

THE TEMPLE AT DİVRİĞİ

DİVRİĞİ'DEKİ TAPINAK

For

Piccolo Flute, Flute, Oboe, 2 Clarinets in B, 2 Bassoons, 2 Horns in F, 2 Trompetes, 2 Trombones Tb, Timpani, 2 Bass Drums, Cymbal, Tam-tam, 8 Violines-1, 8 Violines-2, 4 Violas, 4 Violoncellos, 2 ContraBasses

by

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The piece is written to be used for good causes.

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FORWORD

I came to appreciate the The Temple at Divriği –a mosque and an adjacent hospital through Doğan KUBAN's marvellous book 'The Divriği Miracle'. It is patroned by Ahmed Shah in 1228-29 AC. Şifahane-The Hospital has his wife Melike Turan's name written. It is built by Hürrem Shah of AHLAT and an international team.

Doğan Kuban explains extensively the style attributes of the building. I tried to read and learn every detail by heart from his book. After this process, I began composing. I may not be completely aware of how much I have taken, the real time performance by humanbeings may bring out that.

As this is a symphonic poem, some features of Divriği Temple can be observed in my piece. Most notably, the tree of life in three layers just like the ornamentation of the north crown entrance. The herald birds which is common in the Anatolian culture. Maybe some more abstract items, the heavy colon and inner architecture, the subtle ornamentations of the mihrab, multilayered ornamentation that loses symmetry at lower levels.

The Divriği temple complex was left unfinished for a mysterious reason. It is either the patron/architect died or it is the Moguls who attacked the city around that time. I chose the second possibility to convey the disastrous effect of the use of force on the religion itself.

INTRODUCTION

This is a symphonic poem written for a standard orchestra. It is 11 minutes long, 31 full part pages, 231 bars. It is roughly A B – C – b a D.

It is written in a couple of months including the preparation, in summer 2017.

What I like the most is the heraldic bird voices, which I had never intended or prepared for. But I had truly admired the pictures of bird motives at the door of the hospital. Bird motive is a common element in the Anatolian culture, indicating good news are coming soon. Even my mom uses this when she does fortune telling with my coffee cup.

The percussion section fits its purpose by resembling force inherently. The use of 2 Bass Drums is not my idea. It belongs to my subconscious which also told me to put in a two drum Turkish war rhythm. There was a partial disorder and I suddenly noticed, I was using 2 bass drums.

The feminine theme is also dictated by the music itself, name. I happened to write it while playing with the rhythm of the final.

The rhythm of the final is 3/8+2/8+3/8 which equals to 4/4 was pure design and belongs to my conscious and endeavour to find a middle solution between regular and irregular rhythms.

The D section, 12 tone part is pure calculation and design, like any religious abstraction. The use of crab begins here and continues with the crabs of three life trees. This was difficult and pure calculation.

The coming of Moguls had to appear suddenly by surprise. After some deliberations, I used sudden tutti rests and cut half the end of the first theme's repetition. This fits very good as I had not used rest up till the end. The use of percussion only at the end also resembles the sudden attack of Moguls.

I wrote the Moguls part first, then the beginning theme and others.

ANALYSIS

The first 8 bars is repeated three times. It gives a view of the temple from far a way. It is polymodal. There are Huseyni and Kurdi modes with D as a common tonic. A dissonant interval of E-Eflat is repeated rhythmically in the second 8 bars. This rhythm comes as a major element at the final section. 4th 8 bars are prolonged and has a transitional function.

At bar 23 we have approached to the North Crown entrance of the temple. Three trees of life are heard till bar 36. There is a transitional material till bar 54. This material has heraldic bird voices. Till bar 61 therre is a final step of the transition, which resembles the opening of the north door.

The B theme comes on Trombone and Tuba, doubled. This gives the impression of volume inside the temple. Bar 66 introduces a feminine theme which belongs to Melike Turan, wife of Ahmed Shah. This theme also reminds me of the subtle ornamentations of the niche at the back of the religio us ceremony leader (mihrap). May be the TBN-Tuba theme belongs to Ahmed Shah, I do not know. This section finishes bar 111 but it repeats the feminine theme while the C sections 12 tone theme begins.

12 bars 6 + 6 repetitions of feminine theme overlapping 12 tone theme twice till bar 126. 12 tone comes alone as an abstraction related to the medical practice in a religous building. 12 tone comes 3 times, first normal 2nd and third modulated and crab.

