

# Elodie LAUTEN

OrfReo  
Libretto by Michael Andre  
ORCHESTRAL SCORE

Orfeo/Orfreo: Countertenor

Lethe: Mezzo Soprano

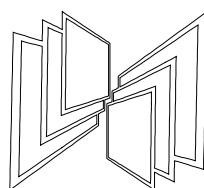
Crow/Persephone: Soprano

Cat/Lion: Bass-Baritone

Harpsichord, string quartet, contrabass, flute, oboe

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## **Orfreo**

an opera by Elodie Lauten

Libretto by Michael Andre

Instrumentation: countertenor, soprano, mezzo, bass-baritone, harpsichord, string quartet, contrabass, flute, oboe. Time: 30'

**Orfreo** was premiered on June 2, 2004 at Merkin Concert Hall. It was produced and commissioned by Harpsichord Unlimited, and performed by the Queen's Chamber Band featuring Elaine Comparone, harpsichord and Marshall Coid, countertenor, conducted by Robert Palmer. The live recording was released in December 2004 on the Studio 21 label.

### **Composer's Notes**

What's in a name... Orfreo is Orf-Ray-o, Orfeo reenacted by Ray...Ray Johnson, the conceptual artist who created mail art, disappeared in 1995. We know that he planned the date and time at which he would jump into the Peconic River, but the exact motives of his suicide remain a mystery. I have never known Ray personally, but I can relate to his despair. I found out about Ray and his art through his friends, Bobby Buecker and Michael Andre. Paradoxically, Ray's art is about attitude and humor: puns, absurdity and fun in daring. In the Soho art scene of the sixties and seventies, Ray Johnson was an important player who deserves to be remembered.

Orfreo relates Ray's experience to the classic myth of Orpheus and Dante's *Divine Comedy*. The river is the Lethe, the water that makes you forget, borderline between the dead and the living. The action takes place by the river at the moment he is about to cross over to the other side, to join his beloved Euridyce/Beatrice. It is in real time, in one short act. Orfreo interacts with characters from hell: Lethe the River, a Crow who is actually Persephone in disguise, and a Cat (or Lion). The mood of the piece is complex as there are two sets of subtext: the lyrical subtext of Orfeo, metaphor of the artist's despair and longing for his beloved, and the iconoclastic subtext of Ray's attitude and humorous approach to art. The Crow lightens the mood with off-the-cuff comments and quotes: "I'm not going to be a poet, that's for sure..."; as the lion declares: "Death is the only emperor" the crow replies: "The only emperor is the emperor of ice-cream" (quote from Wallace Stevens); the harpsichordist suddenly speaks: "lawyers lie but lyres – and lions – tell truth" (quote from Gregory Corso). In the exuberant finale, Orfreo is helped across the river by his new found friends and returns from hell with the two women – only one thing is certain, neither of them is Eurydice.

In the fall of 2002 Michael Andre sent me a two-page poem. He kept sending me countless, slight variations of these two pages, which inspired me to use the text freely. I broke it up into scenes, assigned the lines to the characters. I suggested the animal characters and Michael liked the idea. The two Orfreo arias are each built from three lines of the poem. I used both repetition and deconstruction in the vocal setting. The four singers: countertenor (Orfreo), mezzo (Lethe), soprano (Crow) and bass-baritone (Lion) act in turn as soloists and chorus. Contrasting dynamics are built into the piece to express a certain ambiguity of mood, neither light nor dark, but bitter and sweet: from very soft parts with harpsichord and cello to excited tuttis (harpsichord, string quartet, contrabass, oboe and flute). The musical style is post-classic, with neo-Baroque elements and fast moving chords over an implied fundamental.

## **OrfReo**

*[text set to music]*

### **I**

Crow: Pussy cat, pussy cat, where have you been  
Lion: Down in hell, according to its queen,  
Orfeo's next on the dying machine.  
Crow: I'm not going to be a poet, that's for sure.  
Ensemble: Speak sense or keep silence, or sing, Orfeo  
Lethe: She is dead but does she remember her life?  
Sing, Orfeo.

### **IIa**

Orfeo/Lethe: Does she remember her life?  
Lethe: I do remember...  
Orfeo: Answer or silence will drown your sense.  
Lethe: She still remembers but cannot hear you,  
Orfeo: Soon the spirit of Beatrice will fade,  
But her soul will then be  
Reborn.

### **IIb**

Ensemble: Her soul will then be reborn – or not.  
Lethe: She still remembers but cannot hear you,  
Orfreo. Soon the spirit of Beatrice will fade,  
But her soul will then be  
Reborn. Sing! Earthly muse...

### **III**

Orfeo: (aria)  
I must wade across and tell her  
All the things I forgot to say --  
How I saw her eyes and found I sang.

### **IV**

Lethe:  
You have not fulfilled your purpose  
And will merely drown.  
I want all men to sing to my rhythm.  
Ensemble: “Lawyers  
Lie but lyres and lions tell truth.” [quoted from Gregory Corso]

### **V**

Orfeo:  
What am I to do? The swimmer

Strokes the waves. What rhythm?  
Devoid of her, how praiseworthy  
Is the world? Her footsteps  
Echo in my head  
And I myself have lost the right to see.

## VI

Persephone:

*Diddle diddle rum dot*

*Def dubble dit dot.*

His flowing darkness coils like the snake that bit

Beatrice.

The eddies bubble and pop

And are forgot

Like unloved souls

Always. Orfeo, you forget

Sweet sad serene

And peaceful death,

You drank from Lethe before

You were born and died.

The crow remembers you.

## *Finale*

Ensemble:

Let Bea be finale of seem.

Death is the only emperor.

