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for the Red Note Festival

SMEAR FRAME



for flute, clarinet in B_b, electric guitar,
contrabass, and piano

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Total Duration: ca. 5'30"

Program Note

A “smear frame” is a single frame in cel animation that portrays a full range of motion of a character or object, approximating a real-life motion blur. Since the smear frame moves by quite quickly in real time, many different artistic portrayals of the “smear” are possible, leading to lots of humorous, bizarre frames—with bloated body parts and absurd facial expressions—only really visible when the frame is viewed in isolation. *Smear Frame* takes inspiration from this animation technique by mashing up excerpts of traditional animation music styles (influenced by Carl Stalling’s *Looney Tunes* scores and music from the Associated Production Music Library as heard in *SpongeBob SquarePants*, in particular) and freezing, stretching, and blurring them throughout the piece.

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Transposed Score

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Derpy, comical swing $\text{♩} = 148$

Musical score for the first section of the piece, featuring five staves:

- Flute:** Playing eighth-note patterns. Dynamics: mf . Instruction: dramatic, jazzy slide.
- Clarinet in B \flat :** Playing eighth-note patterns. Dynamics: mf con vib. Instruction: with slide.
- Electric Guitar:** Playing eighth-note patterns. Dynamics: mf like the Looney Tunes intro. Instruction: gliss.
- Contrabass:** Playing eighth-note patterns. Dynamics: mf .
- Piano:** Playing eighth-note patterns.

Musical score for the second section of the piece, starting at measure 5, featuring five staves:

- Fl.**: Playing eighth-note patterns. Dynamics: fp , mf . Instructions: bend.
- Cl.**: Playing eighth-note patterns. Dynamics: fp , mf . Instructions: bend.
- E. Gtr.**: Playing eighth-note patterns. Dynamics: $gliss.$, $\#8$. Instruction: (slide off).
- Cb.**: Playing eighth-note patterns.
- Pno.**: Playing eighth-note patterns.

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A

Fl. *sub p* 3 3 3 3 *mf* bend
Cl. *sub p* 3 3 3 3 *mf* muted either play as written or voice new chords
G¹³ + + + + (open)
E. Gtr. *p* arco (bend)
Cb. *sub p* *mf* pizz.
Pno. *sub p* *mf*

13

Fl. *fp* *f* *fp* < *f*
Cl. *fp* *f* *fp* < *f*
E. Gtr. + open *f* arco
Cb. *f* (straight) *f* *ff*
Pno. *f* *ff*

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B

3

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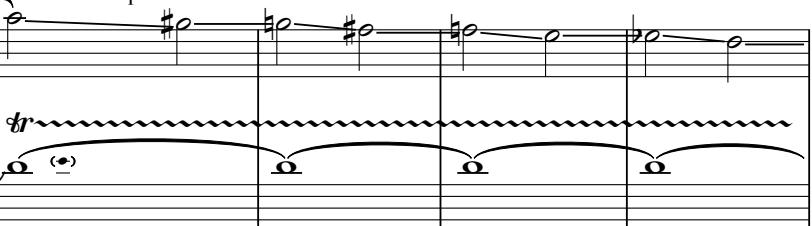
B

Fl. 16 3 ff mf bend
 Cl. 3 ff mf bend
 E. Gtr. A⁷ + D^{13(b9)} G¹³ + + + + + +
 Cb. pizz. mf
 Pno. rit.
 Fl. 20 fp tr. 3 f 3 3 3 3 3 3 3
 Cl. 3 f 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3
 E. Gtr. + + open f arco (sul pont.) gliss. gliss. gliss.
 Cb. fp sudden
 Pno. f sudden 8vb 80

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molto rit.**C** ♩ = 108**rit.**

Fl. 23 
 Cl. 

