Hungarian Fast Polka

Éljen a Magyar! (Hail to Hungary)
polka schnell for orchestra
Op. 332 (RV 332)

Johann Strauss, Jr. was born on October 25, 1825, in Vienna, Austria. For more than half a century Johann II captivated not only Vienna but also the whole of Europe and America with his wonderfully memorable waltzes, polkas, quadrilles and marches.

To coincide with the opening of Pest's imposing new Redoutensaal building, the Strauss brothers -- Johann, Josef and Eduard -- had organized two concerts there on March 16 and 17 of 1869. It was at the first of these that Johann conducted his quick polka, ***Éljen a Magyar!*** which was composed especially for the occasion and dedicated "to the Hungarian Nation."

This exciting work, further enhanced at its première by the participation of the Budapest Men's Choral Association, was enthusiastically applauded and had to be repeated several times. The Coda of the work features a fleeting quotation from the ***Rákóczi March*** (attributed to John Bihari and incorporated into compositions by both Liszt and Berlioz).

The polka was published in Vienna by Carl Anton Spina in 1869.

Johann Strauss, Jr. died on June 3, 1899, in Vienna, Austria.

Full Score

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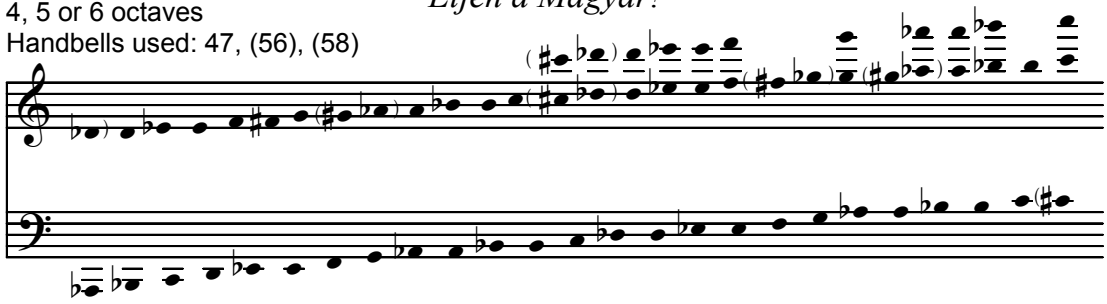
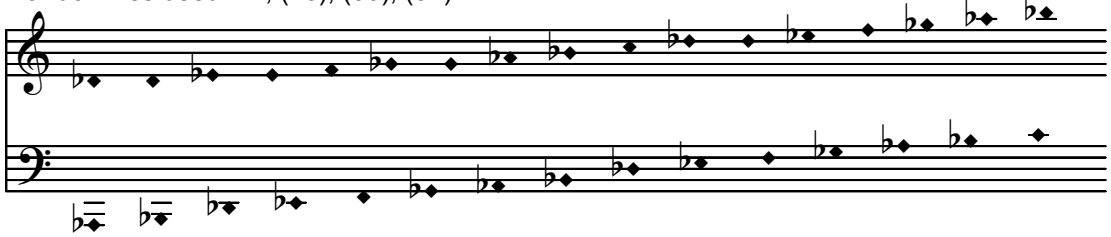
4, 5 or 6 octaves
Handbells used: 47, (56), (58)



3, 4, 5 or 5.5 octaves
Handchimes used: 24, (26), (30), (32)



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5 and 6 octave choirs omit notes in < >.

