

Cold Can

for piccolo and percussion

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Dedicated to Ian Flynn (1960-2025).

Performance notes:

- Accidentals only apply to the notes to which they're directly attached, unless connected by a tie.
- Grace notes are intended to be played freely and should not be rushed.
- A controlled rubato should be employed throughout.

For the piccolo:

- All trills are to be played with the notated pitch and the semitone above
- ord. = regular tone.
- breathy = somewhat airy tone but still with discernible pitch.
- air = just air sound with little or no discernible pitch.
- an arrow connecting different markings indicates to gradually shift from one to another.

For the percussion:

- The percussion instrumentation consists of a glockenspiel and five pieces of junk.
- All the percussion is to be played with hard rubber mallets.
- The junk should be made up of scrap metal with the following tone qualities (ordered from the top line down):
 - LINE 1 = like a bell, resonant, high pitch.
 - LINE 2 = like the bell of a ride cymbal, lower in pitch than LINE 1 but still resonant.
 - LINE 3 = like a splash cymbal, somewhat resonant but less clear than LINE 1 and 2.
 - LINE 4 = like a closed hi-hat, not resonant.
 - LINE 5 = like a bongo drum, not resonant.
- Although using traditional percussion instruments as descriptive reference points, all the scrap metal should still sound "junky", rundown, and tattered.

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♩ = c.108

Piccolo

Junk

Glockenspiel

o.b. ord. → air → breathy → air → ord. → breathy → air → ord. →

ff *pp* *f* *n* *ff* *n* *mf* *pp* *f* *n* *mf*

5:3♭ 3 6:5♭ 3 5 7:6♭

Picc.

breathy → ord. air → breathy → air → breathy → ord. → air →

p *mp* *pp* *ff* *mf* *p* *mf* *n*

5:3♭ 5 3 7 3

Picc.

air → breathy → o.b. breathy → air → breathy →

f *n* *mf* *pp* *f* *p* *n* *ff* *pp* *mf* *ppp* *f*

8:5♭ 5:3♭ 5 7:5♭ 3 3

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12 Picc. *pp* *ff* *p* *ff* *n* *f* *p* *f* *pp* *f* *pp* *mf* *pp*

16 Picc. *f* *pp* *mf* *ff* *mf* *p* *mf* *n* *pp* *f*

19 Picc. *p* *f* *n* *mp* *ff* *f* *pp* *mf* *pp* *mf* *n* *f*

Glk. *p* *pp* *p* *pp*

Glk. *p* *pp*

Annotations: o.b., breathy, air, ord., 9:5♭, 7, 3, 5:3♭, 7, 9:5♭, 7:6♭, 3, 8:5♭, 5:3♭, 3, 5, 13:8♭, 5.

22

Picc.

ord. air ord. air

mf $\rightarrow$ pp $\rightarrow$ mf $\rightarrow$ p $\rightarrow$ f

n $\rightarrow$ f $\rightarrow$ p $\rightarrow$ mf n $\rightarrow$ mf n $\rightarrow$ f $\rightarrow$ pp

5 9:5♭ 3 5:3♭ 6:5♭ 3

Glk.

mf p pp mp p

5 5:3♭ 7:5♭ 3

25

Picc.

air ord. breathy air ord. o.b. ord.

f $\rightarrow$ pp $\rightarrow$ mp $\rightarrow$ pp $\rightarrow$ f p $\rightarrow$ ff n $\rightarrow$ f $\rightarrow$ p $\rightarrow$ f

3 7 5:3♭ 3

Jnk.

