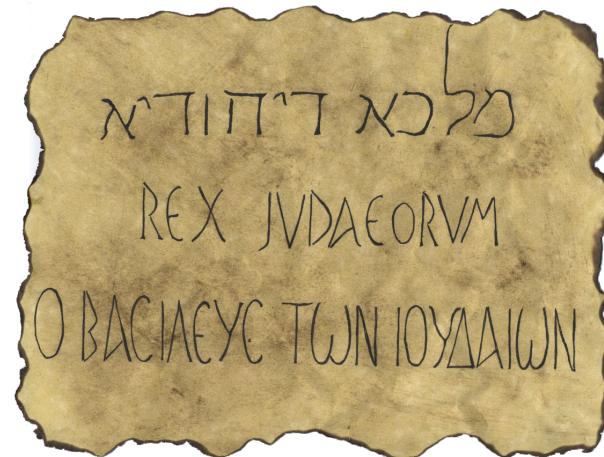




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c. 11 minutes

PROGRAM NOTE:

*Verba Ultima* is a choral mini-drama portraying the intense, chaotic emotions of the crucifixion. Thus the text includes not only the last words of Christ, but elements that move the action along: the words of the crowd as it turns into a bloodthirsty, taunting mob; the statements of the two thieves, one despairing, one hopeful; and the austere narrative passage “erat autem fere hora sexta”. The crowd sections often build to climaxes which are interrupted by the soprano saxophone and the tenor section, who for the most part share the role of Christ. The saxophone also intensifies the emotion of the crowd, occasionally supporting and doubling the voice parts.

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Filiae...

*Daughters of Jerusalem, weep not for me, but weep for yourselves, and for your children.  
Filii nostri, fili nostri.*

*Crucifige, crucifige illum! Sanguis eius super nos et super filios nostros!  
[Crucify, crucify him! His blood be on us and on our children!]*

*Father, forgive them; for they know not what they do.*

*Si tu es Christus, salvum fac temet ipsum et nos.  
[If you are the Christ, save yourself and us!]*

*Domine, memento mei cum veneris in regnum tuum.  
[Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.]*

*Truly, today you shall be with me in Paradise.*

*Hail, King of the Jews!*

*Qui destruit templum et in triduo illud reaedificat, salva temet ipsum. Si Filius Dei es, descende de cruce.  
Alios salvos fecit, se ipsum non potest salvum facere. Confidet in Deo, liberet nunc eum.  
[You who would destroy the temple and build it in three days, save yourself! If you are the Son of God,  
come down from the cross. He saved others, himself he cannot save. He trusted in God; let God deliver  
him now.]*

*Eli, eli, lama sabachthani?  
[My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me?]*

*This man calls for Elijah. Now leave him alone. Let us see whether Elijah will come to save him.*

*Erat autem fere hora sexta, et tenebrae factae sunt in universa terra usque in nonam horam, et  
obscurantus est sol, et velum templi scissum est medium.  
[It was now about the sixth hour, and there was darkness over all the earth until the ninth hour, and the  
sun was darkened, and the veil of the temple was rent in twain.]*

*Father, into Thy hands I commend my spirit.*

*Consummatum est  
[It is finished.]*

*Surely this was a righteous man.*

*Matthew 27: 25, 29, 40, 42-43, 46-47, 49*

*Luke 23: 21, 28, 34, 39, 42-47*

*John 19: 30*

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Matthew 27: 25, 29, 40, 42-43, 46-47, 49

Luke 23: 21, 28, 34, 39, 42-47

John 19: 30

Carol Barnett

**Soprano Sax (concert pitch)**

**Soprano**

**Soprano**

**Alto**

**Alto**

**Tenor**

**Bass**

**Keyboard (for rehearsal only)**

*beady eyes Publishing*

Sax. S. 5

*f* *mf* *ff*

S. 5 *f* *mf* *ff* *pp subito*

S. 5 *f* *mf* *ff* *pp subito*

A. 5 *f* *mf* *ff* *pp subito*

A. 5 *f* *mf* *ff* *pp subito*

T. 8 *mf* *ff*

B. Ah, *mf* *ff* *p*

Fili - ae,

Kybd. (reh.) 5



## VERBA ULTIMA

$\bullet = c. 66$  *poco più mosso*

S Sax.  $\bullet = c. 66$  *poco più mosso* (♩ = ♩)