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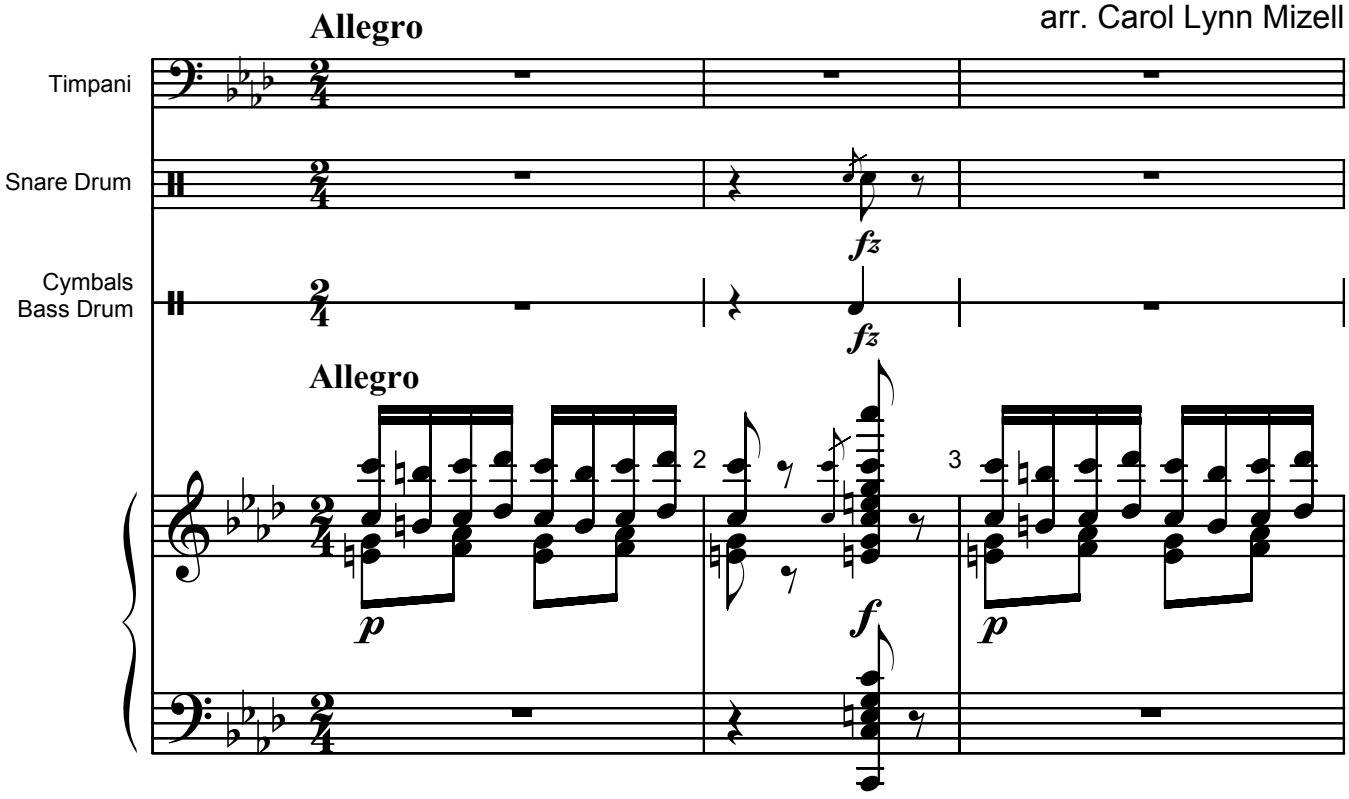
arr. Carol Lynn Mizell



