

FULL SCORE

MATTHEW GROUSE
UNWAXED

for chamber orchestra

2017

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Orchestra:

Flute 1 (doubling piccolo 2)

Piccolo 1

2 oboes

2 clarinets (1st clarinet = Eb ; 2nd clarinet = bass in Bb)

2 bassoons (2nd bassoon doubling contrabassoon)

2 horns in F

2 trumpets in C (mutes: Harmon w / stem attachment)

Timpani

Strings:

(8,6,4,4,2*)

*Double-basses with low C extensions if possible.

Duration: ca. 7'30"

The full score is in C

Unwaxed was written for the Royal Northern Sinfonia as an entry in the 2017 RNS Young Composer's Competition

Composer's Note:

Unwaxed is a continuation of a recent enquiry in my instrumental music. In simple terms, I've been interested in finding the remarkable in the seemingly unremarkable parts of everyday life. The stimulus for *Unwaxed* comes entirely from the single action of peeling away a hard exterior to reveal glimpses of something mysterious and sweet. This could be as simple as removing the waxy skin from a piece of fruit to expose its flesh or perhaps alternatively, something as abstract as revealing vulnerability in an individual's personality, beneath a detached and cold surface. Even though the component parts of each example can appear disparate or offer a seemingly integral characteristic contrast, these elements are all derived from the same initial entity.

Performance notes:

Technique abbreviations

Where necessary to save space / avoid collisions, the following terms may be abbreviated after their initial use:

Molto vib. >> m.v.

Senza vib. >> s.v.

Sul tasto. >> s.t.

Sul pont. >> s.p.

Molto sul pont. >>m.s.p.

Overpressure / slow bow >> o.p. (this technique text is coupled with an 'x' notehead)

Clarification of 'asynchronous' strings material

When the direction 'asynchronous' is given for a string section, e.g bar 1 in the first violins or bar 43 in the violas, each individual player should play independently, striving not to play in rhythmic unison with any other player in the section.

Headless notehead glissandi

A gliss. over a headless notehead should **NOT** be re-articulated. To avoid ambiguity, note values, shown in parentheses are assigned to headless notehead glissandi of all rhythmic values that exceed the length of a quaver. They are placed above the headless note, above the stave.

Non-standard notation / symbols – (any other non-standard notation will be explained in the body of the score via technique text or footnotes)

	Quartertones	All quartertones are denoted with 12-tone equal temperament accidentals, adjusted with relevant arrows. e.g – a Bb with a downward pointed arrow attached to the accidental translates to a B three-quarter flat. A C natural with an upward pointed arrow attached to the accidental translates to a C quarter sharp.
	Highest possible pitch	An arrow notehead without leger lines denotes the highest possible pitch on a specific string OR the highest possible reachable pitch for any other instrumental family. If the notehead is in parenthesis, this means you should NOT re-articulate the note.
	Special Molto vib.	If the direction 'molto vib.' is followed by this symbol, the player must play with vibrato as fast, wide and aggressive as possible. Effort should be made to create an audible difference between this direction and 'molto vib.' without the added symbol.
	Asynchronous pizz. glissandi	e.g b43 Vla. – This dashed line and the 'gliss.' text instruction directs the player to make multiple pizz. 'plucks' whilst you gliss. in the given direction. This should be independent from other players in the section and you can vary the frequency of the 'plucks.'

UNWAXED

Matthew Grouse (b. 1996)

moderately, brittle ($\text{♩} = \text{ca. } 62$)

2 Piccolos

fpp dolcissimo, legatissimo

2 Oboes

1st - Clarinet in E♭

2nd - Bass Clarinet in B♭

2 Bassoons

2 Horns in F

mp > ppp

Air sounds.
detach mouthpiece, blow fast air into 'wrong end' of mouthpiece

1 2 Trumpets in C

f

Air sounds.
detach mouthpiece, blow fast air into 'wrong end' of mouthpiece

Timpani

p

Tutti: (asynchronous - ad lib. / vary length of pauses between each note)
col legno battuto. (freely between sul tasto. and molto sul pont.)
sempre I

Violin I (div. in 2)

8va repeat ad lib. until the end of the arrow (always follow the order of pitches)
*PPP with very occasional *smfz* accents*

Tutti: (asynchronous - ad lib. / vary length of pauses between each note)
col legno battuto. (freely between sul tasto and molto sul pont.)
sempre I

8va repeat ad lib. until the end of the arrow (always follow the order of pitches)
*PPP with very occasional *smfz* accents*

Violin II

PPP
div. (in 2)
poco sul pont., con sord.