T  $\bullet = c. 66$  *poco più mosso* (♩ = ♩)

B  $\bullet = c. 66$  *poco più mosso* (♩ = ♩)

B  $\bullet = c. 66$  *poco più mosso* (♩ = ♩)

Kybd.  
(reh.)  $\bullet = c. 66$  *poco più mosso* (♩ = ♩)

*Daugh - ters of Je - ru - sa - lem, weep*

*Daugh - ters of Je - ru - sa - lem, weep*

*Daugh - ters of Je - ru - sa - lem, weep*

poco accel.

♩ = c. 72

S Sax. 16      cresc. poco a poco      dim.

S      Ah,

S      Ah,<sup>3</sup>

A      Ah,<sup>3</sup>

A      Ah,<sup>3</sup>

T      not, \_\_\_\_\_  
          weep not for me, but weep \_\_\_\_\_

B      not, \_\_\_\_\_  
          weep not for me, but weep \_\_\_\_\_

B      not, \_\_\_\_\_  
          weep not for me, but weep \_\_\_\_\_

Kybd. (reh.) 16      poco accel.      ♩ = c. 72

Sax. 20 *rall.* ♩ = c. 60

S 20 *rall.* ♩ = c. 60 *mp* *p*

S *p*

A *p*

A *p*

T *mp* *p*

B *mp* *p*

Kybd. (reh.) *rall.* ♩ = c. 60 *3*

Allegro ( $\text{♩} = \text{c. } 126$ )

24

Soprano (S): nos - tri, fi - li nos - tri.

Alto (A): nos - tri, fi - li nos - tri.

Alto (A): nos - tri, fi - li nos - tri.

Tenor (T): nos - tri, fi - li nos - tri.

Bass (B): weep, weep.

Bass (B): weep, weep.

Keyboard (Kybd. reh.): chords.

pp (spoken)

Allegro ( $\text{♩} = \text{c. } 126$ )

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30 **tutti *ppp***  
 A mm  
 T (spoken) ***pp***  
 B ***pp*** (spoken)  
 B sim.  
 Kybd. (reh.)

A sim.  
 T Cru - ci - fi - ge, il - lum! Cru - ci - fi - ge, sim.  
 B Cru - ci - fi - ge, il - lum! Cru - ci - fi - ge, sim.  
 Kybd. (reh.)

36 ***pp*** — ***p*** — ***pp*** — ***p***  
 A Cru - ci - fi - ge, il - lum! Cru -  
 T sim. fi - ge, il - lum! Cru - ci - fi - ge, Cru - ci - fi - ge, il - lum! Cru - ci - fi - ge, Cru - ci -  
 B il - lum! Cru - ci - fi - ge, Cru - ci - fi - ge, il - lum! Cru - ci - fi - ge, Cru - ei - fi - ge, il - lum! Cru - ci - fi - ge, Cru - ci - fi - ge  
 B Cru - ci - fi - ge, Cru - ci - fi - ge, il - lum! Cru - ci - fi - ge, Cru - ci - fi - ge, il - lum! Cru - ci - fi - ge, Cru - ci - fi - ge, il - lum!

Kybd. (reh.)

42

Soprano (S) vocal line:

Cru - ci - fi - ge,      cru - ci - fi - ge,      il - lum! Cru - ci - fi - ge,      cru - ci - fi - ge,

Soprano (S) vocal line:

Cru - ci - fi - ge,      cru - ci - fi - ge,      il - lum! Cru - ci - fi - ge,      cru - ci - fi - ge,

Alto (A) vocal line:

- ci - fi - ge,      cru - ci - fi - ge,      il - lum! Cru - ci - fi - ge,      cru - ci - fi - ge,

Tenor (T) vocal line:

fi - ge il - lum! Cru - ci - fi - ge,      cru - ci - fi - ge il - lum! Cru - ci - fi - ge,      cru - ci - fi -

Bass (B) vocal line:

il - lum! Cru - ci - fi - ge,      cru - ci - fi - ge il - lum! Cru - ci - fi - ge,      cru - ci - fi - ge,

Bass (B) vocal line:

Cru - ci - fi - ge,      cru - ci - fi - ge il - lum! Cru - ci - fi - ge,      il - lum! Cru - ci - fi -

Kybd. (reh.) piano line:

47

Soprano (S) Alto (A) Tenor (T) Bass (B) Keyboard (Kybd. reh.)