Bars 156-163 transition to life trees. Bars 167-177 three time tree of life in crab form. 178-185 the door of the north entrance, for getting out.

Bar 186 sudden silence.

Bars 187-193 very beginning, we are getting far from the north entrance. But there is sudden short silence.

Bars 194, the far noise of Moguls attacking, it approaches and “DOMINATES” everything.

SCORE

The Temple

Divriği

Ali Riza SARAL

$\text{♩} = 40$

A musical score for 'The Temple' by Ali Riza SARAL. The score consists of 19 instrument parts, each with its name and corresponding staff. The instruments are: Piccolo, Flute, Oboe, B♭ Clarinet, Bassoon, B♭ Trumpet, Trombone, Tuba, 2 Horns in F, Timpani, Bass Drum1, Bass Drum2, Cymbal, Tam-tam, Violin, Violin, Viola, Violoncello, and Contrabass. The score is divided into ten staves, each representing a different instrument. The first staff contains the Piccolo, Flute, Oboe, B♭ Clarinet, Bassoon, B♭ Trumpet, Trombone, Tuba, and 2 Horns in F. The second staff contains Timpani, Bass Drum1, Bass Drum2, Cymbal, and Tam-tam. The third staff contains Violin, Violin, and Viola. The fourth staff contains Violoncello. The fifth staff contains Contrabass. The score includes various musical markings such as dynamics (mp, p, pp) and performance instructions like grace notes and slurs.

8

J=44

J=72

Picc.

Fl. *mp*

Ob. *p*

B♭ Cl. *mp*

Bsn. *p*

B♭ Tpt. *pp* *p*

Tbn. *pp*

Tba.

2 F Hn. *pp*

Timp.

B. Dr.1

B. Dr.2

Cym.

Tam-tam

Vln. *pp* *pp*

Vln. *pp* *pp*

Vla. *pp*

Vc. *pp*

Cb. *pp*

Picc.

Fl. *p*

Ob. *p*

B♭ Cl. *p*

Bsn.

B♭ Tpt. *p*

Tbn. *pp*

Tba.

2 F Hn. *pp*

Timp.

B. Dr.1

B. Dr.2

Cym.

Tam-tam

Vln. *pp*

Vln. *pp*

Vla. *pp*

Vc. *pp*

Cb. *pp*

Picc.

Fl.

Ob.

B♭ Cl.

Bsn.

B♭ Tpt.

Tbn.

Tba.

2 F Hn.

Timp.

B. Dr.1

B. Dr.2

Cym.

Tam-tam

Vln.

Vln.

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

Picc.

Fl.

Ob.

B♭ Cl.

Bsn.

B♭ Tpt.

Tbn.

Tba.

2 F Hn.

Timp.

B. Dr.1

B. Dr.2

Cym.

Tam-tam

Vln.

Vln.

Vla.

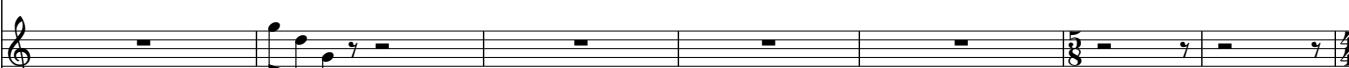
Vc.

Cb.

35

Picc. 

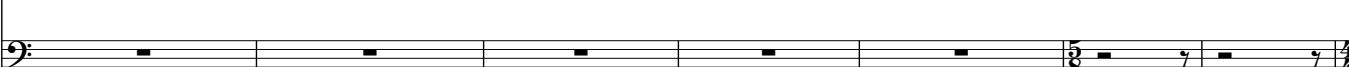
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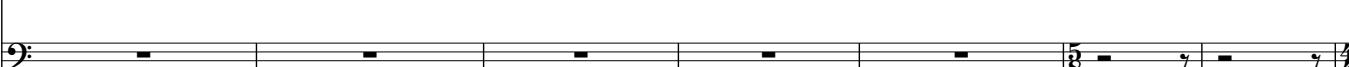
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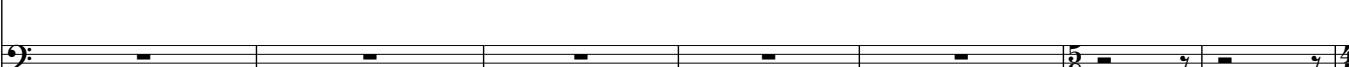
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Bsn. 

B♭ Tpt. 

Tbn. 

Tba. 

2 F Hn. 

Timp. 