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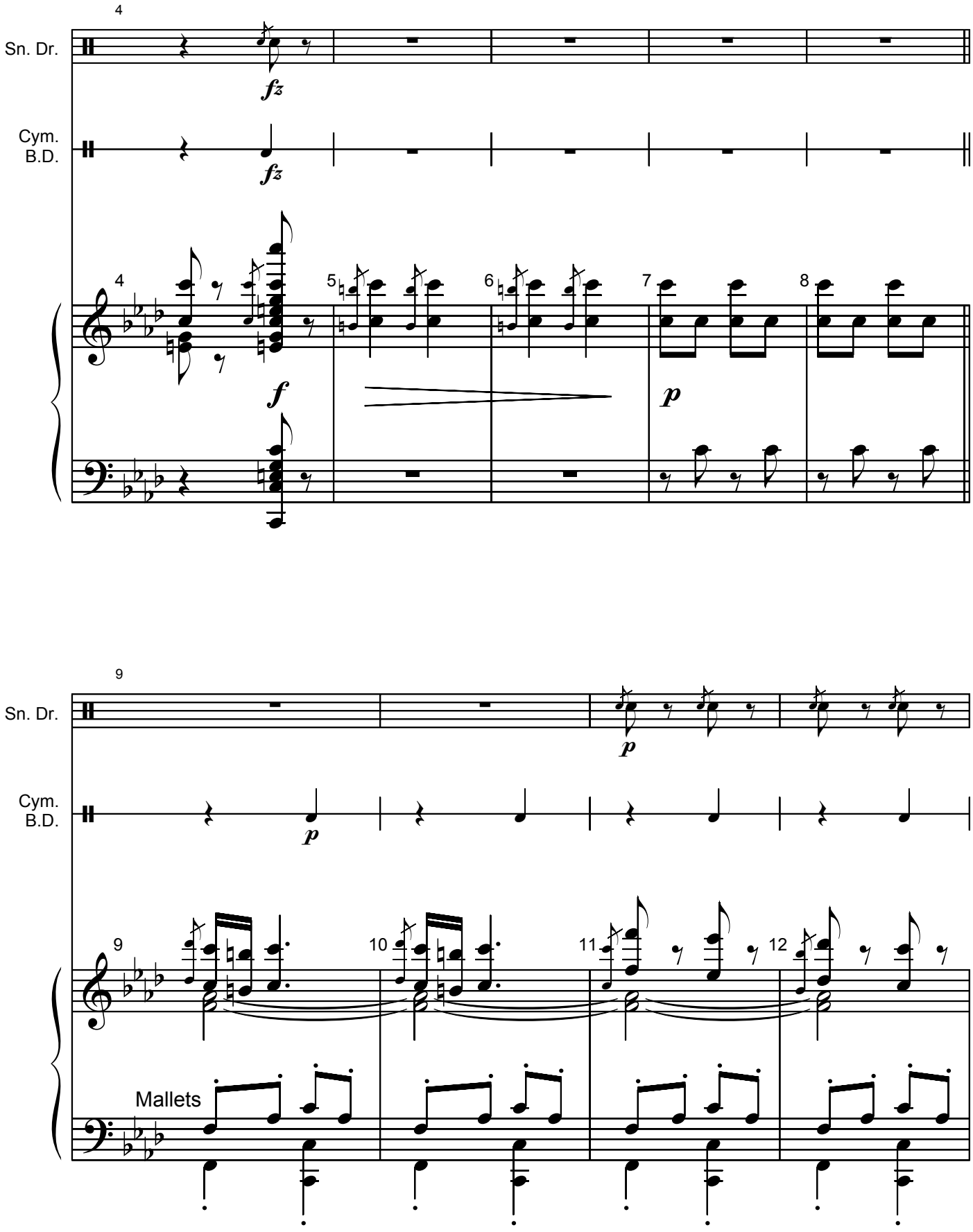
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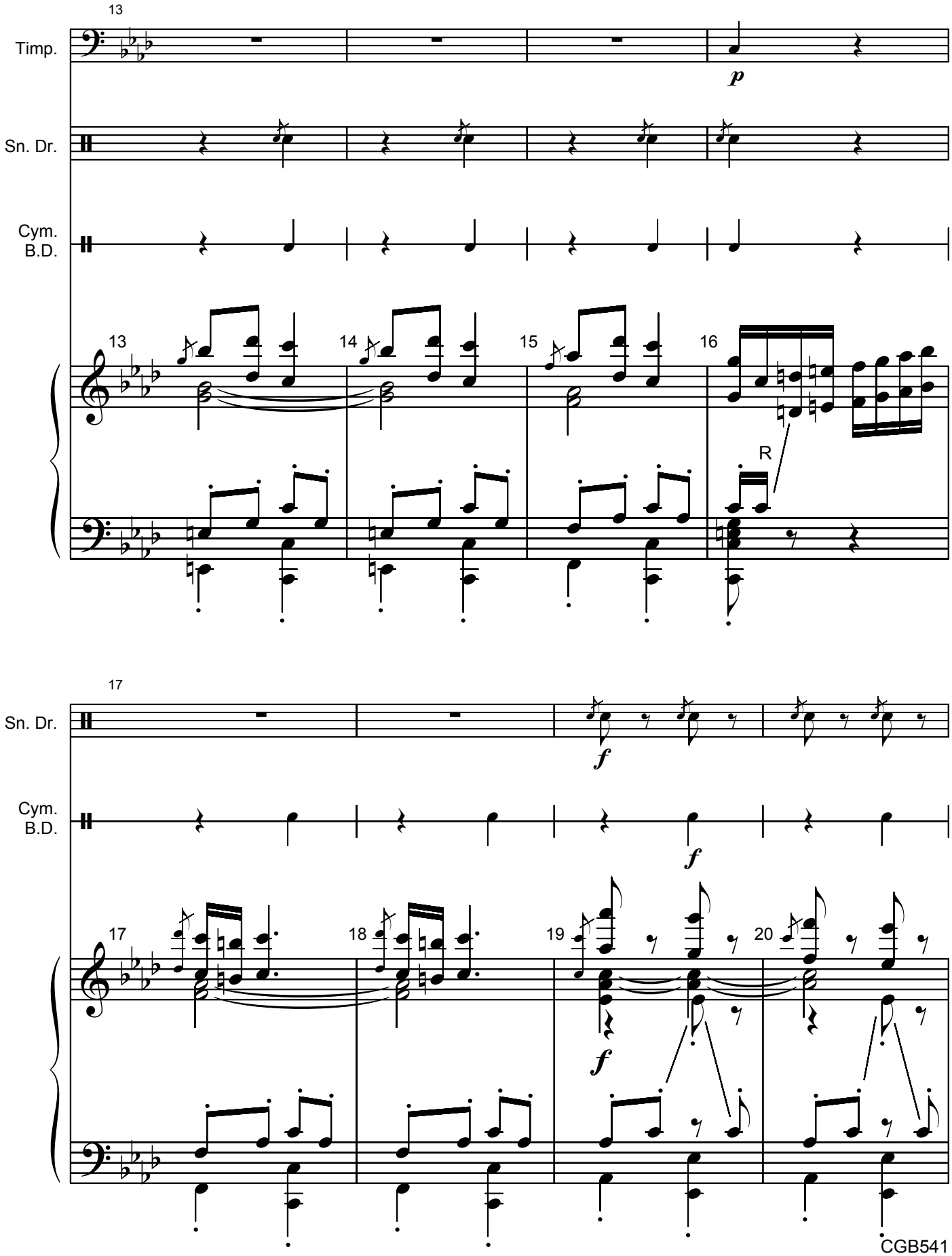
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Timpani

