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Trash Can-certo

by Dan Moore

Medium-Advanced - 4:39 / 5 - 13 Players

Instrumentation

- (2) to (6) 20 Gallon Metal Trash Cans,**
- (3) to (7) 30 Gallon Metal Trash Cans,**
- (4) Various Mounted Metal Implements (pitched low to high),**
- (3) Mounted Metal Pipes (pitched low to high)**

Trash Can-certo

Program Notes

Trash Can-Certo features a solo multi-percussionist performing on a variety of metal instruments, accompanied by four players on metal trash cans. The Mad Men at Row-Loff Productions have elevated trash can music to an art form, and I am honored to add my can-certo to their collection.

Trash Can-Certo is composed in a classical style using three different themes that are developed by both soloist and ensemble. The opening theme borrows rhythms found in traditional Chinese percussion music; the second borrows from Pulitzer Prize winning composer David Lang (you might hear hints of his 1991 solo metallic percussion composition *The Anvil Chorus*). The last section is an homage to those great masters of the trash can canon: Chris Crockarell, Chris Brooks, Ed Argenziano, and John R. Hearnese - true can artists.

This piece requires percussionists to hone their ability to coax musical and interesting sounds from non-traditional instruments - which is our job as percussionists, after all.

I hope you enjoy performing *Trash Can-Certo*.

Trash Can-certo

Performance Notes

The percussion soloist part includes the following instruments and implements:

- 1) A non-resonant metal such as a muted cowbell or bell plate (bottom space)
- 2) Two resonant metals such as automobile brake drums (2nd and 3rd spaces)
- 3) A “trashy” metal sound such as a ribbon crasher or cymbal stack (top space)
- 4) Three graduated metal pipes with high pitches (2nd, 3rd, and 4th lines)
- 5) Small trash can with legs or on a stand
- 6) Drumsticks

Players 1 and 2 use smaller trash cans.

Players 3 and 4 use larger trash cans.

Players use the following implements:

Player 1: drumsticks, hard plastic brushes such as the Innovative Percussion BR 9

Player 2: drumsticks, triangle beaters

Player 3: drumsticks, marimba mallet, triangle beater

Player 4: drumsticks, bass drum beater

The four accompanying players may perform either all seated or all standing; the soloist should stand.

Performance directions for all trash cans:

- 1) Shell or side of can (1st space)
- 2) Center of can head (2nd space)
- 3) Edge of can head (3rd space)
- 4) Rim of can (4th space)
- 5) Players 1 and 4 have cross stick rim clicks marked above the staff
- 6) Double stops are performed by hitting both sides of the can at the same time
- 7) Stick shots are played by resting one stick on the head of the can and striking with the other
- 8) (+) indicates dampen with the hand; (0) indicates open or let vibrate

Trash Can-Certo

for solo percussion and metal trash cans

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ASCAP

graduated pipes
(high pitches)

Various metal instruments
(lower pitches)

♩ = 120

2 3

Pipes & Metal

Trash Can

(shell, center, edge, rim)

Trash Can 1
(20 gallon)

(shell, center, edge, rim)

f p

cross stick

Trash Can 2
(20 gallon)

(shell, center, edge, rim)

f p

Trash Can 3
(30 gallon)

(shell, center, edge, rim)

cross stick

f p

Trash Can 4
(30 gallon)

(shell, center, edge, rim)

4 5 6 7

Pipes & Metal

Trash Can

Trash Can 1

ff p

Trash Can 2

ff f p

Trash Can 3

ff f p

Trash Can 4

f p ff

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8 9 10 11

Pipes & Metal

Trash Can

Trash Can 1

Trash Can 2

Trash Can 3

Trash Can 4

f *f* *ff* *ff*

A metal

13 14 15

Pipes & Metal

Trash Can

Trash Can 1

Trash Can 2

Trash Can 3

Trash Can 4

f

double stop

double stop

double stop

double stop

R L L L L L L L L R R R R R R R R L L L L L L L L L R R R R R R R

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72 73 74 75

Pipes & Metal

Trash Can

Trash Can 1

Trash Can 2

Trash Can 3

Trash Can 4

Stick shot

f

p

76 77 78

Pipes & Metal

Trash Can

Trash Can 1

Trash Can 2

Trash Can 3

Trash Can 4

f

ff

ff

ff

f

ff

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G

pipes

Pipes & Metal
mf

80 81 82

Trash Can

Trash Can 1

Trash Can 2

Trash Can 3

Trash Can 4

Pipes & Metal

83 84 85 86

Trash Can

Trash Can 1
f

Trash Can 2
f

Trash Can 3

Trash Can 4
w / stick
f *w / bd beater*

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87 88 89 90

Pipes & Metal

Trash Can

Trash Can 1

Trash Can 2

Trash Can 3

mf

Trash Can 4

91 92 93 94

Pipes & Metal

Trash Can

Trash Can 1

Trash Can 2

Trash Can 3

Trash Can 4

w / bd beater