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DEDICATION

This thesis is dedicated to my parents

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and

Mr. Robert Spavelko, Sr.,

for their many blessings in my life,

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INSTRUMENTATION

Flute 1
Flute 2 (doubling Piccolo)
Oboe 1
Oboe 2 (doubling English Horn)
B \flat Clarinet 1
B \flat Clarinet 2 (doubling B \flat Bass Clarinet)
Bassoon 1
Bassoon 2

F Horn 1
F Horn 2
C Trumpet 1
C Trumpet 2
Trombone 1
Trombone 2
Tuba

Timpani

Solo Soprano

Percussion 1: Vibraphone (*shared*), Chimes, Glockenspiel (*shared*), Mark Tree, Sleigh Bells, Triangle

Percussion 2: Vibraphone (*shared*), Glockenspiel (*shared*), Suspended Cymbal, Suspended Finger Cymbal, Triangle, Mark Tree

Percussion 3: Temple Blocks, Triangle, Suspended Cymbal, Tam-tam

Violin 1 — 6
Violin 2 — 5
Viola — 4
Cello — 3
Bass — 2

PROGRAM NOTE

Baby Book sets three poems from Chloe Yelena Miller's collection of the same name. It will later be expanded into a six-movement work. The cycle explores miscarriage, pregnancy, and young motherhood.

Great Aunt Dora is a real person; she is the poet's own great aunt, a dearly beloved family matriarch. This poem is a conversation between the mother and the growing child inside her. Great Aunt Dora passed away before she could meet the child. Thus, the conversation is bittersweet, but full of fondness and reminiscence. It is a beautiful vignette that unites these generations. "Great Aunt Dora" has the appeal of a familiar lullaby, with enough interest in the rhythm, harmony, and orchestral color to lend a novel sound.

"Objects" is at its heart a lament. A mother grieves her child and struggles with having no tangible means of recognizing her loss as with other deaths, which further isolates her. Several musical devices unify this movement. The chords of C minor and A^b Major 7 are used frequently and create a sense of harmonic ambiguity. A variation of the latter, A^b-D-E^b-G, creates an even more striking, dissonant chord which colors the most dramatic, painful moments of the work. A prominent motive, here and throughout the cycle, is heard on the text "There's nothing to wear, carry..." and is recalled both in powerful and quiet moments, a reminder of this profound loss.

"Children's Pool Game" emerges directly from "Objects." The title implies lighthearted amusement. Indeed, after the opening quote from "Objects," the musical material transforms into something more playful, yet somehow disquieting. The true intention of this movement reveals itself only at its end, and it resonates in a much deeper place in our hearts.

The composer hopes this cycle will foster dialogue about miscarriage as part of the healing process and will recognize and celebrate women through these shared experiences.

POETRY

by Chloe Yelena Miller

Great Aunt Dora To You (Before You) *Week 30*

She'd been waiting for you.
She'd sit in the blue chair, under the window,
elbows out as if cradling you.
Swing her arms back and forth.
Talk about how she'd hold you,
teach you to walk between our knees.
Ask me when you'll come; urged,
"hurry up!"

I promise to tell you all about her.
How she prepared meatballs,
two spoons to turn them.
How she knew you'd be smart,
handsome and
ever so kind.

Oh, how she loved beginnings.

"Great Aunt Dora To You (Before You)" is unpublished at the time of this printing.

Objects

To mourn a woman,
carry her picture, wear her lapel pin.
There's nothing to wear, carry
after a miscarriage.

In Japan, mothers mourn
lost "water children."
Gardens of small statues
in red knitted hats, bibs.
Hands in my pockets,
I stand at the edge of the Tidal Basin,
wilted cherry blossoms above and below.

"Objects" was originally published by *Literary Mama*.

Children's Pool Game

Even with closed eyes, we can find each other again.

I'll shout Marco!

You'll shout Polo!

Ok?

Marco!

—

"Children's Pool Game" was originally published by *Graze*.

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Baby, Book

for soprano and orchestra

Lauren Spavelko

Transposed Score

Baby Book

I. Great Aunt Dora

Chloe Yelena Miller

Lauren Spavelko

Andante ♩ = 54

♩ = ♩ sempre

2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14

sotto voce

mp *p* *mp*

Piccolo *sotto voce* *p* *mp*

mp B♭ Bass Clarinet

Flute 1

Flute 2 Piccolo

Oboe 1

Oboe 2 English Horn

B♭ Clarinet 1

B♭ Clarinet 2 B♭ Bass Clarinet

Bassoon 1

Bassoon 2

F Horn 1

F Horn 2

C Trumpet 1

C Trumpet 2

Trombone 1

Trombone 2

Tuba

Timpani

Percussion 1

Percussion 2

Percussion 3

mf

She'd been wait-ing for you, Great Aunt Do-ra to you

Andante ♩ = 54

♩ = ♩ sempre

2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14

mp *p* *mp* *p* *mf* *mp*

mp *p* *mp* *p* *mp* *p* *mf* *mp* *pizz.*

mp *pizz.* *mp* *mf* *mp*

mp *mp* *mf* *mp*

mp *mp* *mf* *mp*

Violin I

Violin II

Viola

Violoncello

Double Bass

15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30

Fl. 1 (Picc.) *p* *mp* *p* *mp* Flute

Fl. 2 *p*

Ob. 1

Ob. 2 *mf* *mp*

B♭ Cl. 1 (B♭ Bs. Cl.) *mf*

B♭ Cl. 2 *mf* *mp* *mf* *mp*

Bsn. 1 *mf* *mp* *mf* bring out

Bsn. 2

Hn. 1 *mp* *mf* *mp*

Hn. 2

C Tpt. 1

C Tpt. 2

Tbn. 1

Tbn. 2

Tba.