fp

dramatic lip bend

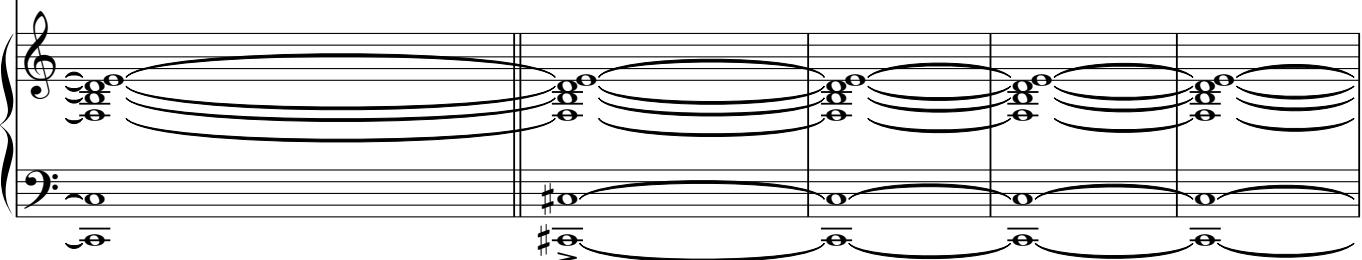
twangy, bends w/ whammy bar

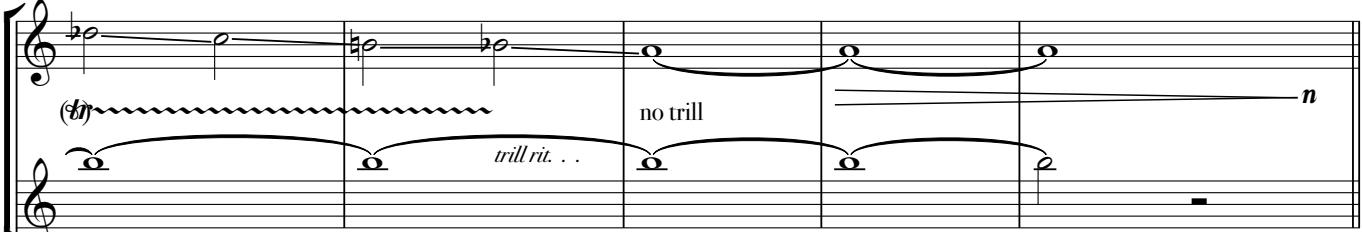
sim.

E. Gtr. 
 Cb. 

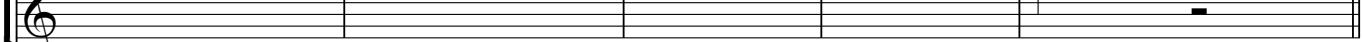
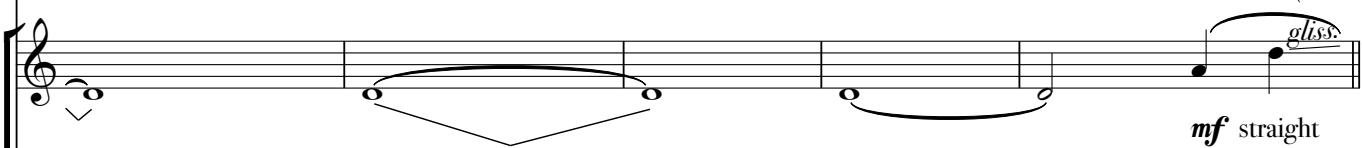
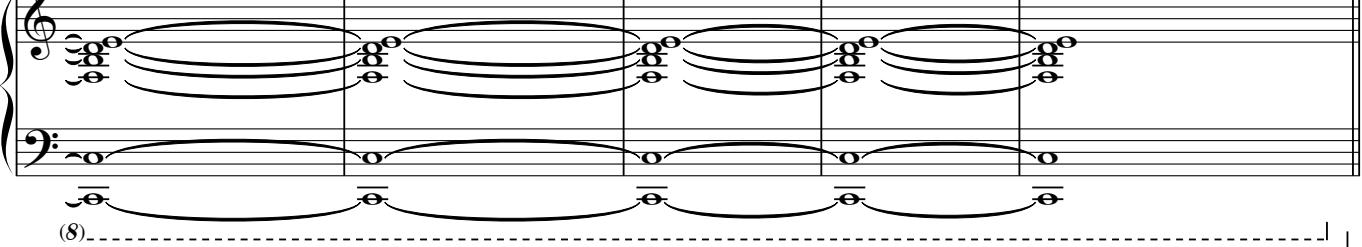
f

p

Pno. 
 (8)-----

28 
 (8) no trill **n**

mf

Cl. 
 E. Gtr. 
 Cb. 
 Pno. 

gliss. **gliss.** **gliss.** **gliss.** **gliss.**

mf straight

gliss. **gliss.** **gliss.** **gliss.**

ppp

(8)-----

D Hawaiian/Western Serenade ♩ = 88

33

Fl. ***pp*** straight

Cl. ***pp*** straight ***mp***

E. Gtr. *gliss.* *twangy Western tone*
pizz.

Cb. ***mp*** straight

Pno. ***mp*** straight

37

Fl. ***mf*** sub ***pp***

Cl. ***mf*** sub ***pp***

E. Gtr. *gliss.*

Cb. *gliss.*

Pno. ***mf*** sub ***pp***

6

E

41

Fl. *pp*

Cl. *pp*

E. Gtr.

Cb.