*cru - ci - fi - ge,      cru - ci - fi - ge il - lum! Cru - ci - fi - ge,      Cru - ci - fi - ge il - lum! Cru - ci -*

*cru - ci - fi - ge,      cru - ci - fi - ge il - lum! Cru - ci - gi - ge,      cru - ci - gi - ge il - lum! Cru - ci - fi - ge,*

*cru - ci - fi - ge,      cru - ci - fi - ge il - lum! Cru - ci - fi - ge,      cru - ci - fi - ge il - lum! Cru - ci - fi - ge,*

*ge,      cru - ci - fi - ge il - lum! Cru - ci - fi - ge,      cru - ci - fi - ge, cru - ci -*

*ge,      cru - ci - fi - ge il - lum! Cru - ci - fi - ge,      cru - ci - fi - ge, cru - ci -*

*ge,      cru - ci - fi - ge il - lum! Cru - ci - fi - ge,      cru - ci - fi - ge, cru - ci -*

*48*

52

*cresc. poco a poco*

S      fi - ge,      cru - i - fi - ge il - lum! Cru - ci      fi - ge,      cru - ci - fi - ge,      cru - ci - fi - ge il - lum!

S      *cresc. poco a poco*

S      cru - ci - fi - ge      il - lum! Cru - ci - fi - ge,      cru - ci - fi - ge il - lum! Cru - ci - fi - ge il - lum!

A      *cresc. poco a poco*

A      cru - ci - fi - ge il - lum!      Cru - ci - fi - ge il - lum!      Cru - ci - fi - ge il - lum!      Cru - ci - fi - ge il - lum!

T      *p*  
8      fi - ge,      cru - ci - fi - ge il - lum!      Cru - ci - fi - ge il - lum!      Cru - ci - fi - ge il - lum!

T      *cresc. poco a poco*

B      *p*  
8      fi - ge,      cru - ci - fi - ge il - lum!      Cru - ci - fi - ge il - lum!      Cru - ci - fi - ge il - lum!

B      *cresc. poco a poco*

B      fi - ge,      cru - ci - fi - ge il - lum!      Cru - ci - fi - ge il - lum!      Cru - ci - fi - ge il - lum!

Kybd.  
(reh.)

52

56

S S A T B Kybd. (reh.)

Cru - ci - fi - ge il - lum! Cru - ci - fi - ge il - lum! San - guis e - ius su - per nos et su - per fi - li - os  
Cru - ci - fi - ge il - lum! Cru - ci - fi - ge il - lum! San - guis e - ius su - per nos et su - per fi - li - os  
Cru - ci - fi - ge il - lum! Cru - ci - fi - ge il - lum! San - guis e - ius su - per nos et su - per fi - li - os  
8 Cru - ci - fi - ge il - lum! Cru - ci - fi - ge il - lum! San - guis e - ius su - per nos et su - per fi - li - os  
Cru - ci - fi - ge il - lum! Cru - ci - fi - ge il - lum! San - guis e - ius su - per nos et su - per fi - li - os  
Cru - ci - fi - ge il - lum! Cru - ci - fi - ge il - lum! San - guis e - ius su - per nos et su - per fi - li - os

56

S A T B Kybd. (reh.)

no - stros. accel.

A no - stros. p cresc.

T 8 no - stros. Cru ci - fi - ge, cru - ci - fi... cru ci - fi - ge, cri - ci - fi... cru ci - fi - ge, cresc.

B no - stros. p cresc.

Kybd. (reh.)

61

S A T B Kybd. (reh.)

Cru - ci - fi - ge,

no - stros. Cru ci - fi - ge, cru - ci - fi... cru ci - fi - ge, cri - ci - fi... cru ci - fi - ge, cresc.

accel.