Timp.

Perc. 1 Vibraphone, med. rubber mallets *mp*

Perc. 2

Perc. 3 Temple Blocks, med. rubber mallets *p*

S. Solo (be - fore you).... *mf* She'd sit in the blue chair.... un-der the win - dow,

15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30

Vln. I *f* *mf* *f* *mp* pizz.

Vln. II *f* *mf* *f* *mp* pizz.

Vla. *mp* *mf* *mp* *mf* *mp*

Vc. *mp* *mf* *mp*

Db. *mp* *mf* *mp*

rall. solo a tempo

31 32 33 34 35 36 37 38 39 40 41 42 43 44 45 46

Fl. 1 *mf* *mp* *mf* *mp* *p*

Fl. 2 *mf* *mp*

Ob. 1

Ob. 2

B♭ Cl. 1

B♭ Cl. 2 *mp* *p*

Bsn. 1 *p*

Bsn. 2 *mp* *p*

Hn. 1

Hn. 2

C Tpt. 1

C Tpt. 2

Tbn. 1

Tbn. 2

Tba.

Timp.

Perc. 1 Sleigh Bells *mp*

Perc. 2 Sus. Finger Cymbal beater *mf*

Perc. 3

S. Solo *f* *mf* *mp*

el-bows out as if cra-dl-ing you. Swing her arms back and forth.

rall. a tempo

31 32 33 34 35 36 37 38 39 40 41 42 43 44 45 46

Vln. I *mp* *p*

Vln. II *mp* *p* *mp* *p* *mp* *p* *mp* *p*

Vla. *mp* *p* *mp* *p* *mp* *p* *mp* *p*

Vc. *mp*

Db. *mp*

poco accel.

47 48 49 50 51 52 53 54 55 56 57 58 59 60 61 62

Fl. 1 *mp*

Fl. 2 *mp*

Ob. 1 *mp* *mf*

Ob. 2 *mf*

B♭ Cl. 1 *mp* *mf*

B♭ Cl. 2 (B♭ Bs. Cl.) *p* *mp* *p* *mp* *mf* *mp* *mf* *mp*

Bsn. 1 *p* *mp* *p* *mp* *p*

Bsn. 2

Hn. 1

Hn. 2

C Tpt. 1

C Tpt. 2

Tbn. 1

Tbn. 2

Tba.

Timp.

Perc. 1 (Sleigh bells) *mp*

Perc. 2 Sus. Cym. scrape *mp* Sus. Fing. Cym. *mf*

Perc. 3 (Tpl. Bl.) *mp* *mf*

S. Solo *mf* *f*

Talk a - bout how she'd hold you, teach you to walk be-tween our knees. Ask me when you'll come, urged, "hur - ry

poco accel.

47 48 arco 49 50 51 52 53 54 55 56 57 58 59 60 61 62

Vln. I *mp* *mf* *mp* *f* *mp*

Vln. II *mp* *p* *mp* *mp* *mf* *mp* *f* *mp*

Vla. *mp* *p* *mp* *p* *mp* *p* *mf* *mp* *f* *mp*

Vc. *mf* *mp*

Db. *mf sub.* *mp* *mp*

$\text{♩} = 58$ a little faster

poco rit.

63 64 65 66 67 68 69 70 71 72 73 74

Fl. 1 *mp* *mf* *f*

Fl. 2 *mp* *mf* *mp* *mf* *f*

Ob. 1 *mf* *f*

Ob. 2 *mf* *mp* *mf* *f*

B♭ Cl. 1 *mp* *mf*

B♭ Cl. 2 *mf*

Bsn. 1

Bsn. 2

Hn. 1

Hn. 2

C Tpt. 1

C Tpt. 2

Tbn. 1

Tbn. 2

Tba.

Timp.

Perc. 1 Med. Triangle, beater *mf*

Perc. 2 Sus. Cymbal (warm), med. yarn mallets *p* *mp* *p* *mf*

Perc. 3 *mf*

S. Solo up!"

$\text{♩} = 58$ a little faster

poco rit.

63 64 65 66 67 68 69 70 71 72 73 74

Vln. I *f* *mp* *mf* *f*

Vln. II *f* *mp* *mf* *f*

Vla. *mf* *mp* *mf* *mp* *mf*

Vc. arco *mf* *mp* *mf*

Db. arco *mf* *mp* *mf*

$\text{♩} = 50$

75 76 77 78 79 80 81 82 83 84 85 86 87

Fl. 1 (Picc.) *p*

Fl. 2 *p*

Ob. 1 *p* *mf* bring out

Ob. 2 *p*

B♭ Cl. 1

B♭ Cl. 2 (B♭ Bs. Cl.) *p* *mp* *pp*

Bsn. 1 *p* *mp* *p* *mp*

Bsn. 2 *p* *mp* *p*

Hn. 1

Hn. 2

C Tpt. 1

C Tpt. 2

Tbn. 1

Tbn. 2

Tba.

Timp.