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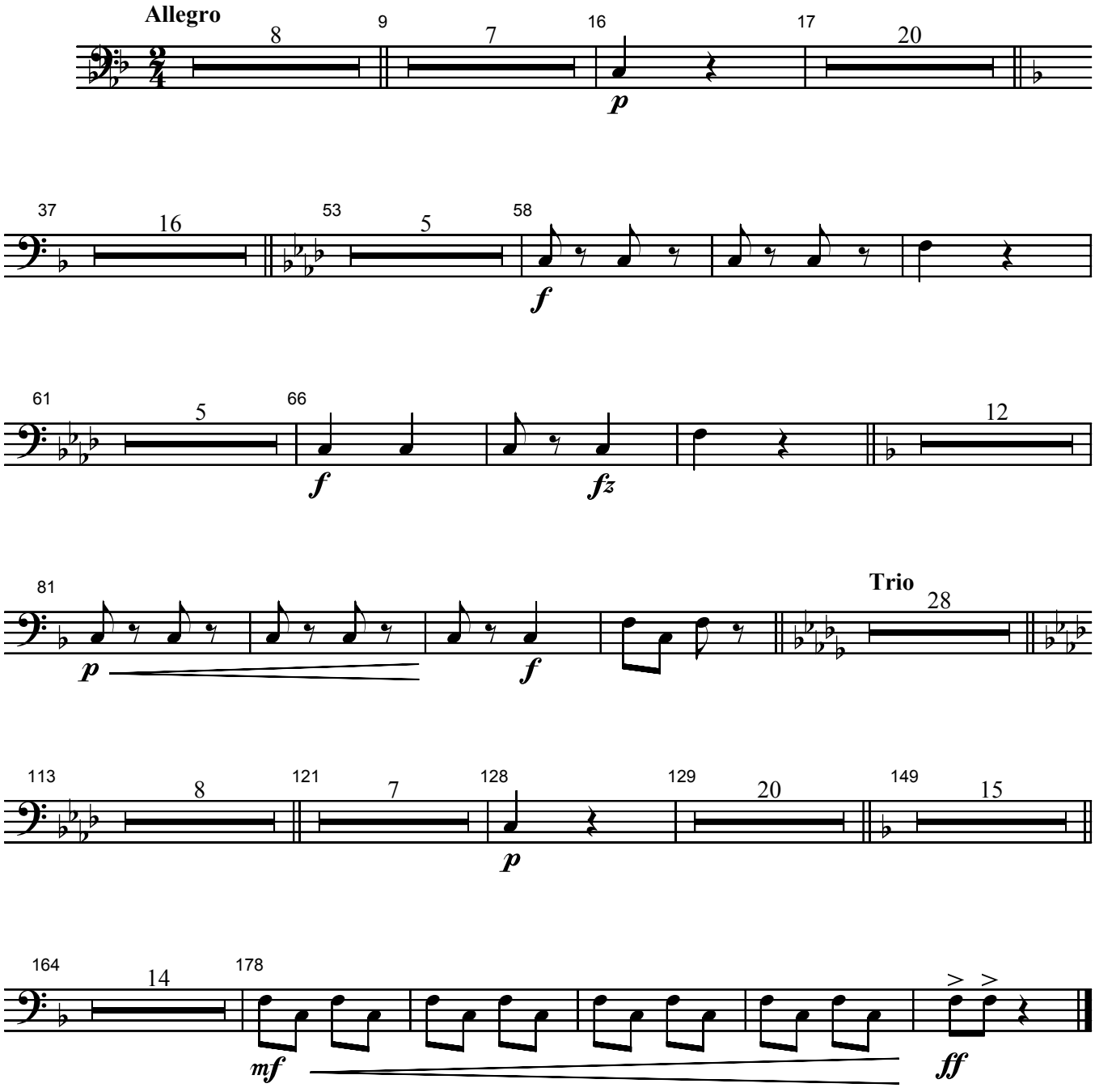

