

The instruments of the wind ensemble

An introduction for a young audience

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The trumpet

The trumpet is a brass instrument that is a lot smaller than the horn (**show trumpet**).

The resonance length of the tube is only around 1.5 m. The bell is directed straight into the audience, resulting in a clear and shining sound color. Three valves are used for expanding the number of different notes to be played (**trumpet plays some scales**). For playing very high parts in baroque music the smaller piccolo trumpet is used, suitable for playing very sparkling and virtuoso passages and solos.

The trumpet does not only play an important role in the symphony orchestra but also in the jazz orchestra or band and, together with the clarinets, in the military and marching bands. The clear tone of the trumpet is very suitable for the performance of the light and bright parts in music. And any call for action can well be boosted by the direct forward projection of the trumpet sound.

(Now the trumpet plays the solo, duet or trio depending on the availability).

Allegro molto ♩. = 166

Trumpet

7

14

molto rubato

