

SPACE & EXPLORATION

Musical instrument to look out for...



TIMPANI

(TIM-PUH-NEE)

The concert will open with a piece called *Also Sprach Zarathustra* by Strauss, and this has a really famous timpani solo. Make sure you look out for the timpanist (person playing the timpani) in the concert!



Every timpani has a pedal, this is how they control the pitch from High to Low

The timpani is usually made of a copper bowl

It is common to have 3 or 4 timpani, all tuned to different pitches

If you hit it in the centre of the drum, you get a deeper sound, if you hit it near the rim, you get a higher sound

The timpani part in the beginning of Strauss *Also Sprach Zarathustra* is one of the most famous timpani parts