Perc. 1 Chimes, rawhide mallet *pp*

Perc. 2 Sus. Cym. *mf* scrape with beater *mf* scrape

Perc. 3

S. Solo *mp* *mf*

I pro-mise to tell you all a - bout her. Great Aunt

$\text{♩} = 50$

75 76 77 78 79 80 81 82 83 84 85 86 87

Vln. I *p*

Vln. II *p*

Vla. *p* *mp*

Vc. *mp* *p* *mp* *p*

Db. *mp* *p* *mp* *p*

poco accel.

♩. = 58

88 89 90 91 92 93 94 95 96 97 98 99 100 101

Fl. 1 *mf* *mp* *mf* *mp* *mf* *mp* *mf* *mp* *mf*

Fl. 2 *mp* *mf* *mp* *mf* *mp* *mf* *mp* *mf* *mp* *f*

Ob. 1 *p* *mp* *mf* *mp* *mf* *mp* *mf* *mp* *mf* *f*

Ob. 2 *mp* *mf* *mp* *mf* *mp* *mf* *mp* *mf* *mp* *mf*

B♭ Cl. 1 *mf* *mp* *mf* *mp* *mf* *mp* *mf* *mp* *mf* *mp*

B♭ Cl. 2 *mp* *mf* *mp* *mf* *mp* *mf* *mp* *mf* *mp* *mf*

Bsn. 1 *mf* *mp* *mf* *mp* *mf* *mp* *mf* *mp* *mf* *mp*

Bsn. 2 *p* *mf* *mp* *mf* *mp* *mf* *mp* *mf* *mp* *mf*

Hn. 1 *mf* *mp*

Hn. 2 *mf*

C Tpt. 1

C Tpt. 2

Tbn. 1

Tbn. 2

Tba.

Timp.

Perc. 1 *p* *mp* *mf*

Perc. 2 *p* *mp* *p* *mf*

Perc. 3 *mf* *mf*

Mark Tree 1.v. Sleigh Bells (Tpl. Bl.)

S. Solo *f*

Do - ra to you (be - fore you)

poco accel.

♩. = 58

88 89 90 91 92 93 94 95 96 97 98 99 100 101

Vln. I *p* *mf* *mp* *mf* *mp*

Vln. II *p* *mf* *p* *mp* *mf* *mp* *mf* *mp* *mf*

Vla. *p* *mp* *p* *mf* *mp* *mf*

Vc. *p* *mp* *mf* *mp* *mf* *mp* *mf* *mp* *mf*

Db. *p* *mp* *mf* *mp* *mf* *mp* *mf* *mp* *mf*

102 103 104 105 106 107 108 109 110 111 112 113 114

Fl. 1 (Picc.) *mp* *mf* *mp* *mf* *f* *mf*

Fl. 2 *mp* *mf* *mp* *mf* *f* *mf*

Ob. 1 *mp* *mf* *f* *mp* *mf* *f*

Ob. 2 *mp* *mf* *mp* *mf* *f*

B♭ Cl. 1 (B♭ Bs. Cl.) *mp* *f* *mf* *mf* *f*

B♭ Cl. 2 *mp* *mf* *f* *mf*

Bsn. 1 *mp* *mf* *mf*

Bsn. 2 *mp* *mf* *mp* *mf*

Hn. 1 *p* *mp* *mf* *mp* *mp* *mf*

Hn. 2 *mp*

C Tpt. 1 *mf* *f* *mf*

C Tpt. 2 *mf* *f* *mf*

Tbn. 1 *mp* *mf* *mp* *mf* *mp* *mf* *mp*

Tbn. 2 *mp* *mf* *mf* *mp*

Tba. *mf* *mf* *mp*

Timp. *mf* *mp*

Perc. 1 Med. Triangle, norm. beater *mf* *mp*

Perc. 2 (Sus. Cym.) sticks *p* *mp* *mf* *mp* *f*

Perc. 3 (Tpl. Bl.) *mf* *f*

S. Solo

102 103 104 105 106 107 108 109 110 111 112 113 114

Vln. I *mf* *f* *mf* *mp* *f* *f* *mf*

Vln. II *mp* *f* *mf* *mp* *f* *f* *mf*

Vla. *mp* *mf* *mf* *f* *mf*

Vc. *mp* *mf* *f* *mf*

Db. *mp* *mf* *mp* *f* *mf*

poco accel.

a tempo

rall.

115 116 117 118 119 120 121 122 123 124 125 126 127 128 129

Fl. 1 *bring out* *mp*

Fl. 2

Ob. 1 *bring out* *mp*

Ob. 2

B♭ Cl. 1

B♭ Cl. 2 *mp*

Bsn. 1 *p* *mp*

Bsn. 2 *mp* *p*

Hn. 1 *mf* *f* *p* *mp*

Hn. 2 *mf* *f* *p* *mp*

C Tpt. 1 *mf* *f* *p*

C Tpt. 2 *mf* *f* *p*

Tbn. 1 *mf* *f* *p*

Tbn. 2 *f* *p*

Tba. *f* *p*

Timp.

Perc. 1 Chimes *mp* *mf* *mp* *p*

Perc. 2 Sus. Fing. Cym., beater *mf*

Perc. 3

S. Solo *mp* *mf*

I pro-mise to tell you all a - bout her,

poco accel.

a tempo

rall.

115 116 117 118 119 120 121 122 123 124 125 126 127 128 129

Vln. I *mp* *p* *mp* *mf* *mp*

Vln. II *mp* *p*

Vla. *mp*

Vc. *mp* *mf* *f* *mp*

Db. *mp* *f* *mp*

poco accel.

