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A Little Spice

Ryan Meeboer

Using some Latin percussion influence, *A Little Spice* is meant to be a fun percussion piece for any level of players. Not only do most of the parts get an opportunity to play short solos throughout the piece, all instruments combine to create a catchy, upbeat groove. Although the toms and agogo bells often have the more interesting parts, all instruments play an important role, so be sure not to play these too loudly. Also be sure to have call/response sections well balanced, especially in the solo sections so these solos are not downplayed.

If agogo bells are not available, cowbells could be substituted.

Tom-toms Bass Drum Agogo Bells

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Ryan Meeboer is a music educator who obtained his degree through the Ontario Institute for Studies in Education at the University of Toronto. As a composer, he has written and arranged many pieces for students in concert and jazz bands, and has also composed and arranged pieces for small university combos. As a performer, he has had experience in several groups, including concert and stage bands, chamber choir, vocal jazz ensemble, pop groups, acoustic duets, and the Hamilton based swing group, The Main Swing Connection.

Ryan Meeboer began studying music at the age of seven through private guitar lessons. During his years in elementary and secondary school, Ryan gained experience in several families of instruments. Focusing on music education and theory (including composition and orchestration), he attended McMaster University to achieve his honours degree in music.

Please contact the composer if you require any further information about this piece or his availability for commissioning new works and appearances.

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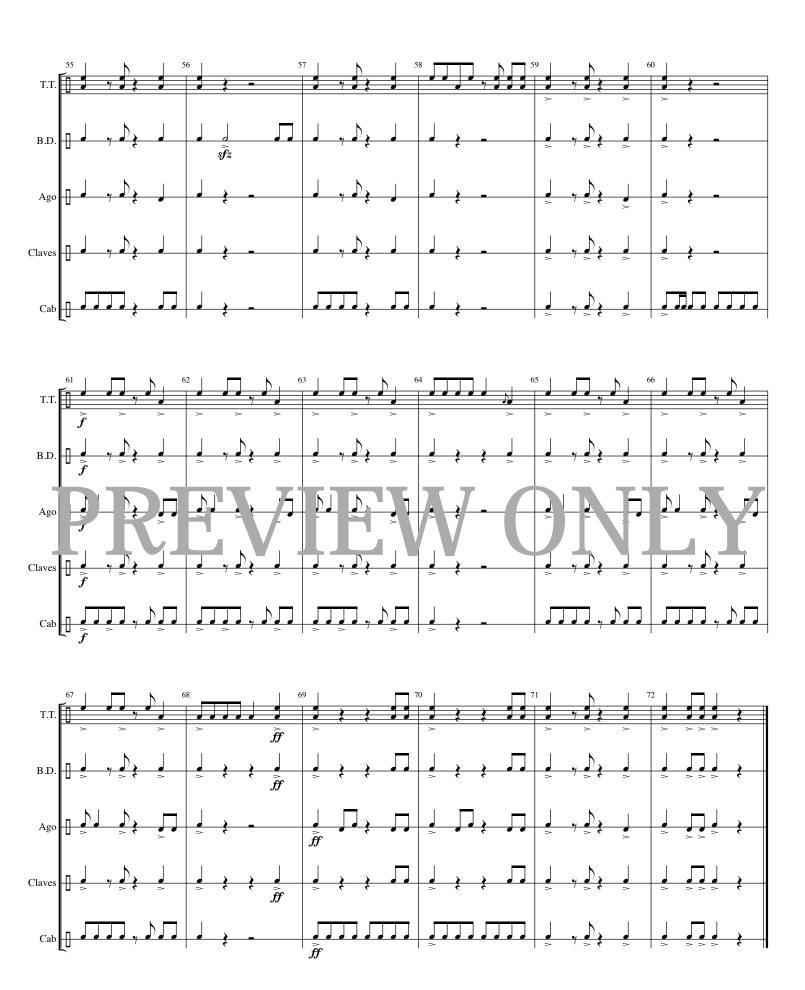
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