Pno.

==

44

Fl. *con vib.*

Cl.

E. Gtr.

Cb.

Pno. *sub **pppp** as softly as possible*

R&d.

45

Fl. *pp*

Cl. *pp*

E. Gtr.

Cb.

Pno.

with slide *gliss.*

pitches do not have to be exact
gliss.

pp 5

F molto accel.

46

Fl.

Cl.

E. Gtr.

Cb.

Pno.

gliss. *gliss.* F# *gliss.* *gliss.*

A *gliss.* B *gliss.* *gliss.* *gliss.*

p 6 7 8va -

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47

Fl.

Cl.

E. Gtr.

Cb.

Pno. *mf*

48

Fl.

Cl.

E. Gtr.

Cb.

Pno. *p*

D

Fl. *f* 6 *gliss.* 6 *gliss.* 6 *gliss.* 6 *gliss.*

Cl. *f* comic tongue/throat gliss.

E. Gtr. *gliss.* *gliss.* *gliss.* *gliss.*

Cb. *gliss.* *gliss.* *gliss.* *gliss.*

Pno. *locos* *gliss.* D *gliss.* D# *gliss.* D# *gliss.* D *gliss.*

=

Fl. 6 6 6 7

Cl. *gliss.* *gliss.* *gliss.* *gliss.*

E. Gtr. *gliss.* *gliss.* *gliss.* *gliss.*

Cb. *gliss.* *gliss.* *gliss.* *gliss.*

Pno. *gliss.* *gliss.* *gliss.* *gliss.*

10

GFrantic chase *accel.* *a* ♩=168

51

Fl. *ff*
Cl. *ff fp* *f fp*
E. Gtr. (slide out) (pizz.)
Cb. *ff f*
Pno. *f*

pitchless slide
down neck

55

Fl. *f fp* *f fp*
Cl. *f fp*
E. Gtr. pitchless offbeat "chuck"
Cb.
Pno.

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H

58

Fl. (b) *f*

Cl.

E. Gtr. B⁷ C⁹ D¹³ E^{b7}

Cb.

Pno.

fp

fp

61

Fl.

Cl. *f*

E. Gtr. C^{9(#11)}

Cb.

Pno.

fp

12

Fl.

Cl.

E. Gtr.

Cb.

Pno.

rapid strum

fp

Pno.

sub p

=

I

Fl.

f

Cl.

f *fp*

E. Gtr.

E^oma⁷ pitchless offbeat "chuck"

E. Gtr.

Cb.

Pno.

f

13

68

Fl. Cl. E. Gtr. Cb. Pno.

f *fp* —————— *f*

70

Fl. Cl. E. Gtr. Cb. Pno.

A \flat 7(b9b13) A \sharp 7

arco (ord.) gliss.

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J

14

72

Fl.

Cl.

E. Gtr.

Cb.

Pno.

B^ø7 **C^{7b9}** **C^{#m6/9}**

p

p
pizz.

p

75

Fl.

Cl.

E. Gtr.

Cb.

Pno.

fp

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15

78

tr.

Fl. f

Cl. ffp

E. Gtr. G7(b9b13) f

Cb. f

Pno. f

81

Fl. mf ff

Cl. ff

E. Gtr. Cm⁶

Cb. gliss.

Pno. ff

16

K ♩ = 120 rit.

Fl.

Cl.

E. Gtr.

Dick Dale Surf slide (w/ pick and slide)

subff *p*

Cb.

Pno.

ff

=

L 90
Like a hokey haunted house ♩ = 92
rit.

Fl.

Cl.

E. Gtr.

ppp *p*

Cb.

Pno.

con portamento, poco sul pont.

n

95 ♩=88 fl.t. lip bend rit.

Fl.
Cl.
E. Gtr.
Cb.
Pno.

100 ♩=80 ord, senza vib.

Fl. **ppp**

Cl. **p** **ppp**

E. Gtr. with wammy bar, overdrive
fade in w/ volume pedal
f ord.

Cb. **gliss.** **gliss.** **gliss.** **gliss.**

Pno. **8vb** **ppp**

ord. vib. 3

M rit.
Drunk Swing

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18

105 fl. t. lip bend (ord.) fl. t.

