Outer Space

#1086 in 3:00 for Young Band of the 3rd Millennium by © Stephen Melillo IGNA 5 February 2014, 2nd & 3rd Millennium For Spencer & Shafer Melillo and for Young Musicians throughout the world...

Commissioned by the 2015-2016 Midlakes Middle School Band Clifton Springs, NY Joe Godfrey, Director.

Ideas for the Music Educator



With just a *few* notes needed by each player and with *easy fingering patterns* that will reinforce useful dexterity skills within the reach of beginning or young student Musicians, this work allows for a complete exploration of *Dynamic* and ensemble *Tempo* control, with a focus on the 1/8th note.

Although the *PAD Bass* is "optional," it is still *highly* recommended as a device to improve **Tuning** & **Intonation** while providing an inviolable fundamental for the ensemble. Please investigate **stormworld.com** for *much* on this topic.

But, as of this writing, even the *Timpani* part may be played on a \$49 M-Audio Controller Keyboard while addressing a \$29 *MAINSTAGE 3* on your laptop. So you see, even in "worse-case" scenarios, or seemingly strapped within under-budgeted, under-equipped programs, much is possible! Compensating for adversity...or what I call, "deconfliction," is fun! It opens up the doors of *Creativity*. It is in that Spirit that I hope you and the student Musicians will approach this work.

Please take some Time to analyze the piece. Prepare yourself first for how you will introduce the work and get it off to a good start with your student Musicians. *Much of that work has been done by isolating the notes employed for each player!*

In this fun-filled, but educationally replete work, we will also call upon the services of someone in your school who plays electric guitar! (*Perhaps the Teacher of guest soloist!*) It creates an opportunity to put the word out and expand your program! (*Can you picture that over the school PA?*) It is this student Musician who will help create the **quasi-Theremin** sounds associated with movies from the 1950s... ala *The Day the Earth Stood Still* with an incredible and style-defining Bernard Herrmann Score. But technology as it is, you can buy an iPad app and have a pretty authentic Theremin itself! Check this!



Thereminator by Yonac Inc. https://appsto.re/us/nNMor.i

By the way, if you're interested or need a reference, I have a link to a fine Theremin player on my *facebook.com/Stormworks* page.

Helping the kids to prepare the fingering vocabulary presented by the piece will illustrate how quickly attainable the piece is, even for very young players.

Have fun! Enjoy and Godspeed! Steve

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It Came from Outer Space! The Notes you'll see!

Use this page to concentrate on on your notes, and if needed, write in note names and fingerings.





