

Ice Fog

for alto saxophone, piano and live electronics

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(Duration: 7'00")

Ice fog appears when humidity in very cold air freezes into small ice crystals to form a thick fog. Suspended in the air, the ice crystals are delicate, and will only remain as fog if there is no wind. Ice fog can therefore only exist on very calm and cold winter days (with a temperature below -30° Celsius). If there is an air movement, the ice fog dissolves.

This composition attempts to create the same feeling of a frozen and fragile moment of magic stillness. The piano plays a sparse music around the saxophone's sustained multiphonics. The live electronic part suspends the timbres and creates a slow moving fog around which the instruments move.

Ice Fog was written for Allen Harrington and Laura Loewen.