

Fire Weather

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SSAA div. Chorus, piano

Duration: 5 minutes

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Compiled from various news sources by the composer

There is fire all around.

Late summer, early autumn

Howling, hot wind

One small spark

Could ignite

Destruction

Years of neglect

Take their toll.

Who will be next?

We need action.

We need change.

We need rain.

Performance Notes:

At the beginning, each of the voice parts should repeat the text spoken softly until two beats before their 1st sung entrance.

In measure 37, the pianist should reach inside the piano and glissando downwards in the lowest register of the piano on the strings emulating thunder. If this is not possible, put the forearm on the lowest register of the keys and dampen the pedal.

From measure 80 to the end, all voices should repeat the figure in the box independently. Follow crescendo and decrescendo as normal.

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Dark and foreboding ♩=72
spoken, repeat ad lib.

SOPRANO 1
There is fire all around us ***p*** Late

SOPRANO 2
spoken, repeat ad lib.
There is fire all around us

ALTO 1
spoken, repeat ad lib.
There is fire all around us

ALTO 2
spoken, repeat ad lib.
There is fire all around us

Piano
molto espressivo
p ***f***
pedal ad lib. except where indicated

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S. sum - mer _____ Late sum - mer _____

S. *p* Ear - ly _____ au - tumn _____ Ear - ly _____ au - tumn _____

A. *lean into the dissonance* *p* Late sum - mer _____

A. *p* Ear - ly _____

Pno. *p* *mf*

16

S. *f* How - ling, hot wind _____ How - ling, hot wind _____

S. *f* How - ling, hot wind _____ How - ling, hot wind _____

A. *f* How - ling, hot wind _____ How - ling, hot wind _____

A. *f* au - tumn _____ wind _____ How - ling, hot wind _____

Pno. *p*

21 A

S. *sub. p* One small spark *p* One

S. *p* One

A. *p* One

A. *p* One

Pno. *f* *ppp*

PERUSIA

24

S. small spark

S. small spark

A. *p* One small spark

A. *p* One small

Pno.

PERUSIA

26

S. One small spark

S. One small spark

A. small spark

A. spark One small

Pno.



28

S. *f*

S. *f*

A. *f*

A. *f*

Pno.

30 **B**

S. *p* *f* *ff*
 Could_ ig - nite_ de - struc - tion._

S. *p* *f* *ff*
 Could_ ig - nite_ de - struc - tion._

A. *p* *f* *ff*
 Could_ ig - nite de - struc - tion._

A. *p* *f* *ff*
 Could ig - nite_ de - struc - tion._

Pno. *f* *p*

37 **C**

S. *p* *mf* *p* *mf*
 Years_ of ne - glect. Years_ of ne - glect.

S. *p* *mf*
 ah of_ ne - glect.

A. *p* *mp*
 Years_ Take_

A. *p* *mp*
 Years_ Take_

Pno. *ff* l.v.
 (thunder strike
 gliss strings in lowest register
 inside piano)

43

p *p* *f* *rit.*

S. Take, take their toll.

S. their toll. their toll.

A. their toll. their toll.

A. Take their toll.

Pno.

47

p *f* *a tempo*

S.

S.

A. *p* *f* *mp* Take their toll.

A. *p* *f* *mp* Take their toll.

Pno.

52

S. *p* *f*
Who_____ will_____ be next?

S. *p* *mf* *pp*
Who_____ will be next?__

A. *p* *mf* *pp*
Who_____ will be_____ next?_____

A. *p* *mf* *pp*
Who_____ will be_____ next?_____

Pno. *pp* bell-tones

59 **D**

S.

S.

A.

A.

Pno.

66 E

S. We need

S. We need

A. We need change. We need

A. We need a - ction. We need

Pno. *f* *p* *mp*

72 *ff*

S. a - ction. We need change. *ff*

S. a - ction. We need change. *ff*

A. a - ction. We need change. *ff*

A. a - ction. We need change. *ff*

Pno. *p* *f*

76

S. *p* We need rain. close to "nn"

S. *p* We need rain. close to "nn"

A. *p* We need, need rain. close to "nn"

A. *p* We need rain. close to "nn"

Pho. *p* *mf*

80

F

S. *mf* *p* nn nuh

S. *mf* *p* nn nuh

A. *mf* *p* nn nuh

A. *mf* *p* nn nuh

Pho. *p* *f*