Viola

PPP poco express. (ad lib.)
div. (in 2)
pizz., con sord.

Violoncello

mf sempre laissez vibrer pp
pizz., con sord.

Double Bass

mf sempre laissez vibrer pp

ca. 2"

Picc. 1 2 5 8 3 8 flz. piccolo 2 to flute

Hn. 1 2 mp > ppp mp > ppp f re-attach mouthpiece

Tpt. 1 2 mf ff re-attach mouthpiece

Tim. (highest pitch) ff

Vln. I (div. in 2) sim. gliss. f sim. gliss. f

Vln. II ff

Vla. poco a poco vib. → molto vib. ff

Vc. 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 ff

Db. 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 ff



A

swift, metronomic
(♩ = ca. 124)

E♭ Cl. 9 p ff p 2 4 4 4 ff sub p ff sub p a 2 ff sub p

B. Cl. p

Bsn. 1 2

ff sub p

14

3

4 1. solo

p

E♭ Cl.

B. Cl.

Bsn.

ff

p

ff

p

ff

p

B

19

Ob. 1
2

Eb Cl.

B. Cl.

Bsn. 1
2

2

4

ff

p

mp

ff

p

mp

ff

sub mp

ff

sub mp

a 2 hand stopped

+

2 **4**

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

unis.
III $\#$

ppp

poco sul pont.
0

unis.
senza sord.
poco sul pont.
trem.

ppp

C Flute
1. solo

24 (piccolo 2 to flute)

Fl. 1

Ob. 1
2

Eb Cl.

B. Cl.

Bsn. 1
2

3 **4** **4**

Hn. 1
2

Tpt. 1
2

open **5** **3**

ff

a 2

Tim.

(mallets ord.)
secco

ff

3 **4**

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

D. b.

III **0**

ppp

poco sul pont.

ppp

poco sul pont.
trem.

ppp

unis.
pizz., senza sord.
♩

fff

pizz., senza sord.
♩

fff

D

29

3 4

5 8

4 4

Fl. 1

Picc.

Ob. 1
2

E♭ Cl.

B. Cl.

Bsn. 1
2

Hn. 1
2

Tpt. 1
2

Tim.

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

D. b.

Flute 1

Piccolo 1

a 2

ff

mp

f

mp

mf

mp

f

mp

ff

mp

ff

mp

pizz.
ff

pizz.
ff

pizz.
ff

pizz.
ff

pizz.
ff

ff

39

Fl. 1

Picc.

Ob. 1
2

E♭ Cl.

B. Cl.

Bsn. 1
2

Hn. 1
2

Tpt. 1
2

Tim.

Solo Vln. I

Vln. I

Vln. II

Solo Vla.

Vla.

Vcl.

Db.

The musical score page contains ten staves of music. From top to bottom, the instruments are: Flute 1, Piccolo, Oboe 1, E-flat Clarinet, Bassoon 1, Horn 1, Trumpet 1, Timpani, Solo Violin I, Violin I, Violin II, Solo Viola, Cello, and Double Bass. The page is numbered 39 at the top left. Measure 39 begins with rests for most instruments. At measure 40, the Bassoon 1 and Bassoon 2 play eighth-note patterns. The Horn 1 and Trumpet 1 also play eighth-note patterns. The Timpani plays a single note. The Solo Violin I and Solo Viola play sixteenth-note patterns. The page ends with dynamic markings *pp* and *f*, and a *gliss.* instruction above the Solo Violin I staff.