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Snare Drum

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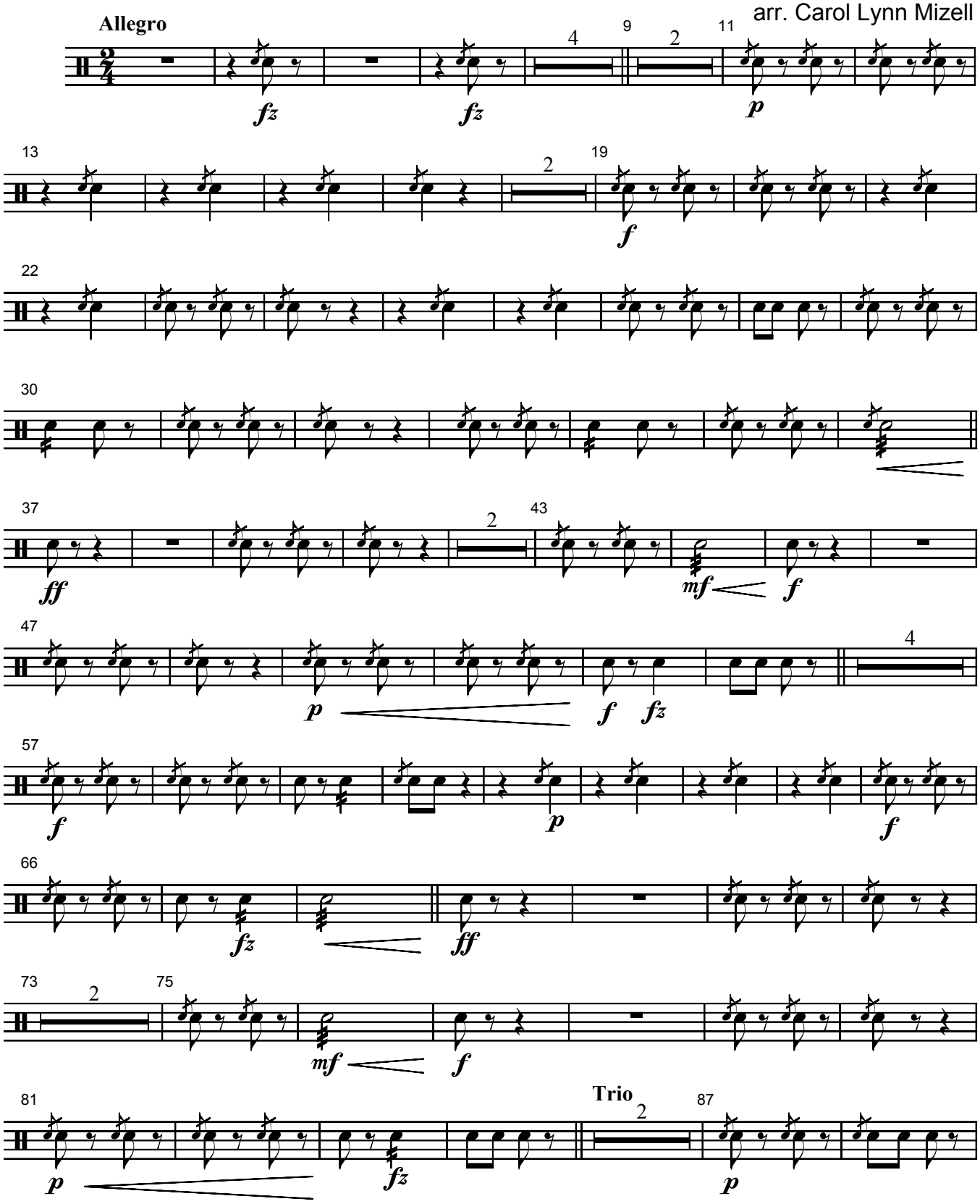

Cymbals
Bass Drum

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