

## **II. A Taiwanese in California— for Piano Solo and Fixed Media**

from *Between Mikrokosmos and Makrokosmos*



Duration: ca. 6'30"

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## 樂曲解說

此曲係《中宇宙》曲集之第二首作品。曲名靈感來自美國作曲家蓋希文（George Gershwin, 1898-1937）之交響詩《一個美國人在巴黎》。此曲描述筆者到加州求學後對加州的印象，以及對臺灣的回憶。頑固低音使用筆者之《中宇宙》I〈瘟疫〉之主要動機，希望能使該曲集之音樂能延續。

鋼琴聲部使用了某臺灣民謡的節奏，以〈瘟疫〉動機之頑固低音象徵加州的酷熱與乾燥，以琶音描繪加州的風與海；固定媒體部分嘗試使用鋼琴聲部後製加上不同效果。

## 演奏說明

1. 小音符為固定媒體，鋼琴演奏者不應演奏。
2. 建議鋼琴演奏者在以下小節使用右手演奏內聲部，左手演奏外聲部：33-37、106-109，以及111。
3. 當沒有翻譜人員或儀器時，可於第85小節右手演奏完第一音後將右手音符全部省略。

## Program Note

Being the second work of the book *Between Mikrokosmos and Makrokosmos*, the piece gets its name from the inspiration of George Gershwin's symphonic poem *An American in Paris*. The piece describes my impression of California and my memory of Taiwan after I came to California to study. Ground bass is from my *Between Mikrokosmos and Makrokosmos* I. "Plague" in the hope that the music in the book can extend.

In the piano part, I used the rhythm of a Taiwanese folk song, and the ground bass symbolizes California's heat and dryness, whereas the arpeggios depict its wind and ocean; in the fixed media part, I try to edit and add various effects to the piano part.

## Instructions

1. The cue-sized notes are for fixed media and should not be played by the pianist.
2. It is suggested that the pianist play the middle voice with his/her right hand and the outer voice with his/her left hand in mm. 33-37, mm. 106-109, and m. 111.
3. When a page-turner is not accessible, it is fine to omit all the notes of the right hand in m. 85 after the first note.

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*J* = 60, hot and dry

*f*

*f*

*ff*

*ff*

*p sub.*

\* see instruction 1

Musical score for page 12, measures 12-13. The score consists of two staves. The top staff is treble clef and the bottom staff is bass clef. Measure 12 starts with a rest. The first note is dynamic *mp*. The second measure begins with a bass note followed by a series of eighth notes. Measure 13 starts with a bass note followed by a series of eighth notes. The score includes dynamics *simile*, *mf*, and a bracketed group of three notes.

19

*f*

*3*

*mf*

26

3

\* see instruction 2

33

41

accel.

$\text{♩} = 120$ , windy and oceanlike

49

*pp sub.*  
*legato*

*p*  
*legato*

*pp*

*8va*



77

5

Musical score for measures 77-79. The score consists of two staves. The top staff is in bass clef, 3/4 time, and the bottom staff is also in bass clef. Measure 77 starts with a dynamic of *pp*. Measure 78 begins with a dynamic of *p*. Measure 79 begins with a dynamic of *f*. Measure 80 begins with a dynamic of *pp*. Measure 81 begins with a dynamic of *p*. Measure 82 begins with a dynamic of *ff*. Measure 83 begins with a dynamic of *mf*. Measure 84 begins with a dynamic of *mf*. Measure 85 begins with a dynamic of *mf*. Measure 86 begins with a dynamic of *pp*. Measure 87 begins with a dynamic of *pp*.

80

*8va*

Musical score for measures 80-85. The score consists of two staves. The top staff is in treble clef, and the bottom staff is in bass clef. Measure 80 starts with a dynamic of *p*. Measure 81 starts with a dynamic of *ff*. Measure 82 starts with a dynamic of *mf*. Measure 83 starts with a dynamic of *mf*. Measure 84 starts with a dynamic of *mf*. Measure 85 starts with a dynamic of *mf*.

83

\* see instruction 3

*8va*

Musical score for measures 83-88. The score consists of two staves. The top staff is in treble clef, and the bottom staff is in bass clef. Measure 83 starts with a dynamic of *ff*. Measure 84 starts with a dynamic of *mf*. Measure 85 starts with a dynamic of *ff*. Measure 86 starts with a dynamic of *p*. Measure 87 starts with a dynamic of *ff*. Measure 88 starts with a dynamic of *pp*.

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86

89

*8va*

*pp*

*fff pp sub.*

*8va*

*8va*

*ff* = 80 *pp sub.*

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92

*fff pp sub.*

*8va*

*8va*

*ff* = 60, nostalgic  
*8va* for 12 sec.

*8va*

97

*fff p sub.*

*p*

*mp*

*8va*

102

7

108

pp

f

p sub.

pp

112

f

pp

p

117

8va

pp

p

pp

legato f

f

mp

8va

ppp