$\text{♩} = 58$ **poco rit.**

$\text{♩} = 52$ **slightly relaxed**

130 131 132 133 134 135 136 137 138 139 140 141 142 143

Fl. 1 *mp* *mf* *mp* (Picc.)

Fl. 2 *mp*

Ob. 1 *pp* *mp*

Ob. 2 *p*

B♭ Cl. 1 (B♭ Bs. Cl.) *p* *mp* *p*

B♭ Cl. 2 *p* *pp* *mf* *p* *mp* *p*

Bsn. 1

Bsn. 2

Hn. 1

Hn. 2

C Tpt. 1

C Tpt. 2

Tbn. 1

Tbn. 2

Tba.

Timp.

Perc. 1 (Chimes)

Perc. 2 Sus. Cym. med. yarn *p* *mf* l.v.

Perc. 3

S. Solo *mp* *mf*
Great Aunt Do - ra, to you (be - fore you).

poco accel.

$\text{♩} = 58$ **poco rit.**

$\text{♩} = 52$ **slightly relaxed**

130 131 132 133 134 135 136 137 138 139 140 141 142 143

Vln. I *p* *mp* *mf* *mp* *p* *mp*

Vln. II *p* *mp* *mf* *mp*

Vla. *p* *mp*

Vc. *p* *mp* *mf* *mp* *mf* *pizz.* *mp* *pizz.*

Db. *p* *mp*

poco rit. a tempo

155 156 157 158 159 160 161 162 163 164 165 166 167 168 169

Fl. 1 *mp* *p* *mp espress.* *mf*

Fl. 2 *mp* *p*

Ob. 1

Ob. 2

B♭ Cl. 1 *p*

B♭ Cl. 2 (B♭ Bs. Cl.) *p* *mp* *p* *mp* *p*

Bsn. 1

Bsn. 2

Hn. 1

Hn. 2

C Tpt. 1

C Tpt. 2

Tbn. 1

Tbn. 2

Tba.

Timp.

Perc. 1 *p* *mp* Sleigh Bells

Perc. 2

Perc. 3

S. Solo *mp*
 How she knew you'd be smart, hand - some, and e - ver so kind.

poco rit. a tempo

155 156 157 158 159 160 161 162 163 164 165 166 167 168 169

Vln. I *p* unis. arco

Vln. II *p* unis. arco

Vla. *p* arco

Vc. *p*

Db. *p*

poco rit. **172 a tempo** ♩. = ♩ = 50 **poco rit.**

170 171 (end duet) 173 174 175 176 177 178

Fl. 1 *mp* *mf* *mp*

Fl. 2

Ob. 1

Ob. 2

B♭ Cl. 1

B♭ Cl. 2 (B♭ Bs. Cl.) *mp* (end duet) *mf* *mp* *f* *mf*

Bsn. 1 *mp* *mf* *mf*

Bsn. 2 *mf*

Hn. 1

Hn. 2

C Tpt. 1

C Tpt. 2

Tbn. 1

Tbn. 2

Tba.

Timp.

Perc. 1 *p*

Perc. 2

Perc. 3

S. Solo *mf* *f* *mf*

Oh, how she loved be - gin - nings.

poco rit. **a tempo** ♩. = ♩ = 50 **poco rit.**

170 171 **172** 173 174 175 176 177 178

Vln. I *p* *mf*

Vln. II *p* *mp* arco *p* *mf*

Vla. *mp* arco *p* *mf* *mf*

Vc. *mp* arco

Db. *mp*

a tempo

accel.

179 *quasi solo* *mf* 180 *sotto voce* *p* 181 *mp* 182 *p* 183 *p* 184 185 *mp* 186

Fl. 1 *quasi solo* *mf* *sotto voce* *p* *mp* *p* *mp*

Fl. 2 *sotto voce* *p* *p*

Ob. 1

Ob. 2

B♭ Cl. 1 *p*

B♭ Cl. 2 (B♭ Bs. Cl.) *p*

Bsn. 1 *p*

Bsn. 2

Hn. 1

Hn. 2

C Tpt. 1

C Tpt. 2

Tbn. 1

Tbn. 2

Tba.

Timp.

Perc. 1 *Vibraphone (med. rubber mallets)*
motor on - slow *p*

Perc. 2 *Sus. Fing. Cym., beater* *p*

Perc. 3

S. Solo *p* *mp*
Oh, how she loved...

a tempo

accel.

179 *div.* *mp* 180 *sotto voce* *p* 181 *sotto voce* *p* 182 183 184 185 186

Vln. I *div.* *mp* *sotto voce* *p* *mp* *p* *arco* *mp*

Vln. II *mp* *pp* *sotto voce* *p* *mp* *p* *arco* *mp*

Vla. *mp* *pp* *mp* *arco* *mp*

Vc. *mp* *pp* *arco* *mp*

Db. *mp* *pp* *arco* *p*

♩ = 62

187 188 189 190 191 192 193

Fl. 1 *p*

Fl. 2

Ob. 1 *mf*

Ob. 2 *mf*

B♭ Cl. 1

B♭ Cl. 2

Bsn. 1

Bsn. 2

Hn. 1

Hn. 2

C Tpt. 1

C Tpt. 2

Tbn. 1

Tbn. 2

Tba.

Timp.

