

Cannon Fire!

For Concert Band, Grade 2.5
By Joshua Idio

Instrumentation

1 - Full Score	4 - Bb Trumpet 1
4 - Flute 1	4 - Bb Trumpet 2
4 - Flute 2	6 - F Horn
2 - Oboe	3 - Trombone 1
2 - Bassoon	3 - Trombone 2
4 - Bb Clarinet 1	2 - Euphonium B. C.
4 - Bb Clarinet 2	2 - Euphonium T. C.
2 - Bb Bass Clarinet	4 - Tuba
3 - Eb Alto Saxophone 1	
3 - Eb Alto Saxophone 2	
2 - Bb Tenor Saxophone	
2 - Eb Baritone Saxophone	

2 - Bells
2 - Timpani
2 - Percussion 1: Snare Drum, Bass Drum/Triangle
2 - Percussion 2: Triangle/Crash Cymbals

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Program Notes

Cannons! Loud and powerful, and booming with terrifying energy. These large beasts of war have historically played crucial roles in every battle, changing the world. The sounds of these cannons can be heard with every sudden musical burst, with fast rhythms and swift melodic action symbolizing the dark treads of battle. In an epic pace of electricity and majesty, Joshua composes a work for band that depicts the terror that these war machines bring.

About the Composer



Joshua Alexander Idio (b. 1995) is a Filipino-American composer, educator, conductor, and trumpeter from New Jersey. He holds a B.M in Music Education from William Paterson University and a M.A in Music Composition from Montclair State University. Idio continues to write exciting music for chamber groups, concert bands, and orchestras of all grade levels and his music continues to captivate audiences with thought-provoking and relative music in the programmatic and cinematic style. His works embody the human emotion and imagination and events happening in the current world.

In April of 2018, he conducted his premiere work Overture for Education with the Union Middle School Concert Band from Rutherford, New Jersey. Through the "...And We Were Heard" Initiative, Idio's works have been premiered by several ensembles, including the University of Texas in El Paso Symphonic Band, the Arrowhead Union High School Wind Ensemble, and the Westchester Symphonic Winds.

He received an honorable mention and world premiere from the United States Naval Academy Band for his composition for brass ensemble Fanfare and Anthem for The Titans. He is currently a member of the National Association for Music Education, the New Jersey Music Educators Association, and the Association of Concert Bands. In 2022 he served as a band director at Readington Middle School in Whitehouse Station, New Jersey.

He is also a registered member of ASCAP (the American Society of Composers, Authors, and Publishers) and the American Composers Forum as an active composer in the New York City/NJ area.

FULL SCORE
GRADE 2.5
DURATION 3:10

Cannon Fire!

JOSHUA A. IDIO
(ASCAP)

Fast! $\text{♩} = 144$

Flute

Oboe (opt. Flute 2)

Bassoon

B♭ Clarinet 1

B♭ Clarinet 2

B♭ Bass Clarinet

E♭ Alto Saxophone 1

E♭ Alto Saxophone 2

B♭ Tenor Saxophone

E♭ Baritone Saxophone

B♭ Trumpet 1

B♭ Trumpet 2

F Horn

Trombone 1/2

Euphonium

Tuba

Xylophone w/hard mallets

Mallets 1 Xylophone/Bells

Mallets 2 Marimba/Vibraphone

Timpani (A, B, C)

Percussion 1 Snare Drum/Bass Drum/Suspended Cymbal

Percussion 2 Crash Cymbal/Wood Block/Tambourine

1 2 3 4 5 6

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Musical score for 'Cannon Fire!' showing parts for Flute (Fl.), Oboe (Ob.), Bassoon (Bsn.), B♭ Cl. 1, B♭ Cl. 2, B. Cl., A. Sx. 1, A. Sx. 2, T. Sx., B. Sx., B♭ Tpt. 1, B♭ Tpt. 2, Hn., Tbn. 1/2, Euph., Tuba, Mal. 1, Mal. 2, Timp., Perc. 1, Perc. 2, and Cr. Cyms.

The score consists of two systems of musical staves. The first system (measures 7-9) includes Flute, Oboe, Bassoon, B♭ Cl. 1, B♭ Cl. 2, B. Cl., A. Sx. 1, A. Sx. 2, T. Sx., B. Sx., B♭ Tpt. 1, B♭ Tpt. 2, Hn., Tbn. 1/2, Euph., Tuba, Mal. 1, Mal. 2, Timp., Perc. 1, and Perc. 2. The second system (measures 10-12) includes Flute, Oboe, Bassoon, B♭ Cl. 1, B♭ Cl. 2, B. Cl., A. Sx. 1, A. Sx. 2, T. Sx., B. Sx., B♭ Tpt. 1, B♭ Tpt. 2, Hn., Tbn. 1/2, Euph., Tuba, Mal. 1, Mal. 2, Timp., Perc. 1, and Perc. 2. The score features dynamic markings such as *fp*, *f*, *p*, *mp*, and *ch.*

Cannon Fire!

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Fl.

Ob.

Bsn.

