Temporal Waves

for guitar quartet (or percussion quartet)

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Temporal Waves Performance Notes

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CELLS

In *Temporal Waves* each guitarist has a number of repeating cells to play; fading in and out completely before pausing and starting the next one. When exactly each player starts and stops their cells varies slightly with each performance, but it must line up with the other players.

Each cell should be approx. 15 seconds long or less. 5 seconds fading in from ppp to f; repeat at f for 5 seconds; then fade out again to ppp for 5 seconds. There should be a break to acquire the new tempo and prepare the next cell.





METRIC MODULATIONS

Temporal Waves utilizes metric modulations to frequently change tempi proportionally.

Tempos are given:

- When a new pulse enters, such as when one guitarist starts playing quarter notes while others are playing eighths. [i.e. (=135)] This is not necessary of course but is convenient during practice when starting the piece in the middle.
- In bold when a metric modulation occurs. [i.e. h = h (=270)]

After a new pulse is introduced all following players must line up homophonically with it.

All players read from the full score, there are no parts.

Players take their cue to start new cells from following the others. (ie. Guitarist 2 will begin his cell once Guitarist 1 has completed his crescendo)



Each note should be free to ring out as much as possible. As a result some fingerings may be difficult. The fingerings are given if it isn't obvious but alternative fingerings are allowed as long as the notes are still free to ring.

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