Fl. *mf* drunk/laughing gliss. *ppp*

Cl. *mf* con vib. *ppp*

E. Gtr. muted, clean + open *gliss.* *ppp*

Cb. *mf* *ppp*

Pno. *mf* *p* *ppp*

(8) *gliss.*

=
108 Lazy $\text{♩} = 80$ rit.

$\text{♩} = 88$

Fl. *mp* drunk/laughing gliss.

Cl. clean bend freely away to slide *ppp* *mf*

E. Gtr. *mp*

Cb. *mp* *mf* *p* *mf* *pizz.*

Pno. *mf*

rit.

112

Fl. *fp* *f*

Cl. Rhapsody glissando *gliss.* *gliss.* *gliss.*

E. Gtr. *fp* (with slide) *gliss.* *gliss.* *gliss.*

Cb. fall away freely

Pno.

"Laughing" effect 5

115

Fl.

Cl. *fp* *mf*

E. Gtr. with slide (and vib.) *gliss.* *mf*

Cb. *gliss.* *mp* *gliss.*

Pno. *ppp* 6 *p* 5 5 *ppp*

N

Red.

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Più mosso ♩=84 rit.

lip bend (as smooth as possible)

Fl. -
 Cl. -
 E. Gtr. -
 Cb. -
 Pno. -

117
 pp 3rd (as smooth as possible)
 f con vib.
 f con vib.
 f pizz. trem.
 f
 8va -
 tr -
 fp -

2

i21 **O** poco accel.
♩ = 88

lip bend

$\text{♩} = 96$
accel.

Musical score for orchestra and piano, measures 11-12.

Flute (Fl.): Swooping bend.

Clarinet (Cl.): gliss.

English Horn (E. Gr.): fp (fortissimo), straight.

Cello (Cb.): p (pianissimo).

Piano (Pno.): (8) (6) pp (pianississimo), mf (mezzo-forte).

Spiraling out of control • = 124 21

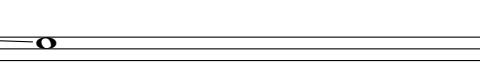
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Fl. 

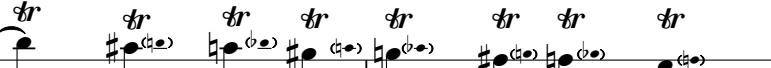
Cl. 

E. Gtr. 

Cb. 

Pno. 

(8) 

loco 

二

128

Fl.

Cl.

E. Gtr.

Cb.

Pno.

trill rit...

accel.

22

131

Fl.

Cl.

E. Gtr.

Cb.

Pno.

mf

gloss.

mf

mf

mf

accel.

P ♩ = 168

133

Fl.

Cl.

E. Gtr.

Cb.

Pno.

accel.

P ♩ = 168

8va

23

135

Fl.

f

Cl.

f

E. Gtr.

f

Cb.

f

(8)

Pno.

f

ff

ff

ff

=

137

molto rit.

J=220

Fl.

sub p

Cl.

sub p

E. Gtr.

sub p

straight, with overdrive
palm mute opening up → + + + +

Cb.

sub p

straight →

(8)

Pno.

sub p

straight →

p

Q Giant Smear ♩ = 168

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24

139

Fl. *ff* *gliss.*

Cl. *ff* open (overdrive, with slide) as continuous as possible, reattack power chord freely as needed

E. Gtr. *ff* *gliss.* *gliss.* *gliss.* *gliss.* *gliss.* *gliss.* *gliss.*

Cb. *ff* arco as twangy as possible

Pno. *ff* *8va* *loco*

141 ♫ ♪.

Fl. *gliss.* *gliss.* *gliss.* *gliss.* *gliss.* *gliss.* *gliss.*

Cl. *gliss.* *gliss.* *gliss.* *gliss.* *gliss.* *gliss.* *gliss.*

E. Gtr. *gliss.* *gliss.* *gliss.* *gliss.* *gliss.* *gliss.* *gliss.*

Cb. *v* *v* *v* *v* *v* *v* *v*

Pno. *8va* *ff* *ff*

Musical score for orchestra and piano, page 25, measures 143-144. The score includes parts for Flute (Fl.), Clarinet (Cl.), Bassoon (B. Cb.), Double Bass (D. B. Cb.), Trombone (Trom.), and Piano (Pno.). The tempo is marked as 143. The score shows various glissando markings (gliss.) and dynamic markings like forte (f), piano (p), and sforzando (sf). Measure 143 starts with a forte dynamic. Measures 144-145 show a series of eighth-note patterns with glissando markings. Measure 145 concludes with a piano dynamic.

