Chopawamsic

for Bb trumpet and soundfile

for James Zingara

by

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Performance Notes:

Accidentals only apply to the line or space on which they are written. Octaves are not assumed with accidentals.

Program Notes:

I grew up in Prince William County, Virginia and the county's southern border follows the Chopawamsic Creek. The creek is a tributary of the Potomac River. Chopawamsic was also the name of an 18th-century plantation located in the adjacent Stafford County and was a seat of the Mason family. George Mason II, grandfather of the author of the United States Bill of Rights, built the plantation. The large sandstone manor did not survive the Civil War, and in 1942, much of the area along Chopawamsic Creek that once belonged to the estate was taken over by the United States Government to create the Marine Corps Base at Quantico. The word Chopawamsic, means "Isolated Lodge" in Algonquian.

The soundfile portion of the piece was created using sounds from the Native American Indian CD from *Acid Loops*. Many of these sounds were digitally modified using *Sound Forge*, and then assembled in *Audacity*. The piece was commissioned by James Zingara and is dedicated to him. The piece was premiered by Dr. Zingara on the inaugural recital of the Southeastern Electro-Acoustic Composers Collective on September 30, 2017 at the University of Alabama at Birmingham.

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Duration: 5:13

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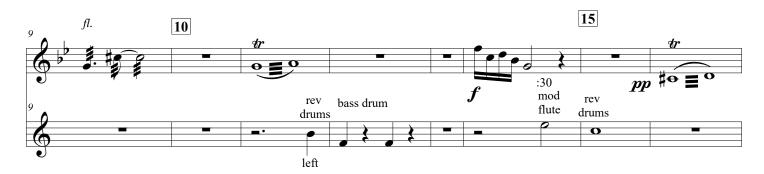
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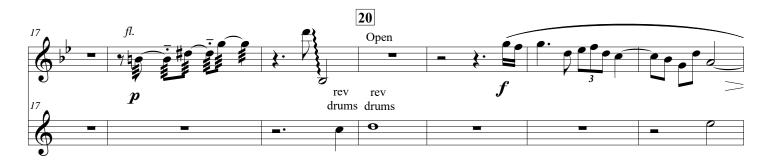
Bb Trumpet

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The composer welcomes any questions concerning *Chopawamsic* and would greatly appreciate hearing about performances. Inquires and programs should be sent to:

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