Perc. 1 Mark Tree l.v. *mp*

Perc. 2

Perc. 3

S. Solo *mp* *cresc.* *f* *mf*
 Oh, _____ how _____ she

♩ = 62

187 188 189 190 191 192 193

Vln. I *mp* *cresc. poco a poco* *f* *mf*

Vln. II *mp* *cresc. poco a poco* *f* *mf* *mp*

Vla. *cresc. poco a poco* *f*

Vc. *cresc. poco a poco* *f*

Db. *cresc. poco a poco* *mf* *mp*

rall. a tempo

194 195 196 197 198 199 200 201 202 203

Fl. 1 *mp* *mf* *mp* *p*

Fl. 2 *mp* *mf* *mp* *p*

Ob. 1 *mp* *mf* *mp* *p*

Ob. 2 *mf* *mp* *mf* *mp* *pp*

B \flat Cl. 1 *mf* *mp* *mf* *mp* *pp*

B \flat Cl. 2 (B \flat Bs. Cl.) *mf* *mp* *pp*

Bsn. 1 *mf* *mp*

Bsn. 2

Hn. 1

Hn. 2

C Tpt. 1

C Tpt. 2

Tbn. 1

Tbn. 2

Tba.

Timp.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Perc. 3

S. Solo *mp*
loved.....

rall. a tempo

194 195 196 197 198 199 200 201 202 203

Vln. I *mp* *p* *pp*

Vln. II *p* *pp*

Vla.

Vc. *mp* *p* sul tasto *p* *pp*

Db. sul tasto *p* *pp*

II. Objects

♩ = 40 Largo rubato

10

Fl. 1
Fl. 2
Ob. 1
Ob. 2
B♭ Cl. 1
B♭ Cl. 2
Bsn. 1
Bsn. 2
Hn. 1
Hn. 2
C Tpt. 1
C Tpt. 2
Tbn. 1
Tbn. 2
Tba.
Timp.
Perc. 1
Perc. 2
Perc. 3
S. Solo

Flute
Eng. Hn. solo
B♭ Bs. Cl.
Vibraphone - Share inst. with Perc. 2. (who will pedal arco (Don't rebow long notes - l.v. as needed.)
Vibraphone (motor on, slow) - Share inst. with Perc. 1. arco (Don't rebow long notes - l.v. as needed.)

♩ = 40 Largo rubato

10

Vln. I
Vln. II
Vla.
Vc.
Db.

con sord.
free bowing
con sord.
con sord.

a tempo accel.

♩ = 60

rall.

a tempo

♩ = ♩ poco accel.

11 12 solo 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21

Fl. 1 *mp* *p* *mf* *p* *mp*

Fl. 2 *mp* Piccolo

Ob. 1 *mp*

Ob. 2 (Eng. Hn.) *mp* *mf* *f* *mp* *mp* *mf* *mp* *mp*

B♭ Cl. 1 *mp*

B♭ Cl. 2 (B♭ Bs. Cl.) *p* *mf sub.* *p sub.*

Bsn. 1

Bsn. 2

Hn. 1

Hn. 2

C Tpt. 1

C Tpt. 2

Tbn. 1

Tbn. 2

Tba.

Timp.

Perc. 1 (Vib.) *p*

Perc. 2 (Vib.) *p*

Perc. 3

S. Solo

a tempo accel.

♩ = 60

rall.

a tempo

♩ = ♩ poco accel.

11 12 13 unis. tutti 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21

Vln. I *pp* *p* *pp* *mf sub.* *p sub.*

Vln. II *p* *pp* *p* *mf sub.* *div.*

Vla. *p* *pp* *mf sub.* *p sub.*

Vc. *p* *pp* *mf sub.* *p sub.*

Db. *pp* *p*

♩ = 72 ♩ = 62 poco accel.

45 46 47 48 49 50 51 52

Fl. 1 *mp* ————— *mf*

Fl. 2 *mf* ³

Ob. 1 *p* ³ ————— *mf* (Eng. Hn.)

Ob. 2 *mp* ————— *mf*

B♭ Cl. 1 *pp* ————— *mf* ³

B♭ Cl. 2 *pp* ————— *mf* ³

Bsn. 1 *pp* ————— *mp* ————— *mf*

Bsn. 2 *pp* ————— *mp* ————— *mf*

Hn. 1 *mp* ————— *mf* ³

Hn. 2 *mp* ————— *fp*

C Tpt. 1

C Tpt. 2

Tbn. 1 *p* ————— *mf* ³

Tbn. 2 *p* ————— *mf* ³

Tba. *fp*

Timp.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2 Sus. Cym., med. yarn mallets *mp* ————— *f*

Perc. 3

S. Solo *mf* ————— *mp* ³ ————— *mf* ————— *mf*

pic - ture, wear her la - pel pin. ————— There's _____

♩ = 72 ♩ = 62 poco accel.

45 46 47 48 49 50 51 52

Vln. I *pp* ³ ————— *mf sub.*

Vln. II *pp* ³ ————— *mf sub.* div.

Vla. *pp* ³ ————— *mf sub.* div.

