



*Stars  
at  
Happy Canyon*

**Perf** **USA!**

The background of the image is a dark, star-filled night sky. In the foreground, there are silhouettes of several trees, including a prominent one on the left with yellow autumn leaves. Overlaid on the image is a large, stylized title. The word "Stars" is at the top in white script, followed by "at" in smaller white script, and "Happy Canyon" in white script below it. A large red diagonal banner across the middle contains the words "Perf" and "USA!" in white. The "P" and "U" are cut out, revealing the background stars.

**Stars at Happy Canyon (5') for Wind Ensemble.** The piece is about an area south of Denver, Colorado special to the composer. It is calm and beautiful with few traffic lights and removed from the busy areas of nearby cities. Nestled in the forest and surrounded by mountains the stars are exceptionally visible and bright. The music reflects the calm beauty of the canyon and the powerful natural landscape.

For performers, focus on the fluidity of the musical lines, creating large lush dynamic swells, and colorful/bright ornamentation. Have several mallet types (brass/rubber, soft-hard) ready for the orchestral bell player. References about love and cookies are written into the clarinet line (\*).

## Instrumentation

Flute 1/2  
Oboe 1/2  
Bassoon 1/2  
Contrabassoon  
Clarinet in Bb 1/2/3  
Bass Clarinet  
Contrabass Clarinet  
Alto Saxophone 1/2  
Tenor Saxophone 1/2  
Baritone Saxophone

Trumpet in Bb 1/2/3  
Horn in F 1/2/3/4  
Trombone 1/2/3  
Bass Trombone  
Euphonium  
Tuba  
Double Bass

Orchestral Bells  
Vibraphone  
Wind Chimes  
Triangle  
Suspended Cymbal



# *Stars at Happy Canyon*

for Wind Ensemble

Duration 5'00"

**Andante** ♩ = 84  
Freely, Legato

Thomas Willmann



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Fl. 1 *mp*

Fl. 2 *mp*

Ob. 1 *mp*

Ob. 2 *f* *mp* *p* *mp*

Bsn. 1 *f* *mp*

Bsn. 2 *f* *mp*

Cbsn. *mf* *sffz* *f* *mp*

Cl. 1 *mf*

Cl. 2 *mp*

Cl. 3 *f* *mp* *p*

B. Cl. *mp*

Cb. Cl.

A. Sax. 1 *mp*

A. Sax. 2 *mp*

T. Sax. 1 *mf* *sffz* *f* *mp*

T. Sax. 2 *mf* *sffz* *f* *mp*

Bari. Sax. *mf* *sffz* *f* *mp*

Tpt. 1 *mf*

Tpt. 2 *mf*

Tpt. 3 *mf* *sffz* *f* *mp*

Hn. 1 *mp*

Hn. 2 *mp*

Hn. 3 *mf* *sffz* *f* *mp*

Hn. 4 *mf* *sffz* *f* *mp*

Tbn. 1 *mp*

Tbn. 2 *mf* *sffz* *f* *mp*

Tbn. 3 *mf* *sffz* *f* *mp*

B. Tbn. *mp*

Euph. *mp*

Tba. *mf*

Db. *arco* *mf* *sffz* *f* *p*

Orch. Bells *mf*

Vib. *mp* *mf* *f* *p*

Perc. 1

Triangle to sus. cym.

40

Fl. 1

Fl. 2

Ob. 1

Ob. 2

Bsn. 1

Bsn. 2

Cbsn.

Cl. 1

Cl. 2

Cl. 3

B. Cl.

Cb. Cl.

A. Sax. 1

A. Sax. 2

T. Sax. 1

T. Sax. 2

Bari. Sax.

Tpt. 1

Tpt. 2

Tpt. 3

Hn. 1

Hn. 2

Hn. 3

Hn. 4

Tbn. 1

Tbn. 2

Tbn. 3

B. Tbn.

Euph.

Tba.

Db.

Orch. Bells

Vib.

Perc. 1

Sus. Cymbal

*p*

This page contains a musical score for orchestra, starting at measure 40. The score includes parts for Flutes 1 and 2, Oboes 1 and 2, Bassoons 1 and 2, Clarinets 1, 2, 3, Bass Clarinet, Bassoon Clarinet, Alto Saxophones 1 and 2, Tenor Saxophones 1 and 2, Baritone Saxophone, Trombones 1, 2, 3, Horns 1, 2, 3, 4, Bass Trombones 1, 2, 3, Bass Trombone, Euphonium, Tuba, Double Bass, and Orchestral Bells. The music consists of six systems of four measures each. Measures 40-43 feature woodwind entries with dynamic markings like *mp*, *mf*, and *f*. Measures 44-47 show brass entries with similar dynamics. Measures 48-51 feature woodwind entries again. Measures 52-55 show brass entries. Measures 56-59 feature woodwind entries. Measures 60-63 show brass entries. Measures 64-67 feature woodwind entries. Measures 68-71 show brass entries. Measures 72-75 feature woodwind entries. Measures 76-79 show brass entries. Measures 80-83 feature woodwind entries. Measures 84-87 show brass entries. 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Fl. 1  
Fl. 2  
Ob. 1  
Ob. 2  
Bsn. 1  
Bsn. 2  
Cbsn.  
Cl. 1  
Cl. 2  
Cl. 3  
B. Cl.  
Cb. Cl.  
A. Sax. 1  
A. Sax. 2  
T. Sax. 1  
T. Sax. 2  
Bari. Sax.

Tpt. 1  
Tpt. 2  
Tpt. 3  
Hn. 1  
Hn. 2  
Hn. 3  
Hn. 4  
Tbn. 1  
Tbn. 2  
Tbn. 3  
B. Tbn.  
Euph.  
Tba.

Db.  
Orch. Bells  
Vib.  
Perc. 1

*pizz.*  
*mp*

*mp* *6* *6*  
*mf*

*mp*

*mp*

*C*

8

70

D

Fl. 1

Fl. 2

Ob. 1

Ob. 2

Bsn. 1

Bsn. 2

Cbsn.

Cl. 1

Cl. 2

Cl. 3

B. Cl.

Cb. Cl.

A. Sax. 1

A. Sax. 2

T. Sax. 1

T. Sax. 2

Bari. Sax.

Tpt. 1

Tpt. 2

Tpt. 3

Hn. 1

Hn. 2

Hn. 3

Hn. 4

Tbn. 1

Tbn. 2

Tbn. 3

B. Tbn.

Euph.

Tba.

Db.

Orch. Bells

Vib.

Perc. 1

Wind Chimes

D



