

Comme pour les *Tableaux d'une exposition* de Moussorgski, *Au clair d'un croissant* se compose de quatre mouvements reliés par une série des promenades sur un thème. Basé sur un souvenir de mon enfance, ce thème provient plus exactement d'une phrase de *Au clair de la lune*, la première mélodie homophonique que j'ai apprise au piano. Les instrumentistes emploient parfois des jouets ou des outils d'éveil musical. Cette suite ludique veut donner à l'auditeur une sensation de rêve lucide dans un cadre nostalgique.

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Avec l'aide à l'écriture d'une oeuvre musicale originale
du Ministère de la Culture/Direction régionale des affaires culturelles d'Ile-de-France

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Flute

dispose

- Slide Whistle
- Piccolo

Oboe

dispose

- An additional reed
- Duck (bird's call)
- Harmonica in F

Clarinet

dispose

- Tit (bird's call)
- Kazoo

Bassoon

dispose

- An additional reed
- Harmonica in C

Horn

dispose

- Cuckoo S size (bird's call)

Trumpet

dispose

- Cuckoo M size (bird's call)

Trombone

dispose

- basson reed
- Cuckoo L size (bird's call)
- Water Whistle

Percussion

- Vibraslap (wooden)
- Woodpecker
- Stirring drum (normal type without ball) with its mallet
- Ratchet (with crank, orchestra model)
- Tubular Bells ; E5, C5
- Alarm Clock (with bells)
- Waterphone with Marimba mallet and Contrabass bow
- Corrugated Tube
- Siren Whistle
- Crotales (2 octave set) with Contrabass bow
- Kazoo

Piano

dispose

- Bass Melodica (Suzuki Melodion bass, Hammond BB, Hohner Melodica Basso, etc.)
- Superball Mallet
- Music Box : Au clair de la lune

prepare

- Insert a 2 cent euro coin as "sewing" the string of F3, G#3, D6
- Insert an earplug (made from a memory foam) between the string of G3, B3, D#5, B#5

Violin I

dispose

- Liix Ding Dong Bells for Bicycle

Violin II

dispose

- Rubber Chicken Toy for animals Low (squeaky toy, not for human babies)

Viola

dispose

- Rubber Chicken Toy for animals Middle

Cello

dispose

- a very small clothepin (length ± 2 cm) or a crocodile clip
- Rubber Chicken Toy for animals High

Contrabass

dispose

- a knitting-needle (size 3) made of metal
- a very small clothepin (length ± 2 cm) or a crocodile clip
- Portable Electric Alarm
- a piece of Styrofoam
- Music Box : Debussy's Clair de Lune

Notation for String instruments

Seagull effect = a stopped harmonic with glissando down the length of the fingerboard, **without adjusting the space between the fingers** (which thereby diminishes the interval)

s.p. = sul ponticello

s.t. = sul tasto

ord. = ordinario

m.s.p. = moltissimo sul ponticello (almost touch the bridge)

flt. = flautando

Au clair d'un croissant

Flânerie I

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Andante (♩ = ±80)

Flute (Piccolo)

Oboe

Clarinet in B♭

Bassoon

Horn in F
 * Remove the valve-slide (choose the slide according to the desired height),
 Plug the hole completely using the palm of your finger,
 Play like the air-sound continuously and hardly to saturate the air in the instrument
 then, Release the finger according to the suggested hight and length

Stuffed air-noise*
 Air noise flutter-tongue R
 Air noise flutter-tongue R
 f

Trumpet in C

Trombone

Percussion

Piano
 Completely innocent, as a child playing the piano for the first time
 mf

Violin I

Violin II

Viola

Cello
 put the clothespin on IV around the fingerboard
 where you get a complex harmonics

Contrabass
 1) insert a knitting-needle (made of metal, size 3)
 between the bridge and the tailpiece as knitting 4 strings
 2) put the clothespin on III & II around the fingerboard
 where you get a complex harmonics