Glk.

n $\rightarrow$ mp p pp mp

5:3♭ 3 8:5♭ 3

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28 Picc. *air* → *breathy* *o.b. air* → *ord.* *air* *ord.* → *air* *breathy*

pp *mf* *p* *f* *fp* *mf* *pp* *mp* *pp* *f* *n* *p* *pp* *f*

Jnk. *n* *mf* *p* *mp* *n* *mp* *p*

Glk. *n* *mf* *p* *mp* *n* *mp* *p*

31 Picc. *air* → *ord.* *air* → *ord.* *breathy* *ord.* *ord.* *o.b.*

pp *ff* *pp* *f* *pp* *mf* *p* *mf* *p* *mf* *ff*

Glk. *pp* *pp*

34

Picc. *ord.* *breathy* *air* *ord.* *o.b.ord.* *air*

f *ff* *pp* *mf* *n* *mp* *pp* *mf* *pp* *f*

Jnk. *f* *p*

Glk. *5* *3*

38

Picc. *breathy* *air* *breathy* *ord.* *breathy*

ff *n* *mf* *pp* *f* *pp* *mf* *ppp* *f* *ffp* *mf* *n* *f*

Jnk. *3* *9:5*

Glk. *+* *+* *f* *n*

42

Picc. *ord.* *air ord.* *air ord.* *breathy* *air*

Jnk.

Glk.

mp *f* *p* *ff* *n* *mf*

f *n* *f* *n* *ff* *n* *f* *p* *n* *f* *p*

46

Picc. *ord.* *o.b. ord.* *o.b. ord.* *air* *breathy* *ord.*

Jnk.

Glk.

n *mf* *pp* *f* *n* *mf* *n* *mf* *p* *f* *pp* *mf* *pp* *mf* *pp*

pp *mf* *p* *mf*

50

Picc. *f* *n* *mf* *ff* *pp* *ff* *mp* *ff*

Jnk.

Glk. *n* *f* *p* *mp* *n* *f* *n* *f*

air ord. air breathy o.b. ord. gl. air

3 5:3 9:5 3 5:3 3

53

Picc. *f* *pp* *ff* *n* *f* *mf* *f* *mf* *ff*

Jnk.

Glk. *pp* *f* *3* *9:5*

breathy air ord. air ord. o.b.

3 7:6 3 7 3

$\text{♩} = \text{c.126}$

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56

Picc. *breathy* *n* *f* *mp* *ord.* *breathy* *n* *f* *mp* *f* *n* *gl.*

Jnk. *p* *9* *pp* *n* *f* *3* *3* *p* *3* *9*

Glk. *n* *f* *3* *p* *3* *9*

59

Picc. *breathy* *ord.* *air* *ord.* *air* *ord.* *breathy* *ord.* *ff* *5:3* *mp* *f* *mf* *f* *mp* *ff*

Jnk. *f* *5* *5* *5:3* *n* *3* *f*

Glk. *f* *5* *5:3* *n* *3* *f*

Picc. 63 breathy o.b. breathy ord.

mp *f* *mf* *ff* *mp* *f* *mf* *ff* *p* *f* *mp*

Jnk. *n* *f* *p* *ff* *mf*

Picc. 67 air ord.

f *mf* *f* *p* *ff* *pp* *f*

Jnk. *f* *p*

Glk. *f*

71

Picc. *breathy* *ord.* *breathy* *air* *ord.*

n *mf* *n* *mf* *ppp* *f* *n* *mp* *ppp*

Jnk.

Glk. *6* *mp* *3*

11:6^b

7

75

Picc. *o.b. ord.* *air* *breathy* *ord.*

f *pp* *mf* *pp* *f* *mp* *ff* *p* *ff* *f*

Jnk.

Glk. *p* *mp* *8:5^b* *n* *f* *5*

9:5^b

78

Picc. *mp* *f* *mp* *ff* *p* *f* *mp* *f* *p*

Jnk.

Glk. *mp*

breathy air ord. air ord. breathy

81

Picc. *ff* *mp* *f* *p* *ff* *p* *f* *p* *ff* *mp*

Jnk.

Glk. *f* *mf* *n* *f*

ord. air breathy ord. air breathy breathy

84

Picc.

Jnk.

Glk.

