

Flight of the Hurricane Hunters

for Concert Band

by Jim Evans

Grade 1

Instrumentation

Flute

Oboe

Clarinet

Bass Clarinet

Bassoon

Alto Saxophone

Tenor Saxophone

Baritone Saxophone

Trumpet

Horn in F

Trombone

Baritone/Euphonium T.C./B.C

Tuba

Bells/Xylophone/Chimes (opt.)

Timpani

Snare Drum/Bass Drum

Crash Cymbal/Suspended
Cymbal/Triangle

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The Hurricane Hunters are members of the 53rd Weather Reconnaissance Squadron of the Air Force Reserve based at Keesler Air Force Base in Biloxi, Mississippi. Their mission is to observe tropical storms by flying an airplane directly through the storm! They fly missions from the mid-Atlantic to the International Dateline in the Pacific.

This piece is intended to suggest the turbulence and excitement as they enter and exit a storm, and the calmness and beauty that exists in the eye, or center.

For Preview Only

Dedicated to the members of the 53rd Weather Reconnaissance Squadron - the "Hurricane Hunters" 3

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Conductor Score

Jim Evans

Spirited! (♩ = 132)

5 %

Flute *ff*

Oboe *ff*

B♭ Clarinet *ff*

Bass Clarinet *ff*

Bassoon *ff*

Alto Saxophone *ff*

Tenor Saxophone *ff*

Baritone Saxophone *ff*

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Trumpet *ff*

F Horn *ff*

Trombone *ff*

Baritone 2nd Trombone (opt.) *ff*

Tuba *ff*

Bells, Xylophone
Xylophone
Chimes *ff* B♭, C

5

6

Percussion 1
Snare/Bass *ff*

Percussion 2
Crash Cymbals
Sus. Cymbal
Triangle *ff*

choke

Flight of the Hurricane Hunters

Musical score for 'Flight of the Hurricane Hunters', measures 7-11. The score is for a full orchestra and includes the following parts:

- Fl. (Flute)
- Ob. (Oboe)
- Cl. (Clarinet)
- B. Cl. (Bass Clarinet)
- Bsn. (Bassoon)
- A. Sx. (Alto Saxophone)
- T. Sx. (Tenor Saxophone)
- B. Sx. (Baritone Saxophone)
- Tpt. (Trumpet)
- Hn. (Horn)
- Tbn. (Trombone)
- Bar. (Baritone)
- Tuba
- Bls. (Bells)
- Xyl. (Xylophone)
- Ch. (Chimes)
- Timp. (Timpani)
- Str./Bs. (String Bass)
- Cym./Tri. (Cymbal/Triple)

The score is in 2/4 time and features a variety of rhythmic patterns and melodic lines across the instruments. A large watermark 'For Preview Only' is overlaid on the score.

Flight of the Hurricane Hunters

12 13 14 15 16

Fl. *f*

Ob. *f*

Cl. *f*

B. Cl. *f*

Bsn.

A. Sx. *f*

T. Sx.

B. Sx. *f*

12 13 14 15 16

Tpt.

Hn.

Tbn.

Bar.

Tuba

12 13 14 15 16

Bls. *f*

Xyl.

Ch.

Timp.

12 13 14 15 16

Sn./Bs.

Cym./Tri.

Flight of the Hurricane Hunters

This musical score is for the piece "Flight of the Hurricane Hunters" and covers measures 17 through 21. The score is written for a large ensemble of instruments. The woodwind section includes Flute (Fl.), Oboe (Ob.), Clarinet (Cl.), Bass Clarinet (B. Cl.), Bassoon (Bsn.), and Saxophones (A. Sx., T. Sx., B. Sx.). The brass section includes Trumpet (Tpt.), Horn (Hn.), Trombone (Tbn.), Baritone (Bar.), and Tuba. The percussion section includes Bells (Bls.), Xylophone (Xyl.), Chimes (Ch.), Snare Drum (Sn./Bs.), and Cymbals/Triangles (Cym./Tri.). The score is in a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat) and a common time signature. Measures 17-19 feature melodic lines for the woodwinds and saxophones, while measures 20-21 feature a more rhythmic and dynamic section with accents and fortissimo (ff) markings. The piece concludes with a "Fine" marking at the end of measure 21. A large, diagonal watermark reading "For Preview Only" is overlaid across the entire score.

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38

Increasing in Intensity

Fl.

Ob.

Cl.

B. Cl.

Bsn.

A. Sx.

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

38

Increasing in Intensity

Tpt.

Hn.

Tbn.

Bar.

Tuba

38

Bls.

Xyl.

Ch.

Timp.

38

Sn./Bs.

Cym./Tri.

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46

Majestically

Fl. *mf*

Ob. *mf*

Cl. *mf*

B. Cl. *mf*

Bsn. *mf*

A. Sx. *mf*

T. Sx. *mf*

B. Sx. *mf*

46

Majestically

Tpt. *mf*

Hn. *mf*

Tbn. *mf*

Bar. *mf*

Tuba *mf*

46

Chimes (opt.)

Bls. *mf*

Xyl. *mf*

Ch. *mf*

Timp. *f*

Sn./Bs. *mf*

Cym. Tri. *mf*

pp