Vc. *pp* ³ ————— *mf sub.* unis. *fp*

Db. *mf sub.* ————— *fp*

53 54 55 56 57 58 59 60 61 62 63 solo

Fl. 1 *f* *mf* *f* *mp*

Fl. 2 *mf* *f*

Ob. 1 *mp* (Eng. Hn.) *mf* *f*

Ob. 2 *f* *mf* *f*

B♭ Cl. 1 *mp* *mf* *f* *mf* *f*

B♭ Cl. 2 (B♭ Bs. Cl.) *f* *mf* *mp*

Bsn. 1 *mp* *f* *mf* *mp*

Bsn. 2 *mp* *f* *mf* *mp*

Hn. 1 *mf* *mp* *mf* *mp* *p* *pp*

Hn. 2 *mf* *mp* *mf* *mp*

C Tpt. 1

C Tpt. 2

Tbn. 1 *mp* *mp*

Tbn. 2 *mp* *f* *mp* *mp*

Tba. *mf* *mp* *f* *mp*

Timp. *mp* *pp*

Perc. 1

Perc. 2 (Sus. Cym.) *mp* *mf* *mp* *pp* *mp* *pp*
Vibraphone med. yarn mallets
Triangle, beater

Perc. 3 *p*

S. Solo *f* *mf a piacere*

noth - ing to wear, car - ry, af - ter a mis - car - riage.

53 54 55 56 57 58 59 60 61 62 63 div.

Vln. I *f* *mf* *mp* *p* *pp* *pp* *pp*
free bowing

Vln. II *mf* *mp* *mp* *mf* *mp* *p* *pp* *pp* *pp*
free bowing

Vla. *mf* *mp* *mf* *mp* *pp*

Vc. *mf* *f* *mp* *mf* *mp* *pp*

Db. *mf* *f* *mp* *mf* *mp* *pp*

♩ = 58

64 65 66 67 68 69 70

Fl. 1 *mf* *p* *mf* *p*

Fl. 2

Ob. 1

Ob. 2

B♭ Cl. 1

B♭ Cl. 2

Bsn. 1

Bsn. 2

Hn. 1

Hn. 2

C Tpt. 1

C Tpt. 2

Tbn. 1

Tbn. 2

Tba.

Timp.

(Vib.) As before. Perc. 2 pedals.

Perc. 1 *p* *mf*

Perc. 2 *p* *mf*

Perc. 3

S. Solo *mp*
In Ja -

♩ = 58

64 65 66 67 68 69 70

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

Db.

p

accel. ♩ = 72

71 72 73 74 75 76 77

Fl. 1 *mp* *mf*

Fl. 2 *mp* *mf*

Ob. 1 *mf*

Ob. 2

B♭ Cl. 1 *mp* *p* *mf*

B♭ Cl. 2 (B♭ Bs. Cl.) *mp* *p* *mf*

Bsn. 1 *mp* *p* *mf*

Bsn. 2 *mf*

Hn. 1 *mf*

Hn. 2 *fp*

C Tpt. 1

C Tpt. 2

Tbn. 1 *mp*

Tbn. 2 *mp*

Tba. *fp* *f*

Timp. *f*

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Perc. 3 Sus. Cym. med. yarn mallets *mp*

S. Solo *mf*
 pan, moth - ers mourn lost wa - ter chil - dren, lost

accel. ♩ = 72

71 72 73 74 75 76 77

Vln. I *mp* *mf*

Vln. II *mp* *mf*

Vla. *mp* *mf*

Vc. *pp* *fp*

Db. *pp* *fp*

♩ = 62

rall.

♩ = 72

78 79 80 81 82 83 84 85 86 87

Fl. 1 *mp* *p* *mp* *p* *mp* *p* *p* *mp* *p* *mp*

Fl. 2 *mp* *p* *mp* *p*

Ob. 1 *p*

Ob. 2 (Eng. Hn.) *mp* *p* *mp* *p* *mp* *p*

B♭ Cl. 1 *p* *mp* *p* *mp* *p* *mp*

B♭ Cl. 2 *mp* *p* *mp* *p*

Bsn. 1 *mp* *p*

Bsn. 2 *mp*

Hn. 1 *f* *mp*

Hn. 2 *f* *mp*

C Tpt. 1

C Tpt. 2

Tbn. 1 *mp*

Tbn. 2

Tba.

Timp.

Perc. 1 *mp* *mf*

Perc. 2 *f*

Perc. 3 *f*

Vibraphone arco

Mark Tree clap

release on 1

S. Solo *f* *mf* *mp*

wa - ter chil-dren. Gar-dens of small sta-tues, in red knit-ted hats, bibs.

♩ = 62

rall.

♩ = 72

78 79 80 81 82 83 84 85 86 87

Vln. I *f* *mf* *pizz.* *arco* *p* *div.* *free bowing* *p*

Vln. II *f* *mf* *pizz.* *arco* *div.* *unis.* *p*

Vla. *f* *mf* *mp* *mp* *p*

Vc. *f* *mf* *mp* *pizz.* *arco* *p*

Db. *f* *mp* *pizz.*

poco rit. ♩ = 62 freely

88 89 90 91 92 solo 93 94 95 96 97 98

Fl. 1

Fl. 2

Ob. 1

Ob. 2

B♭ Cl. 1

B♭ Cl. 2

Bsn. 1

Bsn. 2

Hn. 1

Hn. 2

C Tpt. 1

C Tpt. 2

Tbn. 1

Tbn. 2

Tba.

Timp.

Perc. 1 (Vib.)

Perc. 2

Perc. 3

S. Solo

Piccolo

(Eng. Hn.)