* - continuous glissandi from highest point of the string to lowest (or vice-versa). Ad lib. the speed and rhythms of pizz. as you gliss. (asynchronously)

← ♦ = ♦. →
♦ = 124
ord.
G

Fl. 1 flz. 46 5 4 4

Picc. flz. p — f ord. ppp 3 < f

Ob. 1 2 1. flz. p — f pp 3 < f

E♭ Cl. flz. p — f pp 3 < f

B. Cl. 3 3 ff ff mf

Bsn. 1 2 3 3 ff ff mf

Hn. 1 2 3 3 ff

Tpt. 1 2 mp

a 2 air sound (through instrument)

Timp. pp ff

Solo Vln. I 5 4 4

Vln. I gli altri. arco. express. f Tutti ff

Vln. II arco. sul pont. III ord. ff

Solo Vla. 3 ff pizz. div. (in 2) pizz.

Vla. gli altri. 3 ff pizz. ff

Vc. pizz. ff pizz. ff

Db. ff

51

Fl. 1

Picc.

Ob. 1
2

E♭ Cl.

B. Cl.

Bsn. 1
2

Hn. 1
2

Tpt. 1
2

Tim.

Vln. I

Vla.

Vc.

D. B.

Fl. 1
Picc.
Ob. 1
Eb Cl.
B. Cl.
Bsn.
Hn.
Tpt.
Timp.
Vln. I
Vln. II
Vla.
Vcl.
Db.

H

67

Fl. 1

Picc.

Ob. 1
2

B. Cl.

Bsn. 1
2

Hn. 1
2

Tpt. 1
2

Timp.

(8)

Vln. I
(div. in 2)

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

Db.

74

Fl. 1

Picc.

Ob. 1
2

Eb Cl.

B. Cl.

Bsn. 1
2

Hn. 1
2

Tpt. 1
2

Tim. (ord.)

(8)

Vln. I (div. in 2)

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

D. b.

This musical score page contains six systems of music. The top system (measures 74-75) features woodwind instruments: Flute 1, Piccolo, Oboe 1/2, Eb Clarinet, Bassoon 1/2, Horn 1/2, and Trumpet 1/2. The middle system (measures 76-77) features brass instruments: Timpani, Violin I (divided into two groups), Violin II, Cello, Double Bass, and Bassoon. The bottom system (measures 78-79) features strings: Viola, Double Bass, and Bassoon. The score includes dynamic markings such as *mf* and *fff*, and performance instructions like "ord." and "(8)". Measure numbers 74 through 79 are indicated above each system.

I

80

Fl. 1
sub *pp*

Picc.
sub *pp*

Ob. 1
2
sub *pp*

E♭ Cl.
sub *pp*

B. Cl.
sub *pp*

Bsn. 1
2
sub *pp*

Hn. 1
2
sub *pp*

Tpt. 1
2
sub *pp*

Timp.

(8)

Vln. I
(div. in 2)
sub *ppp*

Vln. II
sub *ppp*

Vla.
pizz.
mp

Vc.
mp

D. b.
mp

85

Fl. 1

Picc.

Ob. 1
2

Eb Cl.

B. Cl.

Bsn. 1
2

Hn. 1
2

fff rauco!

1.2.
con sord. (Harmon without stem)
flz.

Tpt. 1
2

fff rauco!

(8)

Vln. I
(div. in 2)

Vln. II

Solo Vla.

gli altri.

fff au talon, brutal

0 5

(non div.)

Solo Vc.

gli altri.

fff au talon, brutal

0 5

Vcl. gli altri.

Db.

90

Fl. 1
Picc.
Ob. 2
Eb Cl.
B. Cl.
Bsn. 2
Hn. 1
Tpt. 1

mf

as fast as possible *sim* *sim* *sim*

Hn. 2
Tpt. 2

(8)

2

Vln. I (div. in 2)
Vln. II
Solo Vla.
Vla. gli altri.
Solo Vc.
Vc. gli altri.
Db.

molto sul pont. *m.s.p.* *m.s.p.* *ord.*
mf *tr.* *tr.* *poco a poco vib.*
mf < fff *mf < fff* *mf* *< fff* *pp*
molto sul pont. *m.s.p.* *m.s.p.* *ord.*
mf *tr.* *tr.* *poco a poco vib.*
mf < fff *mf < fff* *mf* *< fff* *pp*

97 **4** **4**

$\leftarrow \begin{smallmatrix} 3 \\ \text{d} \end{smallmatrix} = \text{d}$ $\text{d} = 94$

To Piccolo 2

J **2** **4** **4**

Fl. 1

Picc.