B♭ Cl. 1

B♭ Cl. 2

B. Cl.

A. Sx. 1

A. Sx. 2

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

B♭ Tpt. 1

B♭ Tpt. 2

Hn.

Tbn. 1/2

Euph.

Tuba

Mal. 1

Mal. 2

To Vib.

Timp.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Cannon Fire!

23

Fl.

Ob.

Bsn.

B♭ Cl. 1

B♭ Cl. 2

B. Cl.

A. Sx. 1

A. Sx. 2

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

B♭ Tpt. 1

B♭ Tpt. 2

Hn.

Tbn. 1/2

Euph.

Tuba

Mal. 1

Mal. 2

Timp.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

p

fp — *f*

fp — *f*

p

fp — *f*

fp — *f*

p

fp — *f*

fp — *f*

mp

p

p

straight mute

fp — *f*

fp — *f*

mp

p

p

no dampen

rim click

p

sfp

W.B. w/sticks

sfp

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Musical score for 'Cannon Fire!' featuring 19 parts across six systems. The instrumentation includes Flute (Fl.), Oboe (Ob.), Bassoon (Bsn.), Bass Clarinet 1 (B♭ Cl. 1), Bass Clarinet 2 (B♭ Cl. 2), Bass Clarinet (B. Cl.), Alto Saxophone 1 (A. Sx. 1), Alto Saxophone 2 (A. Sx. 2), Tenor Saxophone (T. Sx.), Bass Saxophone (B. Sx.), Bass Trombone 1/2 (Tbn. 1/2), Euphonium (Euph.), Tuba (Tuba), Bassoon 1 (Mal. 1), Bassoon 2 (Mal. 2), Timpani (Timp.), and Percussion 1 & 2 (Perc. 1, Perc. 2).

Measure 25: Flute, Oboe, Bassoon, Bass Clarinet 1, Bass Clarinet 2, Bass Clarinet, Alto Saxophone 1, Alto Saxophone 2, Tenor Saxophone, Bass Saxophone, Bass Trombone 1/2, Euphonium, Tuba, Bassoon 1, Bassoon 2, Timpani, and Percussion 1 & 2 play eighth-note patterns.

Measure 26: Flute, Oboe, Bassoon, Bass Clarinet 1, Bass Clarinet 2, Bass Clarinet, Alto Saxophone 1, Alto Saxophone 2, Tenor Saxophone, Bass Saxophone, Bass Trombone 1/2, Euphonium, Tuba, Bassoon 1, Bassoon 2, Timpani, and Percussion 1 & 2 play eighth-note patterns.

Measure 27: Flute, Oboe, Bassoon, Bass Clarinet 1, Bass Clarinet 2, Bass Clarinet, Alto Saxophone 1, Alto Saxophone 2, Tenor Saxophone, Bass Saxophone, Bass Trombone 1/2, Euphonium, Tuba, Bassoon 1, Bassoon 2, Timpani, and Percussion 1 & 2 play eighth-note patterns.

Measure 28: Flute, Oboe, Bassoon, Bass Clarinet 1, Bass Clarinet 2, Bass Clarinet, Alto Saxophone 1, Alto Saxophone 2, Tenor Saxophone, Bass Saxophone, Bass Trombone 1/2, Euphonium, Tuba, Bassoon 1, Bassoon 2, Timpani, and Percussion 1 & 2 play eighth-note patterns.

Measure 29: Flute, Oboe, Bassoon, Bass Clarinet 1, Bass Clarinet 2, Bass Clarinet, Alto Saxophone 1, Alto Saxophone 2, Tenor Saxophone, Bass Saxophone, Bass Trombone 1/2, Euphonium, Tuba, Bassoon 1, Bassoon 2, Timpani, and Percussion 1 & 2 play eighth-note patterns.

Measure 30: Flute, Oboe, Bassoon, Bass Clarinet 1, Bass Clarinet 2, Bass Clarinet, Alto Saxophone 1, Alto Saxophone 2, Tenor Saxophone, Bass Saxophone, Bass Trombone 1/2, Euphonium, Tuba, Bassoon 1, Bassoon 2, Timpani, and Percussion 1 & 2 play eighth-note patterns.

Cannon Fire!

31

Fl.

Ob.

Bsn.

B♭ Cl. 1

B♭ Cl. 2

B. Cl.

A. Sx. 1

A. Sx. 2

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

B♭ Tpt. 1

B♭ Tpt. 2

Hn.

Tbn. 1/2

Euph.

Tuba

Mal. 1

Mal. 2

Timp.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Tune: B♭ to G

31

32

33

34

35

36

39

Fl.

Ob.

Bsn.

B. Cl. 1

B. Cl. 2

B. Cl.

A. Sx. 1

A. Sx. 2

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

B. Tpt. 1

B. Tpt. 2

Hn.

Tbn. 1/2

Euph.

Tuba

Mal. 1

Mal. 2

Mar.

Timp.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Cannon Fire!

opt. higher 8va

Fl.

Ob.

Bsn.

B♭ Cl. 1

B♭ Cl. 2

B. Cl.

A. Sx. 1

A. Sx. 2

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

B♭ Tpt. 1

B♭ Tpt. 2

Hn.

