

Almatira

for solo flute and mechanical music box



for Stephen Dembski

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flute solo

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*Open music box lid **

"Altamira" music box

$\text{♩} = \text{ca } 50$

D E / Mi (Sis) B

mp

mp

p

Slightly slower, more subdued

*Turn toward music box ***

f

sub. mf

mp

mp

p

ppp

A tempo, sudden

Event 1

(with 32nd notes in electronics)

f

pp sf

**** decay with electronics*

Tilt head and flute slightly upward

Event 2

"l.v."

Remain stationary

f

Event 3

(simile)

f

pp sf

decay with electronics

Tilt head and flute slightly upward

Event 4

Stationary

A little slower, as before

(Normal)

mf

mp

mp

p

Slower still. warm and full

A tempo

Turn toward music box

Event 5

f

pp

sf

Event 6

Stationary

Turn back to center, slightly upward

* A small, Swiss music box on a table to one side of the performer plays Stephen Dembski's "Altamira"

** Perform all such physical actions with a subtle drama. Clearly enacted but not severe.

*** Follow natural decay of electronics, adding last two *sf* 32nd notes just as the sound recedes below the flute level.

Flute Part: The Music Box

Measures 51-62: A little slower than Tempo I, warm and full. Dynamics: *mp*, *p*, *pp*, *poco p*, *mf*, *p*, *poco*, *mf*. Tempo I° *espress.*

Measures 63-72: Dynamics: *p*, *molto*, *mf*, *mf*, *mp*. Tempo I°.

Measures 73-85: A little slower. Dynamics: *p*, *mf*, *mp*, *ppp*. Turn toward music box.

Event 7 (Measures 86-91): Dynamics: *f*. Decay with electronics.

Event 8 (Measures 92-97): Stationary. Dynamics: *sf*, *pp*, *f*, *mp*, *p*. Turn toward music box.

Measures 98-104: A new character. Dynamics: *mp*, *poco*, *f*, *mp*, *p*. Tempo I°.

Measures 105-121: A little slower. Dynamics: *mp*, *p*, *mp*, *p*, *ppp*. Turn toward music box.

Measures 122-125: A tempo (no electronics). Dynamics: *mf*, *pp*, *sf*. Tilt head and flute slightly upward. Remain stationary.

Measures 126-128: Dynamics: *f*, *pp*, *sf*. Tilt head and flute slightly upward. Stationary. Close music box lid.