Ob. 1
2

E♭ Cl.

B. Cl.

Bsn. 1
2

Hn. 1
2

Tpt. 1
2

* - Trumpets: the + symbol equates to covering the opening of the Harmon mute with the hand. At the o symbol, the hand should be fully released.

4 (8) 4 2 4 4

poco a poco trem. → sul pont. (trem.) meno e meno. → (ord.)

Vln. I (div. in 2)

mf poco a poco trem. → sul pont. (trem.) meno e meno trem. → (ord.)

3

mf poco a poco trem. → sul pont. (trem.) meno e meno trem. → (ord.)

Vln. II

mf poco a poco trem. → sul pont. (trem.) meno e meno trem. → (ord.)

Solo Vla.

mf sul pont. molto vib. → ord. → ord.

Vla. gli altri.

p sul pont. molto vib. → ord. → ord.

Solo Vc.

mf

Vc. gli altri.

p arco, sul pont., senza vib.

Db.

p arco, sul pont., senza vib.

II

104

Fl. 1
Picc.
Ob. 1
E♭ Cl.
B. Cl.
Bsn. 1
Hn. 1
Tpt. 1
Solo Vln. I
Solo Vln. II
Vln. II
gli altri.
Solo Vla.
Vla.
gli altri.
Solo Vcl.
Vcl.
gli altri.
Db.

mp
1. solo
gliss.
II
gliss.
mp
1. solo
II
gliss.
gliss.
gli altri.
arco., sul pont., senza vib.
pp
mp poco express., legatissimo
arco., sul pont., senza vib.
pp
mp poco express., legatissimo
gliss.
gliss.
molto vib.
pp
gliss.
gliss.
molto vib.

109

Picc. *p dolcissimo, legatissimo*

Hn. *p smfz*

Tpt. *p smfz*

Solo Vln. I *mp*

*gli altri.
arco., sul pont., senza vib.*

Vln. I *pp*

molto vib. → senza vib.

Solo Vln. II *mp*

→ senza vib.

molto vib. → senza vib.

Vln. II *pp*

molto vib. → senza vib.

Solo Vla.

pp

molto vib. → senza vib.

Vla. *pp*

molto vib. → senza vib.

Solo Vc.

pp

molto vib. → senza vib.

Vc. *pp*

molto vib. → senza vib.

Db. *pp*

molto vib. → senza vib.

3

4

L

124

Picc. 1
B. Cl.
Bsn.

Bassoon 2 to Contrabassoon

Contrabassoon (2.)

Hn. 1
Hn. 2

Tpt. 1
Tpt. 2

Solo Vln. I

Vln. I
gli altri.

I
sul pont. senza vib.
gliss.

II
sul pont., senza vib.
gliss.

m.v. → senza vib.
(•)
gliss.

Vln. II
gli altri.

III
sul pont., senza vib.
gliss.
(•)

m.v. → senza vib.
gliss.

Solo Vla.

Vla.
gli altri.

p
mf poco express., legatissimo

m.v. → senza vib.
gliss.

Solo Vc.

Vc.
gli altri.

p
mf poco express., legatissimo

m.v. → senza vib.
gliss.

Db.

gliss.
p
mf → p
gliss.

135

Picc. 1
Ob. 1
Eb Cl.
B. Cl.
Bsn.
Cbsn.
Hn. 1
Tpt. 1
Solo Vln. I
Solo Vln. II
Vln. II
gli altri.
Vla.
Vc.
Db.

147

Picc.

Ob.

Eb Cl.

B. Cl.

Bsn.

Cbsn.

Hn.

Tpt.

Solo Vln. I

Vln. I
gli altri.

Solo Vln. II

Vln. II
gli altri.

Vla.

Vcl. (div. in 2)

Db.

