E♭ B. Sax.

B♭ Tpts. 1

F Hn.

Trb.

Euph.

Tuba

Timp.

Bells

Vib.

S.D.
B.D.

T. Blks.
Toms

S. Cym.
Tamb.

C. Cyms.

75

Fls. Ob. B_b Cls. 1
B_b Cls. 2 B_b B. Cl. Bsn. E_b A. Saxes 1
E_b A. Saxes 2 B_b T. Sax. E_b B. Sax.

B_b Tpts. 1 F Hn. Trb. Euph. Tuba

Timp. (pedal gliss.) strike bowl

Bells Xyl. S.D. B.D. Rim Shot tight buzz stroke

T. Blks. Toms Tamb. f

S. Cym. Tamb. f

Flexa. Mark Tree Flexatone

Mark Tree

Fls. Ob. B_b Cls. B_b B. Cl. Bsn. E_b A. Saxes 1 2 B_b T. Sax. E_b B. Sax. B_b Tpts. 1 2 F Hn. Trb. Euph. Tuba Timp. Bells Xyl. S.D. B.D. T. Blks. Toms S. Cym. Tamb. Tri. Mark Tree

80 81 82 83 84

mf

83

norm.

mf

mf

mf

reg. stroke

p *mf* cresc.

Tri.

mf

Fls. 85 Ob. 86 unis. 87 Brk. Dr.

B♭ Cls. ff f ff

B♭ B. Cl. ff f

Bsn. ff f

E♭ A. Saxes 1 ff f

E♭ B. Sax. ff f

B♭ T. Sax. ff f

B♭ Tpts. 1 ff f

F Hn. ff f

Trb. ff f

Euph. ff f

Tuba ff f

Timp. ff f

Bells ff f

Chimes ff f

Xyl. ff f

S.D. ff f

B.D. ff f

T. Blks. ff f

Toms ff f

S. Cym. ff f

Tamb. ff f

Brake Drum

Brk. Dr. ff mf

Fls.

Ob.

B♭ Cls.

B♭ B. Cl.

Bsn.

E♭ A. Saxes 1 2

B♭ T. Sax.

E♭ B. Sax.

B♭ Tpts. 1 2

F Hn.

Trb.

Euph.

Tuba

Timp.

Bells

Chimes

S.D.
B.D.

T. Blks.
Toms

S. Cym.
Tamb.

Brk. Dr.

94

Fls. 95 div.
Ob. 96 97 98

B♭ Cls. 1 unis. fp f
B♭ Cls. 2 ff fp f
B♭ B. Cl. mf ff fp f
Bsn. ff fp f
E♭ A. Saxes 1 mf ff fp f
E♭ A. Saxes 2 ff fp f
B♭ T. Sax. ff fp f
E♭ B. Sax. ff fp f

94

B♭ Tpts. 1 mf ff fp f
F Hn. ff fp f
Trb. ff fp f
Euph. ff fp f
Tuba ff fp f

94

Timp. ff
Bells ff
Xyl. ff
S.D. B.D. f
T. Blks. f
Toms f
S. Cym. f
Tamb. f
Tri. Brk. Dr. f Tri. f
S. Cym. mp

99 100 101 102

103
play Electrical Noise 2

Elec.

Fls. *ff*

Ob. *ff*

1 B♭ Cls. *ff*

2 B♭ Cls. *ff*

B♭ B. Cl. *ff*

Bsn. *ff*

E♭ A. Saxes 1 *ff*

E♭ A. Saxes 2 *ff*

B♭ T. Sax. *ff*

E♭ B. Sax. *ff*

B♭ Tpts. 1 *ff*

B♭ Tpts. 2 *ff*

F Hn. *ff*

Trb. *ff*

Euph. *ff*

Tuba *ff*

Timp. *f*

Bells *ff*

Xyl. *ff*

S.D. *f*

B.D. *f*

T. Blks. *f*

Toms *f*

S. Cym. *f*

Tamb. *f*

Brake Drum

Brk. Dr. *f*

mp

f

103

103

103

104 105 106 107 108

Elec.

Fls.

Ob.

B_b Cls.
1
2

B_b B. Cl.

Bsn.

E_b A. Saxes
1
2

B_b T. Sax.

E_b B. Sax.

B_b Tpts.
1
2

F Hn.

Trb.

Euph.

Tuba

Timp.

Bells

Xyl.

S.D.
B.D.

T. Blks.
Toms

S. Cym.
Tamb.

Brk. Dr.

109

110

111

112

113

Elec.

Fls.

Ob.

1 B♭ Cls.

2

B♭ B. Cl.

Bsn.

E♭ A. Saxes 1 2

B♭ T. Sax.

E♭ B. Sax.

B♭ Tpts. 1 2

F Hn.

Trb.

Euph.

Tuba

Timp.

Bells

Xyl.

S.D.
B.D.

T. Blks.
Toms

S. Cym.
Tamb.

Brk. Dr.
C. Cyms.

114 115 116 117 118

Elec.

Fls.

Ob.

B♭ Cls.
1
2

B♭ B. Cl.

Bsn.

E♭ A. Saxes
1
2

B♭ T. Sax.

E♭ B. Sax.

B♭ Tpts.
1
2

F Hn.

Trb.

Euph.

Tuba

Tim.

Bells

Xyl.

S.D.
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