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CANTOR NOTATION

BLACK SYLLABLES ARE SPOKEN TONES

RED SYLLABLES ARE INTONED TONES

THEY ARE DETERMINED BY THE SOUND OF THEIR RESPECTIVE VOWELS.

OVER SOME RED SYLLABLES THERE WILL APPEAR BLACK CANTILLATION MARKS WHICH REPRESENT VOCAL CONTOURS OF INDETERMINATE PITCH, LENGTH, AND BREADTH

THERE IS NO TEMPO; RHYTHMIC RATE IS DETERMINED BY THE WORD

WHERE THERE IS NO WORD, THE LENGTH OF SHORT AND LONG IS TO BE DECIDED BY THE PERFORMER

WHERE THERE IS A BREAK, THE PAUSE SHOULD BE INDETERMINATE



PLAINCHANT NOTATION

WHEN THERE IS A FOUR LINE STAFF, THE SQUARE NEUME IS THE BASE VALUE, IN REFERENCE TO SOLESMES NOTATION; ITS PITCH IS DETERMINED BY WHERE THE C CLEF IS PLACED ON THE FOUR LINE STAFF.

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VOICE NOTATION

POLYPHONIC VOICES ARE PLACED ON THE FIVE LINE STAFF IN DIAMOND NEUME NOTATION

THESE ARE AT A 2:1 RATIO: 1 BEAT TO BLACK, 2 BEATS TO WHITE



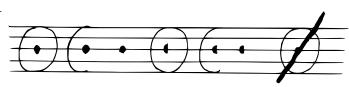
A rest is equivalent to short

THESE NOTES ARE MODIFIED BY MENSURATION SIGNS, A DOT FOR BLACK, A CIRCLE FOR WHITE

No sign is normal length Half is double length Full is triple length Crossed out voids the current sign

Rests ignore mensuration

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blooming, with me I bear a cloak of bitter leaves with a pungent smell I burn, to a spiral I flee