(B♭ Bs. Cl.)

mp *mf* *p* *pp* *p* *mp* *pp* *f* bring out

mf *mf* *p* *mp* bring out *mf*

mp *mf* *mp* *p*

mf *f*

Hands in my pock-ets, I stand

poco rit. ♩ = 62 freely

88 89 90 91 92 93 94 95 96 97 div. 98

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

Db.

unis.

mp *p* *p* *p* *p* *p* *p* *mf*

mp *p* *(p)*

mp *p*

arco *p* arco *p* arco *p*

♩ = 72 ♩ = 60

a little slower

99 100 101 102 103 104 105 106

Fl. 1 *mf* *pp*

Fl. 2 *mf*

Ob. 1 *p*

Ob. 2 *p* *mp* *p* *quasi solo*

B♭ Cl. 1 *f* *mp* *mf*

B♭ Cl. 2 *f*

Bsn. 1 *mf*

Bsn. 2 *mf*

Hn. 1 *mf* *p* *pp*

Hn. 2 *mf* *p* *pp*

C Tpt. 1

C Tpt. 2

Tbn. 1

Tbn. 2

Tba.

Timp.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2 *p*

Perc. 3

S. Solo *mp* *mf* *mp*

at the edge of the Ti - dal Ba - sin, wil - ted cher - - ry

♩ = 72 ♩ = 60

a little slower

99 100 101 102 103 104 105 106 div.

Vln. I *f* *mp* *mf* *p* *pp*

Vln. II *f* *mp* *p* *mf* *p* *pp*

Vla. *f* *mp* *p* *mf* *p* *pp*

Vc. *f* *mp* *p* *mf* *p* *pp*

Db. *f* *mp* *p* *mf* *p*

free bowing

107 108 109 110 111 112

Fl. 1 *pp* *p* *n.*

Fl. 2 *pp* *p* *n.*

Ob. 1 *pp* *mf* *p* *mp* *n.*

Ob. 2 (Eng. Hn.) *pp* *mf* *p* *mp* *n.*

B♭ Cl. 1 *p* *p* *mf sub.* *p* *mp* *n.*

B♭ Cl. 2 (B♭ Bs. Cl.) *mp* *p* *pp* *mf* *p* *mp* *n.*

Bsn. 1 *mf* *p* *mp* *n.*

Bsn. 2 *p* *mf sub.* *p* *mp* *n.*

Hn. 1 *mf* *p* *mp* *n.*

Hn. 2 *mf* *p* *mp* *n.*

C Tpt. 1 *mf* *pp* *p* *n.*

C Tpt. 2 *mf* *p*

Tbn. 1 *mf* *p*

Tbn. 2 *mf* *p* *mp* *n.*

Tba. *mp* *n.*

Timp.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2 (Mark tree)

Perc. 3

S. Solo *mf* *mp*
 blos - soms a - bove and be - low.

107 108 109 110 111 112

Vln. I *mf sub.* *p* *mp* *n.*

Vln. II *mf sub.* *p* *mp* *n.*

Vla. *mf sub.* *p* *mp* *n.*

Vc. *mp* *p* *pp* *mf sub.* *p* *mp* *n.*

Db. *pp* *mf sub.* *p* *mp* *n.*

III. Children's Pool Game

♩ = 72 Broadly

♩ = 144 To be felt in one

2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13

Flute 1
Flute 2 Piccolo
Oboe 1
Oboe 2 English Horn
B♭ Clarinet 1
B♭ Clarinet 2 B♭ Bass Clarinet
Bassoon 1
Bassoon 2
F Horn 1
F Horn 2
C Trumpet 1
C Trumpet 2
Trombone 1
Trombone 2
Tuba
Timpani
Percussion 1
Percussion 2
Percussion 3
Soprano Solo

soft mallet l.v.
Sus. Cym., med. yarn mallets
Vibraphone, med. yarn mallets
Tam-tam, heavy mallet

♩ = 72 Broadly

♩ = 144 To be felt in one

2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13

Violin I
Violin II
Viola
Violoncello
Double Bass

non div. pizz.
pizz.

14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28

Fl. 1 *f*

Fl. 2 *f* *mp*

Ob. 1 *mf* *f*

Ob. 2 *mf* *f*

B♭ Cl. 1 *f*

B♭ Cl. 2 (B♭ Bs. Cl.) *mf* *fp* *f*

Bsn. 1 *mf* *mf* *mf* *f* *mf* *p*

Bsn. 2 *mf* *mf* *f*

Hn. 1 *mf* *mf* *fp* *f* *mp*

Hn. 2 *mf* *mf* *fp* *f* *mf*

C Tpt. 1 *mf* *ff* *f* *mp* *p*

C Tpt. 2 *mf* *ff* *mf* *p*

Tbn. 1 *mf* *fp* *f* *mf*

Tbn. 2 *fp* *f* *mf*

Tba. *fp* *f* *mf* *p*

Timp. hard mallet *f* *mf* *mp* *p*

Perc. 1 Chimes, rawhide mallet
Lock pedal...leave down. Triangle, beater *mf* *f* *mf*

Perc. 2 Glockenspiel, brass mallets *f* *mf* *f* l.v.

Perc. 3 (Tam-tam) Sus. Cym., sticks near bell *mf* *f* *p*

S. Solo

14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28

Vln. I *mf* *p* *f* *mf* *mf* *f* *mf* *p* *mf* *p*

Vln. II *p* *mf* *mp* *f* *mf* *f* *mf* *p* *mf* *p*

Vla. arco unis. *fp* *mf* *fp* *mf* *f* *mf* *mf* *p*

Vc. *f* *mf* *p*

Div. *mf* *p*

Db. arco *fp* *mf* *fp* *mf* *f* *f* *pizz.* *f* *mf*

free bowing

free bowing unis.

free bowing

accel.