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69

S Sax.

S

S

A

T

Kybd.  
(reh.)

dim.

*mf*

*dim.*

*3*

*p*

*mp*

Fa - ther,

76

S Sax.

S

A

T

B

Kybd.  
(reh.)

*c. 66 poco più mosso*

*pp*

*p*

*pp*

*p*

*p*

Fa - ther for - give them; for they know not what they do.

*pp*

Tu

*c. 66 poco più mosso*

80

S Sax.

S

A

T

B

Kybd.  
(reh.)

si tu es Christ-us, sal - vum fac te met ip - sum et nos. Si tu es Christ-us, si tu es  
si tu es Christ-us, sal - vum fac te met ip - sum et nos. Si tu es Christ-us, si tu es  
Si tu es Christ-us,

80

87

S Sax.

A

T

B

Kybd.  
(reh.)

rit.

*p*

*pp*

Oo,

me - men - to me - i cum ve - ne - ris in reg - num tu - um. (mm)

*p*

*pp*

me - men - to me - i cum ve - ne - ris in reg - num tu - um. (mm)

rit.

*d = c. 108*

S Sax.

S

A

T

B

*pp*

Oo

*mp*

ah

*mp*

ah

*p*

*mp*

Tru - ly, to - day you shall be with me in Par - a -

*mp*

Oo

*d = c. 108*

Kybd.  
(reh.)

102  $\#^{\text{2}}$   $\text{c. 116}$

S Sax.  $p$

S  $p$   $\text{c. 116}$

A  $p$

T 8 *dise.* Hail, King of the Jews! King of the Jews!

B  $mp$  3 Hail, King of the Jews! King of the Jews!

Kybd. (reh.)  $\text{c. 116}$  3 3 3

108  $\text{c. 96 subito}$

S Sax. -

S  $pp$   $\text{c. 96 subito}$

A  $pp$

T 8 *cresc.* 3 King of the Jews! King  $^3$  of the Jews! Hail! \_\_\_\_\_

B  $cresc.$  3 King of the Jews! King  $^3$  of the Jews! Hail! \_\_\_\_\_

Kybd. (reh.)  $\text{c. 96 subito}$

113

S Sax. *f* *mp*

A *mp*  
Qui de - stru - it tem - plum\_\_ et in tri - du - o il - lud re - ae - di - fi - cat, sal - va te - met ip - sum.

T

B

Kybd.  
(reh.)

120

S Sax.

A *p*  
Sal - va, sal - va te - met ip - sum, sal - va te - met ip - sum. Sal - va,  
*mp*

T

B *mp*  
Qui de - stru - it tem - plum\_\_ et in tri - du - o il - lud re - ae - di - fi - cat, sal - va te - met ip - sum. Sal - va,

Kybd.  
(reh.)

127

S Sax.

S

A

T

B

Kybd.  
(reh.)

Qui de - stru - it  
sal - va te - met ip - sum, sal - va te - met ip - sum. Sal - va,  
tem - plum et in tri - du - o il - lud re - ae - di - fi - cat, sal - va te - met ip - sum. Sal - va,  
sal - va te - met ip - sum, sal - va te - met ip - sum. Sal - va

134

S Sax.

S

A

T

B

Kybd.  
(reh.)

tem - plum et in tri - du - o il - lud re - ae - di - fi - cat, sal - va, sal - va, sal - va, sal - va te - met  
sal - va te - met ip - sum, sal - va te - met ip - sum, sal - va te - met ip - sum, sal - va te - met ip - sum. sal - va, sal - va, sal - va, sal - va te - met  
sal - va te - met sal - va te - met sal - va te - met sal - va te - met

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*accel. poco a poco*

Sax. 139 *mp* *accel. poco a poco* *f sub.*

S ip - sum. Si Fi - li - us De - i es, de -

A ip - sum. Si Fi - li - us De - i es, de -

T ip - sum. Si Fi - li - us De - i es, de -

B ip - sum. Si Fi - li - us De - i es, de -

Kybd. (reh.) *accel. poco a poco*

Sax. 143 *p*  $\text{♩} = \text{c. } 108$

S scen - de de cru - ce.  $\text{♩} = \text{c. } 108$

A scen - de de cru - ce. A - li - os, a - li - os,

T scen - de de cru - ce.

