

FULL SCORE

Young String Orchestra



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Grade 2.5

# Shake Rag Alley

Matt Turner

YAS141  
**INSTRUMENTATION**

Full Score .....	1
Violin I .....	8
Violin II .....	8
Violin III (Viola T.C.) .....	2
Viola .....	5
Cello .....	5
Bass .....	5
Piano .....	1

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## About the Composition

The multi-strain form (AABBCCDD) of *Shake Rag Alley* is a variation on the multi-strain march form (AABBACCCDD) that is typical of ragtime pieces. In this rag, the D-section, though a section of its own, is a variation of the A-theme, and the Trio, or C-section beginning in m. 69, is representative of ragtime trio sections; a key change to the subdominant and the introduction of a more lyrical flavor as compared to the A- and B-sections. Performers are often tempted to swing ragtime compositions and play them too quickly. Perform the quarter notes and eighth notes in a “straight” fashion at march tempo. The trio section may employ a bit of *rubato* to accentuate the legato quality with a return to strict tempo at m. 101.

## About the Composer

Matt Turner is widely regarded as one of the world’s leading improvising cellists. Equally skilled as a pianist, Turner performs in myriad of styles and has shared the stage with Cape Breton fiddle sensation Natalie MacMaster, avant-garde musicians Marilyn Crispell, Peter Kowald, Guillermo Gregorio, Scott Fields, and John Butcher, country musician Wanda Vick, singer-songwriter LJ Booth, and jazz musician Bobby McFerrin to name a few and has performed in Canada, Europe and Asia. He appears on over 100 recordings on Sketch/Harmonia Mundi, Nato / Hope Street, Ayler, Illusions, Music and Arts, Accurate, Polyvinyl, Cadence Jazz and others and has recorded with jazz violinist Randy Sabien, goth vocalist/pianist Jo Gabriel, singer-songwriters Mark Croft and Tret Fure, punk artist Kyle Fischer, Kitty Brazelton’s chamber rockestra Dadadah, alt-country band Heller Mason and with the Pointless Orchestra. Turner completed his undergraduate studies at Lawrence University and his Master of Music degree in Third Stream Studies (now the Contemporary Improvisation program) at the New England Conservatory of Music, where he studied with Dave Holland, Geri Allen and Joe Maneri, and where he was the recipient of a Distinction in Performance Award. Turner teaches improvisation at Lawrence University and at the Renaissance School for the Arts. As a leader, Turner’s recordings appear on Illusions, Stellar, O.O. Discs, Asian Improv, Penumbra, Fever Pitch, Geode, Tautology, and Meniscus Records. His music is published by Carl Fischer, Alfred Music, Latham, and Alliance. Turner is a Yamaha Performing Artist and currently performs and records with Bill Carrothers, Randy Sabien, and with the Jean-Marc Foltz Trio.

## Shake Rag Alley

*J = 84*

MATT TURNER

Violin I      II

Viola

Cello

Bass

Piano

1      2      3      4

**5**

Vln. I      II

Vla.

Cello

Bass

Pno.

5      6      7      8      9

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10            11            12            13            14

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15            16            17            18            19

21

This musical score page contains six staves for string instruments (Vln. I, Vln. II, Vla., Cello, Bass) and one staff for piano (Pno.). The music is in common time. Measure 20: Vln. I has eighth-note pairs; Vln. II has eighth-note pairs; Vla. has eighth-note pairs; Cello has eighth-note pairs; Bass has eighth-note pairs. Measure 21: Vln. I has eighth-note pairs; Vln. II has eighth-note pairs; Vla. has eighth-note pairs; Cello has eighth-note pairs; Bass has eighth-note pairs. Measures 22-24: All parts play eighth-note pairs. Measure 24 ends with a double bar line.

20      21      22      23      24

29

This musical score page contains six staves for string instruments (Vln. I, Vln. II, Vla., Cello, Bass) and one staff for piano (Pno.). The music is in common time. Measures 25-28: Vln. I has eighth-note pairs; Vln. II has eighth-note pairs; Vla. has eighth-note pairs; Cello has eighth-note pairs; Bass has eighth-note pairs. Measures 29: Vln. I has eighth-note pairs; Vln. II has eighth-note pairs; Vla. has eighth-note pairs; Cello has eighth-note pairs; Bass has eighth-note pairs. The piano part consists of eighth-note chords.

25      26      27      28      29

Vln. I      Vln. II      Vla.      Cello      Bass      Pno.

30            31            32            33            34

Vln. I      Vln. II      Vla.      Cello      Bass      Pno.