45 46 47 48 49 50 51 52 53 54 55 56 57

Fl. 1 *mf* *p* *mf* *f* *f*³

Fl. 2 *f*³ Flute

Ob. 1 *f*

Ob. 2 *p* *f*³ *mf*

B♭ Cl. 1 *mf* *p* *mf* *mf* *f*³ *f* *f* bring out

B♭ Cl. 2 (B♭ Bs. Cl.) *mp* *mf* *mp* *mf*

Bsn. 1 *mf*

Bsn. 2

Hn. 1 *mf*

Hn. 2 *mf*

C Tpt. 1

C Tpt. 2

Tbn. 1

Tbn. 2

Tba. *mf* *p*

Timp. *mp* *mf* *p* *mp*

Perc. 1 Chimes, rawhide mallet *mf* *mp*

Perc. 2 Vibraphone, med. rubber mallets motor on - slow *mp* *mp* *mf*

Perc. 3 Sus. Fing. Cym., beater *mf* *mp* *mf*

S. Solo

accel.

45 46 48 49 50 51 52 53 54 55 56 57

Vln. I *mp* *mf* *p* *mp*

Vln. II *mp* *p* *mf* *p* *mp*

Vla. *mf* *p* *pizz.* *arco* *mp* *unis.* *pizz.*

Vc. *mf* *mp* *pizz.* *mf* *p* *arco* *mf*

Db. *mp* *pizz.* *mf* *p* *mf sub.*

♩. = 62 In One

58 59 60 61 62 63 64 65 66 67 68 69 70 71

Fl. 1 *p* *mf* *f* *mf*³

Fl. 2

Ob. 1 *mp* *mf* *mp*

Ob. 2 *p*

B♭ Cl. 1 *mp* *p*

B♭ Cl. 2 *mf* *p*

Bsn. 1 *p* *p* *mp*²

Bsn. 2 *mp* *mf* *p*

Hn. 1

Hn. 2

C Tpt. 1

C Tpt. 2

Tbn. 1

Tbn. 2

Tba.

Timp. *mp* *p*

Perc. 1 Glockenspiel, brass mallets *mp*²

Perc. 2 *p* *mf*

Perc. 3

S. Solo *f* *mf* *mf* *f*

E - ven with closed eyes, with closed eyes, closed eyes...

♩. = 62 In One

58 59 60 61 62 63 64 65 66 67 div. 68 69 70 71 unis.

Vln. I *p* *mp* *pp* *p* *mp* *p* *p*

Vln. II *pizz.* *mf* *p sub.*

Vla. *pizz.* *mf* *p sub.*

Vc. *mp*

Db. *mp sub.*

72 73 74 75 76 77 78 79 80

Fl. 1

Piccolo

Fl. 2 *mf* *f* *mf* 3

Ob. 1 *f* *f*

Ob. 2 *cresc.* *f*

B♭ Cl. 1 *mf* *f*

B♭ Cl. 2 *cresc.* *f*

Bsn. 1

Bsn. 2

Hn. 1 *mp*

Hn. 2 *f* *mp*

C Tpt. 1 *mf* *fp* 3 *f* 3 *mp*

C Tpt. 2 *mf* *fp* 3 *f* 3 *mp*

Tbn. 1 *f* *p*

Tbn. 2 *f* *p* *mp*

Tba. *f* *p*

Timp.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2 *mp* *mf* 3 *f*

Perc. 3 *mp* *f*

S. Solo *f*
I'll shout, "Mar - co!"

72 73 74 75 76 77 78 79 80

Vln. I *mp* *mp* *arco* *f* *mp* 3

Vln. II *mp* *arco* *f* *mp* 3

Vla. *mp* *arco* *f* *mp*

Vc. *mp* *arco* *mp* *mf*

Db. *mp* *arco* *f* *mp* *mf*

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Selected Compositions & Performances

Baby Book for soprano and orchestra (2016) – 4:00

Reading of “Great Aunt Dora”: Natasha Lynn Foley & the University of Louisville Symphony
Orchestra (April 12, 2016)

Baby Book for soprano and piano (2016) – 11:00

Premiere: Natasha Lynn Foley & Lauren Spavelko, Graduate Recital at the University of Louisville
(March 29, 2016)

Summit for orchestra (2015) – 1:45

Reading: University of Louisville Symphony Orchestra (April 7, 2015)
Premiere: University of Louisville Symphony Orchestra (March 29, 2016)

Grit for String Quartet (2013) – 4:00

Premiere: University of Louisville Graduate String Quartet (November 19, 2014)
Performance: Talea Ensemble, University of Louisville (March 31, 2016)

Tar Hollow for solo violin (2015) – 2:00

Premiere: Flora Nevarez, University of Louisville Student Composers Recital (November 18, 2015)
Performance: Lauren Spavelko, University of Louisville Student Gala (February 18, 2016)

The Wild for solo violin & electronics (2015) – 5:00

Premiere: Lauren Spavelko, University of Louisville Computer Music Concert (February 19, 2015)

Three Robert Frost Songs (2014) – 12:00

I. Mowing

II. Fire and Ice

III. The Aim Was Song

Premiere of “Fire and Ice”: Ohio Wesleyan University (November 2010)

Premiere of complete work: Lydia Cox (director), University of Louisville (March 12, 2015)