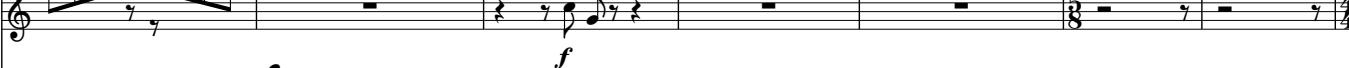
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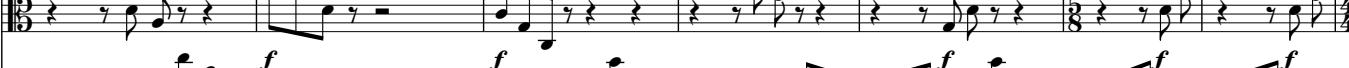
B. Dr. 2 

Cym. 

Tam-tam 

Vln. 

Vln. 

Vla. 

Vc. 

Cb. 

Picc.

Fl.

Ob.

B♭ Cl.

Bsn.

B♭ Tpt.

Tbn.

Tba.

2 F Hn.

Timp.

B. Dr. 1

B. Dr. 2

Cym.

Tam-tam

Vln.

Vln.

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

49

Picc.

Fl.

Ob.

B♭ Cl.

Bsn.

B♭ Tpt.

Tbn.

Tba.

2 F Hn.

Timp.

B. Dr. 1

B. Dr. 2

Cym.

Tam-tam

Vln.

Vln.

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

Picc.

Fl.

Ob.

B♭ Cl.

Bsn.

B♭ Tpt.

Tbn.

Tba.

2 F Hn.

Timp.

B. Dr.1

B. Dr.2

Cym.

Tam-tam

Vln.

Vln.

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

Picc.

Fl.

Ob.

B♭ Cl.

Bsn.

B♭ Tpt.

Tbn.

Tba.

2 F Hn.

Timp.

B. Dr.1

B. Dr.2

Cym.

Tam-tam

Vln.

Vln.

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

Picc.

Fl. *mp*

Ob.

B♭ Cl. *mp*

Bsn.

B♭ Tpt.

Tbn. *mp*

Tba.

2 F Hn. *p*

Timp. *p*

B. Dr. 1

B. Dr. 2

Cym.

Tam-tam

Vln. *mp*

Vln. *mp*

Vla.

Vc. *mp*

Cb. *p*

Picc.

Fl.

Ob. *mp*

B♭ Cl. *mp*

Bsn.

B♭ Tpt.

Tbn.

Tba. *mf*

2 F Hn.

Timp.

B. Dr. 1

B. Dr. 2

Cym.

Tam-tam

Vln. *mp*

Vln.

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

Picc.

Fl.

Ob. *mf*

B♭ Cl. *mf*

Bsn.

B♭ Tpt.

Tbn.

Tba.

2 F Hn.

Timp.

B. Dr. 1

B. Dr. 2

Cym.

Tam-tam

Vln. *mf*

Vln.

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

Picc.

Fl.

Ob.

B♭ Cl.

Bsn.

B♭ Tpt.

Tbn.

Tba.

2 F Hn.

Timp.

B. Dr.1

B. Dr.2

Cym.

Tam-tam

Vln. *mp*

Vln. *mf*

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

Picc.

Fl.

Ob.

B♭ Cl.

Bsn.

B♭ Tpt.

Tbn.

Tba.

2 F Hn.

Timp.

B. Dr.1

B. Dr.2

Cym.

Tam-tam

Vln.

Vln.

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

Picc. -

Fl. - *mf*

Ob. -

B♭ Cl. -

Bsn. - *mf*

B♭ Tpt. - *mf*

Tbn. - *mf*

Tba. -

2 F Hn. - *mf*

Timp. -

B. Dr.1 -

B. Dr.2 -

Cym. -

Tam-tam -

Vln. -

Vln. -

Vla. -

Vc. -

Cb. -

Picc.

Fl. *mp*

Ob. *mf*

B♭ Cl.

Bsn.

B♭ Tpt. *f* *mf*

Tbn. *mf*

Tba.

2 F Hn. *mf*

Tim. *mf*

B. Dr. 1

B. Dr. 2

Cym.

Tam-tam

Vln.

Vln.

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

Picc. -

Fl. *mf*

Ob.

B♭ Cl. -

Bsn. *mp* *f* *mf*

B♭ Tpt. *mf* *f* *mf*

Tbn. *mf* *mf*

Tba. -

2 F Hn. -

Tim. *mf*

B. Dr. 1 -

B. Dr. 2 -

Cym. -

Tam-tam -

Vln. -

Vln. -

Vla. -

Vc. -

Cb. -

128

Picc.