35            36            37            38            39

I  
Vln.  
II  
Vla.  
Cello  
Bass  
Pno.

Violin I and II play eighth-note patterns. Cello and Bass provide harmonic support. The piano part consists of eighth-note chords. Measure 42 includes dynamic markings  $\text{V}$ ,  $\text{2}$ ,  $\text{1}$ ,  $\text{1}$ ,  $\text{0}$ ,  $\text{4}$ ,  $\text{1}$ ,  $\text{1}$ .

40      41      42      43      44

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45 arco  
 $\text{p}$  arco  
 $\text{p}$   
 $\text{p}$   
 $\text{p}$   
 $\text{p}$   
 $\text{p}$

I  
Vln.  
II  
Vla.  
Cello  
Bass  
Pno.

Measure 45 starts with Violin I playing eighth notes arco. Measures 46-47 show rhythmic patterns with dynamic  $\text{f}$ . Measures 48-49 show sustained notes with dynamic  $\text{f}$ .

45      46      47      48      49

53

50            51            52            53            54

55            56            57            58            59



Musical score for measures 70-74. The score includes parts for Vln. I, Vln. II, Vla., Cello, Bass, and Pno. Measure 70: Vln. I and II play eighth-note patterns. Vla., Cello, and Bass provide harmonic support. Pno. plays eighth-note chords. Measure 71: Dynamics change to *mf*. Measures 72-74: Vln. I and II play eighth-note patterns. Vla., Cello, and Bass provide harmonic support. Pno. plays eighth-note chords.

Musical score for measures 75-79. The score includes parts for Vln. I, Vln. II, Vla., Cello, Bass, and Pno. Measures 75-76: Vln. I and II play eighth-note patterns. Vla., Cello, and Bass provide harmonic support. Pno. plays eighth-note chords. Measure 77: Dynamic *mp* is indicated. Measures 78-79: Vln. I and II play eighth-note patterns. Vla., Cello, and Bass provide harmonic support. Pno. plays eighth-note chords.

I  
Vln.  
II  
Vla.  
Cello  
Bass  
Pno.

Violin I has eighth-note patterns. Violin II has sustained notes. Cello has eighth-note patterns. Bass has sustained notes. Piano has eighth-note patterns. Measure 80: Violin I (f), Violin II (f). Measure 81: Violin I (f), Violin II (f). Measure 82: Violin I (f), Violin II (f). Measure 83: Violin I (f), Violin II (f). Measure 84: Violin I (f), Violin II (f).

80 81 82 83 84

85

I  
Vln.  
II  
Vla.  
Cello  
Bass  
Pno.

Violin I: eighth-note patterns with dynamics mf, mp, mf. Violin II: eighth-note patterns with dynamics mf, mp, mf. Cello: sixteenth-note patterns with dynamics mp, mf, mp. Bass: sustained notes with dynamics mp. Piano: eighth-note patterns with dynamics mp, mp, mp.

85 86 87 88 89

93

I  
Vln.  
II  
Vla.  
Cello  
Bass  
Pno.

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90            91            92            93            94

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I  
Vln.  
II  
Vla.  
Cello  
Bass  
Pno.

95            96            97            98            99

101

100      101      102      103      104

109

105      106      107      108      109

I  
Vln.  
II  
Vla.  
Cello  
Bass  
Pno.

This musical score page contains five staves for string instruments (I Vln., II Vln., Vla., Cello, Bass) and one staff for the piano. The music consists of five measures. Measures 110-112 show eighth-note patterns in various octaves. Measures 113-114 show sustained notes followed by eighth-note patterns. Dynamics include *f* (fortissimo) and *p* (pianissimo). Measure 114 ends with a double bar line.

110      111      112      113      114

I  
Vln.  
II  
Vla.  
Cello  
Bass  
Pno.

This section continues the musical score from measure 115 to 119. It features the same ensemble of string instruments and piano. Measures 115-116 show sustained notes. Measures 117-119 show eighth-note patterns. Dynamics include *mp* (mezzo-pianissimo), *mf* (mezzo-forte), and *f*. Measure 117 is marked with a box containing the number 117. Measure 119 ends with a double bar line.

*mp*      115      116      117      *mf*      118      119

I  
Vln.  
II  
Vla.  
Cello  
Bass  
Pno.

120      121      122      123      124

125

I  
Vln.  
II  
Vla.  
Cello  
Bass  
Pno.

125      126      127      128      129

133

I  
Vln.  
II  
Vla.  
Cello  
Bass  
Pno.

130 131 132 133 134

135 136 137 138

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