## SECOND HOUR EXAM

21M.220 — Spring 2007

Please write your name on this page and not on any other page.

If you finish the exam early, please feel free to hand it in and leave quietly.

Good luck!

Name\_\_\_\_\_

#### A. Listening (40%)

1. (3) Title of Composition	
(2) Composer (or anon.)	
(1) Author <b>or</b> Title of Text	
(1) Approximate Date (within 20 years)	

(3) Discuss some aspects of the style of this piece, its genre etc. There are at least two things which are really new in this piece, what are they?

(2) Discuss some aspects of either (a) this composer's life and employment or (b) other works of his and their influence or both.

3. (2) Title

(2) Composer (or anon.) \_\_\_\_\_

(1) Date of Composition (within 20 years)

(2) How are specific moments of the text brought out by the composer in his or her choice of orchestration or harmonic setting?

4. (2) Title	
(2) Composer	
(2) Genre and Form (aabb	etc)
(1) Approximate date (with	hin 30 years)
5. (2) Title	
(2) Composer/Author	
(1) Genre	

(3) Discuss how this composition is related to a particular religious philosophy, and how another religion adapted its music in response.

### B. Short Answers (32%)

Choose 1 selection from each of the following pairs of terms and define it, making reference to specific pieces, people, and movements. At the bottom of each page are staves to use for musical examples—you may wish to use them to demonstrate your own hypothetical examples.

1. Parody and cantus firmus mass	or	Instruments in the Renaissance
2. John Dowland	or	birth of opera
3. the Italian madrigal	or	the English madrigal
4. Music and City Life in London	or	Music connected with S. Marco

Each question will be graded 0–5 multiplied by 8/5.

### Answer each question on the separate pages provided

### C. Essay (28%)

Intelligent performance always goes beyond simply playing or singing the notes on the page. One must be sensitive to the cultural context in which a piece was composed, biographical details that might have affected who performed a piece or where, and unspoken assumptions which we no longer assume.

In a well-written but short essay (omit long introductions and conclusions) explain some major points and problems dealing with the performance of Medieval, Renaissance, or Early Baroque pieces.

Make reference to specific pieces, people, and places in your essay. At the bottom of each page are staves to use for musical examples—you may wish to use them to demonstrate your own hypothetical examples.

Graded 1–10 multiplied by 14/5.

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3. the Italian madrigal

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(if you need more paper ask, or continue onto the back of previous pages)