Dynamic markings and performance instructions:

- Solo Vln. I:** *ppp* → *fff*
- Vln. I (gli altri):** *mf*
- Solo Vln. II:** *ppp* → *fff*
- Vln. II (gli altri):** *p*, *mf*, *ord.*, *gliss.*
- Vla.:** *p*, *mf*, *ord.*, *gliss.*
- Vcl. (div. in 2):** *p*, *mf*, *fp*, *mf*, *fp*, *mf*, *fp*, *mf*, *fp*
- Db.:** *fp*, *fp*, *mf*, *fp*, *fp*, *fp*, *fp*, *mf*, *fp*

Performance instructions (s.t., tr., gliss.) are placed above specific staves in the middle section.

151

Picc. 1
Ob. 1
Eb Cl.
B. Cl.
Bsn.
Cbsn.
Hn. 1
Tpt. 1

S.L. → m.s.p.
tr.
#d.

Solo Vln. I

Vln. I
gli altri.

Solo Vln. II

Vln. II
gli altri.

Vla.

Vc.
(div. in 2)

Db.

O

155

ord. flz. accel. ord. flz. ord. flz.

Picc. 2 *pp* — *ff* *pp* — *ff* *pp* — *ff*

Ob. 2 *pp* ord. flz. *pp* ord. flz. *pp* ord. flz.

E♭ Cl. *pp* — *ff* *pp* — *ff* *pp* — *ff*

B♭ Cl. *pp* — *ff* *pp* — *ff* *pp* — *ff*

Bsn. *pp* — *ff* *mp* — *mf* — *p* *mf* — *p*

Cbsn. *pp* — *ff* *mp* — *mf* — *p* *mf* — *p*

Hn. 1 hand gliss. * (non-legato) sim. sim. + + + + +

Hn. 2 hand gliss. * (non-legato) sim. sim. + + + + +

Tpt. 1 5 *p* — *mp* — *p* *p* — *mp* — *p* *mp* — *p* — *mp*

Tpt. 2 *mp* — *p* *mp* — *p* *mp* — *p* *mp* — *p* *mp* — *p*

Solo Vln. I *mf* — *p* *p* — *mp* *p* — *mp* — *p* *mp* — *p* *mp* — *p*

Vln. I gli altri. S.L. — *tr* — m.s.p. S.L. — *tr* — m.s.p.

Solo Vln. II *mf* — *p* *p* — *mf* — *p* *p* — *mf* — *p* *mf* — *p*

Vln. II gli altri. *p* — *mf* — *p* *p* — *mf* — *p* *p* — *mf* — *p* *p* — *mf* — *p*

Vla. *p* — *mf* — *p* *p* — *mf* — *p* *p* — *mf* — *p*

Vc. (div. in 2) *p* — *mf* — *p* *p* — *mf* — *p* *p* — *mf* — *p*

Db. *mf* — *fp* — *fp* — *fp* — *fp* — *fp* — *mf*

* - Gradually flatten the pitch by inserting your hand into the bell of the instrument.

158

Picc. 1 2 ord. flz. *pp* *ff* ord. flz. *pp* *ff* ord. flz. *pp* *ff*

Ob. 1 2 ord. flz. *pp* *ff* ord. flz. *pp* *ff* ord. flz. *pp* *ff*

Eb Cl. ord. flz. *pp* *ff* ord. flz. *pp* *ff* ord. flz. *pp* *ff*

B. Cl. ord. flz. *pp* *ff* ord. flz. *pp* *ff* ord. flz. *pp* *ff*

Bsn. *mp* *mf* *p* *mp* *mf*

Cbsn. *mp* *mf* *p* *mp* *mf*

Hn. 1 2 *sim.* *p* *mp* *p* *sim.* *p* *mp* *sim.* *p* *mp* *sim.* *p* *mp*

Tpt. 1 2 *mp* *p* *mp* *p* *mp* *p* *5* *mp* *p* *mp* *p* *5* *mp* *p* *mp* *p*

Solo Vln. I *ppp* *fff*

Vln. I gli altri. *p* *s.t.* *tr* *m.s.p.*

Solo Vln. II *o.p.* *ord.* *ppp* *fff* *o.p.* *ord.*

Vln. II gli altri. *mf* *gliss.* (*p*) *p* *mf* *o.p.* *ord.*

Vla. *mf* *p* *mf* *o.p.* *ord.*

Vc. (div. in 2) *mf* *p* *mf* *o.p.* *ord.*

Db. *fp* *fp* *fp* *fp* *mf* *fp* *fp* *fp* *fp*

$$\leftarrow \downarrow = o \rightarrow$$

P

165 [piccolo 2 to flute]

Flute

Fl. 1

Picc.