Fl.

Ob.

B♭ Cl.

Bsn.

B♭ Tpt.

Tbn.

Tba.

2 F Hn.

Timp.

B. Dr. 1

B. Dr. 2

Cym.

Tam-tam

Vln.

Vln.

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

141

Picc.

Fl.

Ob.

B♭ Cl.

Bsn.

B♭ Tpt.

Tbn.

Tba.

2 F Hn.

Timp.

B. Dr. 1

B. Dr. 2

Cym.

Tam-tam

Vln.

Vln.

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

154

Picc.

Fl.

Ob.

B♭ Cl.

Bsn.

B♭ Tpt.

Tbn.

Tba.

2 F Hn.

Timp.

B. Dr. 1

B. Dr. 2

Cym.

Tam-tam

Vln.

Vln.

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

162

Picc.

Fl.

Ob.

B♭ Cl.

Bsn.

B♭ Tpt.

Tbn.

Tba.

2 F Hn.

Timp.

B. Dr.1

B. Dr.2

Cym.

Tam-tam

Vln.

Vln.

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

Picc.

Fl.

Ob.

B♭ Cl.

Bsn.

B♭ Tpt.

Tbn.

Tba.

2 F Hn.

Timp.

B. Dr.1

B. Dr.2

Cym.

Tam-tam

Vln.

Vln.

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

Picc.

Fl.

Ob.

B♭ Cl.

Bsn.

B♭ Tpt.

Tbn.

Tba.

2 F Hn.

Timp.

B. Dr.1

B. Dr.2

Cym.

Tam-tam

Vln.

Vln.

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

Picc.

Fl.

Ob.

B♭ Cl.

Bsn.

B♭ Tpt.

Tbn.

Tba.

2 F Hn.

Timp.

B. Dr.1

B. Dr.2

Cym.

Tam-tam

Vln. *f*

Vln.

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

185

J = 52

Picc.

Fl.

Ob.

B♭ Cl.

Bsn.

B♭ Tpt.

Tbn.

Tba.

2 F Hn.

Timp.

B. Dr.1

B. Dr.2

Cym.

Tam-tam

Vln.

Vln.

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

J = 66

Picc.

Fl.

Ob.

B♭ Cl.

Bsn.

B♭ Tpt.

Tbn.

Tba.

2 F Hn.

Timp.

B. Dr. 1

B. Dr. 2

Cym.

Tam-tam

Vln. *p* Pizz.

Vln. *p* Pizz.

Vla. *p* Pizz.

Vc.

Cb. *p* Pizz.

Picc.

Fl.

Ob.

B♭ Cl.

Bsn.

B♭ Tpt.

Tbn.

Tba.

2 F Hn.

Timp.

B. Dr.1

B. Dr.2

Cym.

Tam-tam

Vln.

Vln.

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

209

$\text{♩} = 92$ $\text{♩} = 96$ $\text{♩} = 100$ $\text{♩} = 104$ $\text{♩} = 108$

Picc.

Fl.

Ob.

B♭ Cl.

Bsn.

B♭ Tpt.

Tbn.

Tba.

2 F Hn.

Timp.

B. Dr. 1

B. Dr. 2

Cym.

Tam-tam

Vln.

Vln.

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

216

Picc.

Fl.

Ob.

B♭ Cl.

Bsn.

B♭ Tpt.

Tbn.

Tba.

2 F Hn.

Timp.

B. Dr. 1

B. Dr. 2

Cym.

Tam-tam

Vln.

Vln.

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

PARTS

Parts are available on demand by e-mail.

Short Article

Every bullet fired returns back to the firing.

We all belong to the same whole.

We all belong to the unity of being.

If you fire at someone

You are firing at yourself in fact.

Every bullet fired belongs to the caos.

Not the truth as it is called.

Every bullet fired in the darkness

Juditious or not, right or wrong

Hurts our unity of being.

It hurts our beliefs, dreams, ideas.

About the Composer

Ali R+ SARAL has studied double majors and has two Master's degrees, MSc and BSC from Istanbul Technical University and MM from Illinois State University. He was accepted to the Istanbul State Conservatoire Composition and Theory Department and studied harmony, counterpoint and others with Erçivan SAYDAM, composition with İlhan USMANBAŞ. He was a student of Roque CORDERO and Arthur CORRA at USA.

