

THE ORCHESTRA (1993)

Solo Contrabass

for Andy Kohn

poem: William Carlos Williams

music: Tamar Diesendruck

Handwritten musical score for Solo Contrabass, featuring lyrics and musical notation. The score is written on multiple staves, with lyrics in English and musical notation in G-clef and F-clef. The lyrics are from a poem by William Carlos Williams.

The lyrics are:

The pre-cise coun-ter-part
of a ca-pho-my of bird calls
lif-ting the sun al-migh-ty
in-to his sphere:
wood-winds
cla-ri-net and vi-o-lins
sound a pro-longed A!
Ah! the sun, the sun! is a-bout to rise
and shed his beams
as he has al-ways done

The musical notation includes various dynamics (f, mf, mp, sfz, norm., p, f, ff, loco), articulation (pizz., pont., arco, trm), and other performance instructions (e.g., "spice", "H (arco)", "clb", "norm. trm"). The score is written in G-clef and F-clef, with a key signature of one sharp (F#).