Ob. 1
Ob. 2

E♭ Cl.

B. Cl.

Bsn.

Cbsn.

Hn. 1
Hn. 2

remove mute

Tpt. 1
Tpt. 2

roll in the centre of the drum-head

Timpani

(1.2.)

fp (1.2.) senza sord.

ord.

mf < ff

(desk 1)

ff senza vib., sempre sul E

(desk 2)

Vln. I

(desk 3)

(desk 4)

(desk 1)

Vln. II (desk 2)

(desk 3)

Vla.

Vc.

Db.

molto vib. ~~~~~> sim. until next direction.

very slow gliss. (o)

molto vib. ~~~~~> sim. until next direction.

very slow gliss. (o)

molto vib. ~~~~~> sim. until next direction.

very slow gliss. (o)

molto vib. ~~~~~> sim. until next direction.

very slow gliss. (o)

mv. ~~~~~> sim. until next direction.

very slow gliss. (o)

mv. ~~~~~> sim. until next direction.

very slow gliss. (o)

molto vib. ~~~~~> sim. until next direction.

very slow gliss. (o)

molto vib. ~~~~~> sim. until next direction.

very slow gliss. (o)

IV 3

IV 3

IV 3

IV 3

ff

f unis.

*

* - If a low C extension for double-basses is not available, play the lowest available C instead.

174

Fl. 1
Picc.
Ob. 1
Eb Cl.
B. Cl.
Bsn.
Cbsn.
Hn. 1
Hn. 2
Tpt. 1
Tpt. 2
Tim.
(desk 1)
(desk 2)
Vln. I
(desk 3)
(desk 4)
(desk 1)
Vln. II
(desk 2)
sim. until next direction
(desk 3)
Vla.
Vcl.
Db.

Q

179

Fl. 1
Picc.
Ob. 2
Eb Cl.
B. Cl.
Bsn.
Cbsn.
Hn. 2
Tpt. 2
Tim.
(desk 1)
(desk 2)
Vln. I
(desk 3)
(desk 4)
(desk 1)
Vln. II
(desk 2)
(desk 3)
Vla.
Vcl.
Db.

183

Fl. 1
Picc.
Ob. 1, 2
Eb Cl.
B. Cl.
Bsn.
Cbsn.
Hn. 1, 2
Tpt. 1, 2
Timp.
(desk 1)
(desk 2)
Vln. I
(desk 3)
(desk 4)
(desk 1)
Vln. II
(desk 2)
(desk 3)
Vla.
Vcl.
Db.

gliss.
approx.
molto vib.
sim. until next direction.
(o)
gliss.
molto vib.
sim. until next direction.
(o)
gliss.
(o)

183

R(breathe when needed but try to create
the illusion of one long, sustained note)

192

(breathe when needed but try to create
the illusion of one long, sustained note)

(breathe when needed but try to create
the illusion of one long, sustained note)

timbral trill (trill between two fingerings
of the same pitch, ad lib. / vary speed)
(breathe when needed but try to create
the illusion of one long, sustained (timbral trill))

tr

sub ppp

constant harmonic pressure glissandi. (approx. pitches) *

sub ppp sempre legato

* - For the natural harmonic glissandi starting at b192, each player should individually choose which string to play on. Feel free to vary the chosen string throughout the passage.

196

Fl. 1

Picc.

Ob. 1
2

(tr) Eb Cl.

B. Cl.

Bsn.

Cbsn.

Hn. 1
2

Tpt. 1
2

Tim.

Vln. I (div. in 2)

Vln. II

Vla.

Vcl. pizz. (asynchronous)
sempre I

Vcl. pizz. (synchronous)

Db. p semper laissez vibrer

pp gradually increase the space between each pluck (slow down)

pizz.
p semper laissez vibrer

pizz.
p semper laissez vibrer