He has attended courses at Stanford University CCRMA lab and Darmstad 1996. He has written 30 works of music 5 hours 40 minutes long. You can find his compositions at Petrucci Library: http://imslp.org/wiki/Category:Saral,_Ali_Riza

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List of Compositions

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ALİ RIZA SARAL¹

Isparta, 1960

Chant and Orchestra

Ani's Papyrus² "Mezzosoprano, Bas Bariton, Koro ve Orkestra İçin Oratoryo", 2002 (**19'**)

Rumi Cantata "BACH cantata setup" (SATB solistler, SATB koro, yaylı çalgılar orkestrası), 2015 (**14'**)

Stood Her in Pain (Voices: mixed chorus (SATB), Orchestra: piccolo, flute, oboe, clarinet (B♭), bassoon, horn (F), trumpet (B♭), tenor trombone, timpani, cymbals, strings), 2017 (**15'**)

Orchestra

Missing Spaces³ (yaylı çalgılar orquestrası), 1999 (**6'**)

The Secret at the Light House (yaylı çalgılar orkestrası⁴), 2014 (10')

The Temple at Divriği (orquestra⁵), 2017 (11')

Chamber Music

Obua ve Piyano İçin Üç Parça⁶, 1988 (9')

Passacaglia "Dört Çalgı Partisi İçin), 1988 (**3'**)

¹ Bestecinin eserlerinin tümü; **Petrucci** kütüphaneindedir:

http://imslp.org/wiki/Category:Saral,_Ali_Riza

² "The Book of Dead" üzerine kurulu

³ Kayıp Boşluklar

⁴ 4-3-2-2-1

⁵ Picc, Fl, Ob, SibCl, Fg, 2 Sib Tr, 2 Tbn Tb, Timp, 2 B. Drums, Cymb, Tam-tam, 8 Vl-1, 8Vl-2, 4 Vla, 4 Vlc, 2 CB

⁶ Three Pieces for Oboe and Piano

Calls from the Past (Trio; flüt, obua, fagot), 1988 (5)

Mutations - Mutation of Variation towards Sonata (Nefesli Beşli: flüt, obua, klarnet, fagot, korno), 1989 (9)

Improvisation (viyola, piyano), 1990 (6')

Viyola ve Piyano için Sonat ⁷, 2000 (14')

String Quartet No.1, 2001 (20')

Trio for Oboe, Cello and Piano, 2012 (9')

String Quartet 2 "Ottoman Suite", 2015 (20')

Patterns "Wind Trio, For Flute, Clarinet, Bassoon", 2015 (12')

Rumi's Warning "Two Harps", 2016 (4')

ThaLaasSaaa They Shouted "Percussion Ensemble", 2016 (6')

Solo Çalgı

The Musical Riddle (viyolonsel), 1991 (7')

Piyano İçin Sonat, 2001 (15')

"Aural Poem" Gitar İçin Sonat, 2003, 15'

41 Variations on a Hymn (gitar), 2015 (25')

Chant/Choir

Gönül Kimi Severse "Eskişehir Oyun Müzikleri Üzerine Koro, Gitar, Kaşık, Flüt İçin Düzenleme" (süit biçiminde), 1985 (10')

Tribute to the Wise One ⁸ "SATB Çift Koro İçin" (sonat formunda), 1994) (14')

Anatolia ⁹ "Eşiksiz Solo Ses İçin Etüt", 2000 (5' - ~)

Parody of Words "Eşiksiz Solo Ses İçin", 2016 (6')

My Mom's Prayer ¹⁰ "Eşiksiz Solo Ses İçin", 2017 (1')

⁷ Ruşen Güneş için

⁸ Bilge Kişinin Onuruna Sunu

⁹ Anadolu. Bestecinin İngilizce notu: limited aleatory sketches on transparent paper

¹⁰ Anadolu. Bestecinin İngilizce notu: limited aleatory sketches on transparent paper

Chant and accompany

The Music of Words “Secular Cantata for Soprano and Pierrot Quintet” (flüt/pikolo flüt, klarnet, keman, viyolonsel, piyano), 2013 (15’)

Oh My God Where are You “Sacred Cantata For Vocal Soloists” (soprano, tenor, flute, horn, percussion, harp, viola¹¹), 2015 (14')

Electro-acoustic music

Death on the Border “Bilgisayar, 4 Trombon ve Ses Bandı İçin”, 1992 (11')

¹¹ Triangle - Tambur – Cymbal, Tenor drum - snare drum(snares off)