7:5J 3

9:5J 3

9

f *mp* *f* *pp* *f* *mp* *ff* *mp* *f* *p*

air

ord.

air

ord.

air

9:5J *n* *f* *n* *ff* *n* *f* *n* *f*

7

5

87

Picc.

Jnk.

3

7:6J 5

5:3J 9:5J 3

f *mp* *ff* *mp* *f* *p* *f* *p* *ff* *pp* *f* *mp* *ff* *pp* *f*

ord.

air

ord.

breathy

ord.

air

ord.

breathy

ord.

5:3J 3

5

3

5

n *f* *n* *f* *mf* *n* *fp* *ff*

91

Picc. *mp* *fp* *ff* *p* *ff* *breathy* *mp* *ff* *mf* *air ord.*

Jnk. *7:6* *7:5* *n* *f* *3* *n* *ff* *3* *9:5*

Glk.

95

Picc. *ff* *breathy* *n* *mf*

Jnk. *p* *3* *5* *gl.* *f* *p* *mp* *p* *7*

Glk. *3*

c. 108

100

Picc. *pp* *f* *fpp* *mf* *n* *f* *air* *breathy* *air*

Jnk.

Glk. *mf* *n* *f* *pp* *mp* *p* *5:3* *7:5* *3* *5* *3*

104

Jnk.

Glk. *5:3* *3* *5* *5:3* *3*

108

Picc. *ff* *pp* *mf* *ppp* *f* *breathy* *n* *mf* *n*

Jnk.

Glk. *pp* *mf* *9:5* *3* *p* *3* *5*

112

Picc. *f* *n* *mf* *n* *mf* *n* *mf*

Glk. *6:5* *3* *5:3* *5*

breathy ord. air

116

Jnk. *n* *f p* *n* *mf* *p*

Glk. *7* *7:6* *3*

120

Picc. *n* *mf* *ord.* *air* *ord. air* *mf* *pp* *mf* *p* *f*

Glk. *5:4* *3* *5:3* *n* *f* *p* *mf* *3*

breathy ord. air ord. air

123

Picc. *ord. air* *ord. air* *breathy* *ord.*

n *f* *pp* *mf* *n* *mf* *n* *f* *ppp*

Jnk.

Glk. *n* *mf* *n* *mf* *p*

126

Picc. *breathy* *ord.* *breathy*

f *ppp* *mf* *p* *f* *ppp* *mf* *pp*

Jnk.

Glk. *pp* *mp* *pp* *mp* *p* *mf* *n*

129

Picc. *mf* *pp* *f* *ppp* *air* *ord.* *breathy* *ord.*

Jnk. *mf* *p* *n* *mf* *n* *fp* *5:3*

Glk. *n* *mf* *n* *fp* *3* *7* *5:3*

132

Picc. *mf* *pp* *f* *pp* *f* *ppp* *breathy* *air* *breathy* *ord.*

Jnk. *n* *fp* *n* *f* *n* *f* *p* *3* *n* *mf* *p* *9:5* *n* *mf*

Glk. *n* *fp* *n* *f* *n* *f* *p* *3* *n* *mf* *p* *9:5* *n* *mf*

136

Picc. *breathy* *ord.* *o.b.* *ord.*

mf *pp* *mf* *p* *ff* *ppp*

Jnk. *p* 3 5:3 *n* 3 *n* 5:3 *f* 5 *fp*

Glk. 6:5

140

Picc. *ff* *ppp* *breathy* *ord.* *breathy* *ord.*

mf *ppp* *mf* *p* *f* *ppp*

Jnk. 7 *n* *mf* *n* *mf* *p* *f*

Glk. 7:6

144

Picc. *breathy* *mf* *pp* *f* *pp* *mf* *n* *f* *ppp* *ff* *ppp* → o.b. ord.

