

Zephyr

For String Orchestra, Grade 4
by Caryn Wigand Niedhold (ASCAP)

Instrumentation

1 - Full Score
8 - Violin 1
8 - Violin 2
3 - Violin 3 (Viola T.C.)
5 - Viola
5 - Cello
5 - Bass*
2 - Drum Set

Note from the Editor:

For this grade 4 level work all parts will utilize basic shifting and extended techniques of glissando and tremolo, while 1st violins and violas additionally explore 2nd position. A Violin 3 part is provided as an alternative/enhancement to Viola.

*A Cello 2 part that doubles the Bass is available at www.randallstandridge.com as a free download.

- Katie O'Hara LaBrie

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Program Notes:

Zephyr is driving rock from beginning to end. Students will love the melodies, syncopations, glissandi, and energetic rhythms. Written specifically for string orchestra, students will sound cool, rad, and even awesome performing this showpiece. Rock on!

Performance Notes:

Zephyr comes from the 1970s hard rock tradition characterized by driving rhythms underlying long melodic lines. Bands like Led Zeppelin, Heart, and Van Halen established this sound, which is currently being kept alive by bands such as Greta Van Fleet and Earthless.

String orchestras can sound great playing rock music, but the rock style is not always easy for advancing string players who have been perfecting classical and romantic techniques. The vibrato in the left hand and classical and romantic bow strokes in the right hand do not create the desired sound for a heavy rock tune like Zephyr. Articulations are often needed on every note for this style of music, making the printed page overwhelming for students.

To help your students play with the rock style, here are some helpful hints:

1. Use either minimal or no vibrato.
2. Glissandos are with the finger depressing the string halfway, resulting in a fast and expressive glissando.
3. Most bow strokes are in the lower half of the bow.
4. All eighth and sixteenth notes are at the frog, off the string, with a heavy brush stroke.
5. Quarter notes are usually detached with a slight accent.
6. Syncopations are almost always accented, whether marked or not.
7. Eighth notes, before a syncopation, are short and on the string.
8. Students can add expressive elements like scoops and fall-offs to add character.

Performing rock music can bridge classical to contemporary music, inspiring string students to make music for life.

- Caryn Wiegand Neidhold



About the Composer

Caryn Wiegand Neidhold is a composer and arranger for student level through professional ensembles. Her focus includes arranging classical "gems" and composing music for eclectic styles, including fiddle, rock, and jazz. With an emphasis on learning technique through literature, Caryn's music always distributes musical challenges to all string sections.

Caryn's background includes extensive work as a middle school educator, Suzuki teacher, and youth symphony conductor and coach. In addition, she has years of performance experience as a violist and violinist with orchestras including the Fairbanks Symphony, New World Symphony, Chautauqua Symphony Orchestra, and the Reno Phil. Caryn enjoys writing articles for music education publications and presenting seminars for string educators.

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Score
Grade 4
Duration 3:15

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Heavy Rock $\text{♩} = 112\text{--}120$

The musical score consists of two systems of staves. The top system (measures 1-4) includes Violin 1, Violin 2, Viola, Cello, Double Bass, and Drum Set. The bottom system (measures 5-8) includes Vln. 1, Vln. 2, Vla., Vc., D.B., and D. S. Measure 1 starts with a dynamic **f**. Measures 2-4 show various rhythmic patterns with grace notes and slurs. Measure 5 begins with a dynamic **mf**. Measures 6-8 continue the rhythmic patterns established in the first section.

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2

Vln. 1

Vln. 2

Vla.

Vc.

D.B.

D. S.

This section contains six staves of musical notation for strings. Measure 9 starts with Vln. 1 playing eighth-note pairs. Measures 10 and 11 show rhythmic patterns involving eighth and sixteenth notes with various slurs and grace marks. Measure 12 begins with a dynamic 'sim.' followed by eighth-note pairs. Measure 13 ends with a repeat sign.

9

10

11

12

13

14

Vln. 1

Vln. 2

Vla.

Vc.

D.B.

D. S.

This section continues with six staves of string music. Measure 14 features eighth-note pairs in Vln. 1. Measures 15 and 16 show sixteenth-note patterns with grace marks. Measure 17 concludes the page with a repeat sign.

14

15

16

17

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Vln. 1

Vln. 2

Vla.

Vc.

D.B.

D. S.

This section contains six staves of musical notation for strings. Measure 18 starts with eighth-note pairs in Vln. 1 and Vln. 2. Measures 19 and 20 show various rhythmic patterns including sixteenth-note groups and eighth-note pairs. Measure 21 concludes with eighth-note pairs in Vln. 1 and Vln. 2.

18

19

20

21

Vln. 1

Vln. 2

Vla.

Vc.

D.B.

D. S.

This section continues with six staves. Measures 22 and 23 feature eighth-note pairs in Vln. 1 and Vln. 2. Measures 24 and 25 show more complex patterns, including sixteenth-note groups and eighth-note pairs. Measure 25 includes dynamic markings *f* and *f* 1/2 pos. for the bassoon.

22

23

24

25

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4

Vln. 1

Vln. 2

Vla.

Vc.

D.B.

D. S.

26 27 28 29

30

Vln. 1

Vln. 2

Vla.

Vc.

D.B.

D. S.

30 31 32 33

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Vln. 1 Vln. 2 Vla. Vc. D.B. D. S.

34 35 36 37

Vln. 1 Vln. 2 Vla. Vc. D.B. D. S.

38 39 40 41

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6

Violin 1 f

Violin 2 f

Cello f

Bassoon f

D. S. f

42 43 44 45

Violin 1 -

Violin 2 -

Cello -

Bassoon -

D. S. -

Hi-Hat + > o + >

46 47 48 49

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50

Vln. 1

Vln. 2

Vla.

Vc.

D.B.

D. S.

50 51 52 53

Vln. 1

Vln. 2

Vla.

Vc.

D.B.

D. S.

54 55 56 57

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8

58

Vln. 1

Vln. 2

Vla.

Vc.

D.B.

D. S.

58 59 60 61

Vln. 1

Vln. 2

Vla.

Vc.

D.B.

D. S.

62 63 64 65

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66

Vln. 1

Vln. 2

Vla.

Vc.

D.B.

D. S.

f

f

non div.

ff

non div.

ff

ff

ff

ff

ff

mf

66

67

ff

ff

mf

68

69

Vln. 1

Vln. 2

Vla.

Vc.

D.B.

D. S.

f

f

ff

ff

mf

70

71

o +

o +

o +

o +

1/2 pos.

72

73

74

Vln. 1 tip -2
Vln. 2 tip
Vla. tip -2
Vc. f
D.B. mf
D. S. Ride & Ride Bell ad lib.

74 75 76 77

Vln. 1
Vln. 2
Vla.
Vc.
D.B.
D. S.

78 79 80 81

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82

Vln. 1 *f*

Vln. 2 4

Vla. *f*

Vc. *f*

D.B. *f*

D. S. Ride

82 83 84 85

Vln. 1

Vln. 2 4

Vla.

Vc.

D.B. -4

D. S. ,

86 87 88 89

90

Vln. 1 *ff*

Vln. 2 *ff*

Vla. *ff*

Vc. *ff*

D.B. *ff*

D. S.

90 91 92 93

Vln. 1

Vln. 2

Vla.

Vc.

D.B.

D. S.

94 95 96 97

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