B seen - de de cru - ce.

Kybd. (reh.) *mp*  $\text{♩} = \text{c. } 108$

optional

148

S Sax. *p*

148 *mp*

S A Kybd. (reh.)

A - li - os sal - vos fe - cit, se ip - sum non po - test sal - vum  
a - li - os, a - li - os,

148

S Sax.

153

S A B Kybd. (reh.)

fa - ce - re.  
a - li - os,  
A - li - os sal - vos fe - cit, se ip - sum non po - test sal - vum fa - cer - re.

158

*mf*

S - A - li - os sal - vos fe - cit, a - li - os sal - vos fe - cit,

*mf*

S - A - li - os sal - vos fe - cit, a - li - os sal - vos fe -

A a - li - os, a - li - os, a - li - os sal - vos, a - li - os sal - vos,

*p*

T - ah

B - B -

*mf*

Kybd.  
(reh.) - A -

169

S a - li - os sal - vos fe - cit. Con - fi - det in De - o, con - fi - det in De - o, li - be - ret, —

A a - li - os sal - vos fe - cit. Con - fi - det in De - o, con - fi - det in De - o, li - be - ret, —

T a - li - os sal - vos fe - cit. Con - fi - det in De - o, con - fi - det in De - o, li - be - ret, —

B a - li - os sal - vos fe - cit. Con - fi - det in De - o, con - fi - det in De - o, li - be - ret, —

Kybd.  
(reh.)

*d. = c. 120*

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**Sax.**

176 *ff*  $\text{♩} = \text{c. } 56$  *subito*

S  
li - be - ret, li - be - ret nunc e - um.

A  
li - be - ret, li - be - ret nunc e - um.

T  
li - be - ret, li - be - ret nunc e - um. *ff* Ei - li, ei - li,

B  
li - be - ret, li - be - ret nunc e - um.

Kybd.  
(reh.)

176  $\text{♩} = \text{c. } 56$  *subito*

**Sax.**

183 *mp*  $\text{♩} = \text{c. } 60$

S  
*mf* Ei - li, *mp*  $\text{♩} = \text{c. } 69$  *piu mosso*

A  
Ei - li, *mp*  $\text{♩} = \text{c. } 69$  *piu mosso*

T  
la - ma sa - bach - tha - ni, *mp*  $\text{♩} = \text{c. } 69$  *piu mosso*

B  
This man

Kybd.  
(reh.)

183  $\text{♩} = \text{c. } 60$

$\text{♩} = \text{c. } 69$  *piu mosso*

190

Soprano (S) 3/4 time, key signature 1 sharp. Dynamics: *rall.*, *pp*, *p*. Key changes to 2 sharps at measure 198. Text: Now leave him a - lone. Let us see wheth-er E -

Alto (A) 3/4 time, key signature 1 sharp. Dynamics: *pp*, *p*. Text: ei - li?

Tenor (T) 3/4 time, key signature 1 sharp. Dynamics: *mp*, *pp*. Text: ei - li?

Bass (B) 3/4 time, key signature 1 sharp. Dynamics: *p*, *pp*. Text: calls for E - li - jah.

Kybd. (reh.) 3/4 time, key signature 1 sharp. Dynamics: *rall.*, *c. 56*, *c. 69*.

198

Soprano (S) 3/4 time, key signature 2 sharps. Dynamics: *p*. Text: Now leave him a - lone. Let us see wheth-er E - li - jah will come to save

Soprano (S) 3/4 time, key signature 2 sharps. Dynamics: *p*. Text: Now leave him a - lone. Let us see wheth-er E - li - jah will

Alto (A) 3/4 time, key signature 2 sharps. Dynamics: *p*. Text: li - jah will come to save him.

Kybd. (reh.) 3/4 time, key signature 2 sharps.

206

S him. Now leave him a - lone. Let us see wheth-er E - li - jah will come to save him.

S come to save him. Now leave him a - lone. Let us see wheth-er E - li - jah will come to save

A *p* Now leave him a - lone. Now leave him a - lone. Let us see wheth-er E - li - jah will

Kybd. (reh.)