Jnk. *p* *mf* *n* *mp* *n* *mf* *p* *n* *f* *n* *f*

Glk. *p* *mf* *n* *mp* *n* *mf* *p* *n* *f* *n* *f*

148

Picc. *ff* *ppp* *f* *p* *ff* *air* *ord.* *3* *air*

Jnk. *p* *f* *p* *f* *n* *f* *p* *f*

Glk. *p* *f* *p* *f* *n* *f* *p* *f*

152

Picc. *breathy* *ord.*

Jnk.

Glk.

n *f* *10:7♭* *5* *pp* *ff* *ppp* *ff* *ppp* *ff*

n *mf* *5:3♭* *3* *n* *mf* *5:3♭* *n* *f* *n* *f* *n* *ff* *5* *3* *p*

n *mf* *n* *f* *n* *f* *n* *ff* *5* *3*

156

Picc. *breathy* *ord.*

Jnk.

Glk.

n *ff* *5:3♭* *3* *pp* *ff* *ppp* *mf* *ppp* *f*

n *fp* *7:5♭* *3* *n* *5* *9:5♭* *n* *mf*

3 *n* *fp* *3* *n* *5* *9:5♭* *n* *mf*

160

Picc. *pp* *mf* *f* *n* *mf* *pp* *ff* *ppp*

Jnk. *n* *mf* *n* *f* *p* *n* *f* *p*

Glk. *n* *f* *p*

161 162 163 164 165 166 167 168

164

Picc.

breathy

ord.

air

ord.

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Jnk.

Glk.

f

pp

mf

pp

f

n

ff

pp

ff

ppp

f

mp

n

mf

n

f

p

ff

n

f

n

7

3

gl.

7:6♭

5:3♭

3

9:5♭

168

Picc.

breathy

ord.

f *n* *ff* *pp* *f* *pp* *ff* *ppp*

Jnk.

f *p* *mf* *ff* *p* *n* *mf* *f* *n* *f*

Glk.

173

Picc.

breathy

ord.

ff *n* *f* *pp* *f* *pp* *ff* *ppp*

Jnk.

n *f* *p* *f* *n* *fp* *f* *n* *mf* *n* *f*

Glk.

177

Picc. *breathy* *ord.*

Jnk.

Glk.

f p *ff ppp* *f* *ppp* *f ppp*

mf *mp* *n* *f* *mp* *n* *f* *n* *mf*

5 3 5 3 5

5:3 3

182

Picc. *breathy* *ord.*

Jnk.

Glk.

f p *f* *n* *ff* *ppp* *f* *ppp* *f* *pp* *ff ppp*

n *f* *n* *mf* *n* *f* *n* *f* *n* *f* *p* *mf*

6 5 3 5:3 5 3

5 3 8:5 5 3

186

Picc. *breathy*

Jnk.

Glk.

f

p *f* *p* *ff* *p*

p

n *mf*

n *f*

mp

3 5 3

190

Picc. *ord.*

Jnk.

Glk.

f *mp* *ff* *n* *f* *ppp* *ff* *n* *ff* *ppp*

n *mf*

n *f* *n* *f* *mp* *n* *f*

7:5 3 3 5:3 9:5 5

194

Picc. *ff* *n* *f* *ppp* *f* *p* *ff* *ppp*

Jnk. *mp* *n* *f* *n* *f* *n* *f* *n* *f*

Glk. *mp* *n* *f* *n* *f* *n* *f* *n* *f*

breathy ord.

5:3 9

7 5

3

5

197

Picc. *ff* *p* *ff* *ppp* *ff* *ppp*

Jnk. *n* *f* *p* *n* *f* *n* *f* *n* *f* *mp* *f* *n* *ff*

breathy ord. breathy ord.

5:3 3

4 8

5 3

3

5 3

201

Picc.

Jnk.

Glk.

ff *ppp* *ff* *n* *ff* *n* *ff* *ppp*

3 *mp* 8:5 *mp* 7:5 *n* *f* 3 *n* *f* 3 *n*

5

205

Picc.

Jnk.

Glk.

ff *ppp* *f* *n* *f* *n* *f* *mp* *n* *ff*

9:5 *f* *n* *f* 7 7 3