Tbn. 1/2

Euph.

Tuba

Mal. 1

Mal. 2

Timp.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

change quickly from A to B

rim shot

Cannon Fire!

9

51

ff

Fl.

Ob.

Bsn.

B. Cl. 1

B. Cl. 2

B. Cl.

A. Sx. 1

A. Sx. 2

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

B. Tpt. 1

B. Tpt. 2

Hn.

Tbn. 1/2

Euph.

Tuba

Mal. 1

Mal. 2

Timp.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

to Bells

Vib. w/medium-hard mallets

ff

mf

Tune: G,B_b,C

Sus. Cym. w/sticks p

mf

to Tamb.

51

52

53

54

Cannon Fire!

59 With a growing restlessness

Fl. *mf*

Ob. *mf*

Bsn.

B♭ Cl. 1

B♭ Cl. 2

B. Cl.

A. Sx. 1 *mf*

A. Sx. 2

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

B♭ Tpt. 1

B♭ Tpt. 2

Hn.

Tbn. 1/2

Euph.

Tuba

Mal. 1

Mal. 2

Timp.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

p

p

p

mp agitated

mp agitated

p

pp

mp

Sus. Cym. scrape

Fl.

Ob.

Bsn.

B♭ Cl. 1

B♭ Cl. 2

B. Cl.

A. Sx. 1

A. Sx. 2

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

B♭ Tpt. 1

B♭ Tpt. 2

Hn.

Tbn. 1/2

Euph.

Tuba

Mal. 1

Mal. 2

Timp.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

mp agitated

mp

cresc. poco a poco

Cannon Fire!

69 Becoming more lively

Fl.

Ob.

Bsn.

B♭ Cl. 1

B♭ Cl. 2

B. Cl.

A. Sx. 1

A. Sx. 2

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

B♭ Tpt. 1

B♭ Tpt. 2

Hn.

Tbn. 1/2

Euph.

Tuba

Mal. 1

Mal. 2

Tim.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

agitated

mf

f

mf

p

f

Rimshot

Tamb. w/sticks

mf agitated

75

Fl.

Ob.

Bsn.

B. Cl. 1

B. Cl. 2

B. Cl.

A. Sx. 1

A. Sx. 2

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

B. Tpt. 1

B. Tpt. 2

Hn.

Tbn. 1/2

Euph.

Tuba

Mal. 1

Mal. 2

Timp.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Cannon Fire!

opt. higher 8va

79

Fl.

Ob.

Bsn.

B. Cl. 1

B. Cl. 2

B. Cl.

A. Sx. 1

A. Sx. 2

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

B. Tpt. 1

B. Tpt. 2

Hn.

Tbn. 1/2

Euph.

Tuba

Mal. 1

Mal. 2

Timp.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

opt. higher 8va

79

80

81

82

83

84

w/brass mallets

w/hard mallets

f

ff

W.B. w/sticks

89

Fl.

Ob.

Bsn.

B. Cl. 1

B. Cl. 2

B. Cl.

A. Sx. 1

A. Sx. 2

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

B. Tpt. 1

B. Tpt. 2

Hn.

Tbn. 1/2

Euph.

Tuba

Mal. 1

Mal. 2

Timp.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Tbn. 1, play lower octave if needed

To Xyl.

To Mar.

Cr. Cyms.
> ch.
ch. sim.

85 86 87 88 89 90

Cannon Fire!

Fl.

Ob.

Bsn.

B♭ Cl. 1

B♭ Cl. 2

B. Cl.

A. Sx. 1

A. Sx. 2

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

B♭ Tpt. 1

B♭ Tpt. 2

Hn.

Tbn. 1/2

Euph.

Tuba

Mal. 1

Mal. 2

Xylo. w/hard mallets

Mar. w/hard mallets

f

Timp.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

100 Strong and Resolute!

Fl.

Ob.

Bsn.

B♭ Cl. 1

B♭ Cl. 2

B. Cl.

A. Sx. 1

A. Sx. 2

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

B♭ Tpt. 1

B♭ Tpt. 2

Hn.

Tbn. 1/2

Euph.

Tuba

Mal. 1

Mal. 2

Timp.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

100 Strong and Resolute!

To Bells

To Vib.

Tune: Get ready to change C to D quickly, and then back to C

let ring

ff

Cannon Fire!

Fl.

Ob.

Bsn.

B♭ Cl. 1

B♭ Cl. 2

B. Cl.

A. Sx. 1

A. Sx. 2

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

B♭ Tpt. 1

B♭ Tpt. 2

Hn.

Tbn. 1/2

Euph.

Tuba

Mal. 1

Mal. 2

Timp.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

103 104 105 106 107 108

109

Fl.

Ob.

Bsn.

B♭ Cl. 1

B♭ Cl. 2

B. Cl.

A. Sx. 1

A. Sx. 2

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

B♭ Tpt. 1

B♭ Tpt. 2

Hn.

Tbn. 1/2

Euph.

Tuba

Mal. 1

Mal. 2

Timp.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

div.

To Xyl.

To Mar.

change back to C

Tamb.

109 110 111 112 113 114 115