R fl.t.
Fl.
Cl.
E. Gtr.
Cb.
Pno.

molto rit.

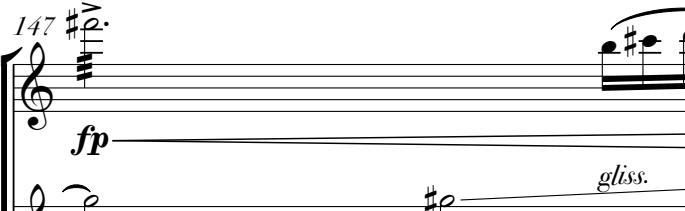
gliss. *gliss.* *gliss.* *gliss.* *gliss.* *gliss.* *gliss.* *gliss.* *gliss.*

gliss. *gliss.* *gliss.* *gliss.* *gliss.* *gliss.* *gliss.* *gliss.* *gliss.*

8va *loco*

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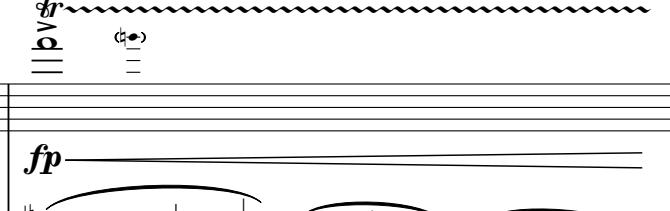
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147  

Fl. *fp* Cl. *ff*
 Cl. *gliss.* E. Gtr. *gliss.* Cb. *gliss.*
 E. Gtr. *gliss.* Cb. *gliss.* Pno. *gliss.*
 Cb. *gliss.* Pno. *gliss.*

Pno. *8va*



149  

Fl. *fp* Cl. *fp*
 Cl. *gliss.* E. Gtr. *gliss.* Cb. *gliss.*
 E. Gtr. *gliss.* Cb. *gliss.* Pno. *gliss.*
 Cb. *gliss.* Pno. *gliss.*

E. Gtr. *accel.* *palm mute, opening up*
 Cb. *sub p*
 Cb. *loco*
 Pno. *loco*
 Pno. *fp*
 Pno. *sub p*



C ♩=168

S tr
b > (b)

27

Musical score for orchestra and piano, page 27, measures 151-152.

Measure 151: Flute (Fl.) plays a sustained note with dynamic *fp*. Clarinet (Cl.) plays eighth-note patterns. Bassoon (Bsn.) plays eighth-note patterns. Double Bass (Cello/B. Cb.) plays eighth-note patterns. Electric Guitar (E. Gtr.) plays eighth-note patterns. Piano (Pno.) plays eighth-note patterns.

Measure 152: Flute (Fl.) plays a sustained note with dynamic *fp*. Clarinet (Cl.) plays eighth-note patterns. Bassoon (Bsn.) plays eighth-note patterns. Double Bass (Cello/B. Cb.) plays eighth-note patterns. Electric Guitar (E. Gtr.) plays eighth-note patterns. Bassoon (Bsn.) plays eighth-note patterns. Piano (Pno.) plays eighth-note patterns.

Measure 153: Flute (Fl.) plays a sustained note with dynamic *ff*. Clarinet (Cl.) plays eighth-note patterns. Bassoon (Bsn.) plays eighth-note patterns. Double Bass (Cello/B. Cb.) plays eighth-note patterns. Electric Guitar (E. Gtr.) plays eighth-note patterns. Bassoon (Bsn.) plays eighth-note patterns. Piano (Pno.) plays eighth-note patterns.

(b) 

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28

T

155

Fl. *ff*

Cl.

E. Gtr. *ff* G7(\flat \flat \flat \sharp \sharp \sharp \sharp)

Cb. *ff* *gloss.*

Pno. *ff* *gloss.*

157

Fl.

Cl.

E. Gtr. w/ slide, con vib.

Cb. straight

Pno.

159

Rhapsody gliss.

gliss.

fff

freely slide away
l.v.

n

quick slide away

fff

8va

fff

Fl.

Cl.

E. Gtr.

Cb.

Pno.