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Ruth I. DeFord offers new interpretations of the writings of Renaissance music theorists on the notation and performance of rhythm. Illustrated with more than 200 music examples, this book provides new analytical insights and performance recommendations for some of the best-known musical repertoires of the period.

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