206

S Sax. *rall.*

214 *pp*

S Now leave him a - lone. Let us see wheth-er E - li - jah will come to save him.

S him. Now leave him a - lone. Let us see wheth-er E - li - jah will come to save him.

A come to save him. Now leave him a - lone. Let us see wheth-er E - li - jah will come to save

Kybd. (reh.)

214 *rall.*

*poco stretto*

Soprano (S) vocal line with dynamic markings *pp*, *poco stretto*, *(pp)*, *him.*, and lyrics "Et te - ne - brae", "Et te - ne - brae", "Et te - ne - brae".

Alto (A) vocal line with dynamic marking *pp* and lyrics "Et te - ne - brae".

Tenor (T) vocal line with dynamic marking *pp* and lyrics "E - rat au - tem fe - re ho - ra sex - ta, et te - ne - brae".

Bass (B) vocal line with dynamic marking *pp* and lyrics "E - rat au - tem fe - re ho - ra sex - ta, et te - ne - brae".

Kybd. (reh.) keyboard reduction with dynamic marking *poco stretto*.

Measure 222: *d* = 44, *poco stretto*, *d* = c. 52, *(pp)*. Measures 223-224: *d* = 44, *poco stretto*, *d* = c. 52.

*poco stretto*

Soprano (S) vocal line with lyrics "fac - tae sunt," and "et ob - scu -".

Alto (A) vocal line with lyrics "fac - tae sunt in u - ni - ver - sa ter - ra us - que in no - nam, et ob - scu -".

Tenor (T) vocal line with lyrics "fac - tae sunt in u - ni - ver - sa ter - ra us - que in no - nam ho - ram,".

Bass (B) vocal line with lyrics "fac - tae sunt in u - ni - ver - sa ter - ra us - que in no - nam ho - ram,".

Kybd. (reh.) keyboard reduction with dynamic marking *poco stretto*.

Measure 228: *d* = 44, *poco stretto*.



239

S Sax.

S

A

T

B

Kybd.  
(reh.)

*d = c. 66  
poco più mosso*

*f*

*d = c. 66  
poco più mosso*

*f*

*ff*

est me - di - um. mm

*ff*

est me - di - um. mm

*ff*

est me - di - um. Fa - ther, —

*ff*

est me - di - um. mm

*d = c. 66  
poco più mosso*

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246

S Sax.

S

A

T

B

Kybd.  
(reh.)

poco stretto      *a tempo*  
*ten.*

poco stretto      *a tempo*  
**p**

**p**

*ten.*      *mp*

I com - mend my spir - it.

**p**

poco stretto      *a tempo*

*d = c. 56 meno mosso*

S

A

Kybd.  
(reh.)

**pp**

*ah*

**p**      *cresc. poco a poco*

*ah*

**p**      *cresc. poco a poco*

*ah*

*3*

*d = c. 56 meno mosso*

*3*

262

S A T Kybd. (reh.)

*ah ah ah ah ah ah*

*mp mp mp mp mp mp*

*ah ah ah ah ah ah*

*262*

*3 3*

*ah ah ah ah ah ah*

*mp pp p p p p*

*c. 69*

*Sure - - -*

*mp pp p p p p*

*Sure - - -*

*mp pp p p p p*

*Sure - - -*

*mf p p p p p p*

*Con - sum - ma - tum est. Sure - - -*

*mf p p p p p p*

*c. 69*

*Kybd. (reh.)*

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278

Soprano (S) - ly, — sure - ly this was a righ - teous

Alto (A) - — sure - ly this was a righ - teous man, righ - teous

Tenor (T) - ly, — sure - ly this was a righ - teous righ - teous

Bass (B) - ly, — sure - ly this was a righ - teous righ - teous

Kybd. (reh.) -

285

Soprano (S) - man, — righ - teous man, righ - teous man. —

Alto (A) - man, — righ - teous man, righ - teous man. —

Tenor (T) - man, — righ - teous man, righ - teous man. —

Bass (B) - man, — righ - teous man, righ - teous man. —

Kybd. (reh.) -