“The only emperor is the emperor of ice-cream.” [quoted from Wallace Stevens]

Ray Johnson committed suicide by drowning.

Some impish god pushes Beatrice into Lethe’s embrace.

They kiss, and she becomes Elodie, the composer.

Orfeo is surprised.

He will free them both from hell anyway.

The lion jumps over the moon,

The crow dons the cat’s cap and yowls.

Orfeo will free them both from hell.

# ORFREO

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# Overture

**Elodie Lauten**

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**E** = 90

Flute

Oboe

Violin I

Violin II

Viola

Cello

Contrabass

Harpsichord

p cantabile

mf cantabile

between marcato and legato

max brightness throughout

6

Fl

Ob

VII

VIII

Vla

Vc

Cb

## Overture

Fl II  
Ob II  
VII II  
VIII II pizz.  
Vla II pizz.  
Vc II pizz.  
Cb II

*mf*

*f*

*mf*

*mf*

*mf*

*mf*

simile

Fl 16  
Ob 16  
VII 16  
VIII 16  
Vla 16  
Vc 16  
Cb 16

*p* pizz.

*p* pizz.

*p* pizz.

marcato

pizz.

## Overture

3

21

Fl  
Ob  
VII  
VIII  
Vla  
Vc  
Cb

21

26

Fl  
Ob  
VII  
VIII  
Vla  
Vc  
Cb

26

pp subito  
pizz. pp subito  
pizz. pp subito  
pizz. pp subito

26

mf  
mf arco  
mf arco  
arco simile

26

arco

## Overture

31

Fl

Ob

VII

VIII

Vla

Vc

Cb

cresc

cresc

cresc

31

31

36

Fl

Ob

VII

VIII

Vla

Vc

Cb

f

f

f

f

36

36

## Overture

5

41

Fl Ob VII VIII Vla Vc Cb

pizz. pp mf arco  
arco

41

Fl Ob VII VIII Vla Vc Cb

pizz. pp mf arco  
arco

46

Fl Ob VII VIII Vla Vc Cb

pp f  
f

46

Fl Ob VII VIII Vla Vc Cb

pp f  
f

46

Fl Ob VII VIII Vla Vc Cb

pp f  
f

46

Fl Ob VII VIII Vla Vc Cb

pizz. arco

46

Fl Ob VII VIII Vla Vc Cb

## Overture

Musical score for orchestra, page 51, measures 51-52. The score includes parts for Flute (Fl), Oboe (Ob), VII, VIII, Violin (Vla), Cello (Vc), and Double Bass (Cb). The music features complex rhythmic patterns and harmonic changes, with measure 52 concluding with a series of sustained chords.

Flute (Fl) starts with a forte dynamic (f) at measure 56. Oboe (Ob) enters with a piano dynamic (p) at measure 56. Trombones VII and VIII (VII) play eighth-note patterns. Trombone Vla (Vla) and Trombone Vc (Vc) play eighth-note patterns. Trombone Cb (Cb) plays eighth-note patterns. The bassoon part includes dynamics pizz. (pizzicato), arco (bowing), marcato, and legato markings.

## Overture

7

61

Fl  
Ob  
VII  
VIII  
Vla  
Vc  
Cb

66

Fl  
Ob  
VII  
VIII  
Vla  
Vc  
Cb

## Overture

71

Fl

Ob

VII

VIII

Vla arco

Vc arco

Cb

{

76

Fl

Ob

VII

VIII

Vla cresc

Vc cresc

Cb

{

## Overture

9

Fl 81

Ob 81

VII 81

VIII 81

Vla decresc 81 pizz.

Vc decresc 81 pizz.

Cb 81

Fl 86

Ob 86

VII 86 legato

VIII 86 cresc

Vla 86 f arco

Vc 86 f arco

Cb 86 marcato

## Overture

Musical score for orchestra, page 10, measures 90-91. The score includes parts for Flute (Fl), Oboe (Ob), VII (7th Violin), VIII (8th Violin), Viola (Vla), Cello (Vc), Double Bass (Cb), and a bassoon part (Bassoon). Measure 90 starts with a dynamic of 90. The Flute and Oboe play eighth-note patterns. The VII and VIII parts play eighth-note patterns. The Viola and Cello play eighth-note patterns. The Double Bass plays eighth-note patterns. Measure 91 starts with a dynamic of 90. The Flute and Oboe play eighth-note patterns. The VII and VIII parts play eighth-note patterns. The Viola and Cello play eighth-note patterns. The Double Bass plays eighth-note patterns.

## I

**Music: Elodie Lauten**  
**Libretto: Michael Andre**

*d=84*  
*fluid texture*

Soprano  
Persephone/  
Crow  
Mezzo  
Lethe

Counter tenor  
Orfeo

Bass  
Cat

Cello

Contrabass

Harpsichord {  
*rubato*

S 7 Pus-sy cat, pus-sy cat, pus-sy cat, pus-sy cat      pus-sy cat, pus-sy cat, where have you been?

M

CT

B

Vc 7 Down in hell Ac -

Cb 7

{ 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 }

12

S  
M  
CT  
B  
Vc  
Cb

*Mournful*

Ah Ah

cor - ding to its queen Or - fe - o's next on the dy - ing ma - chine...

21

S  
M  
CT  
B  
Vc  
Cb

I'm not go - ing to be a po - et that's for

Ah Ah Ah

Tacet 4 bars

## Part I

13

25

S sure (laugh)

M

CT Ah Ah Ah

B Ray

Vc

Cb

33

S

M

CT Ah Ah

B E - o E - o Ray

Vc

Cb

## Part I

41

S Ray - - - fe - o Ray - - - fe - o Or - - -  
M Ray - - - fe - o Ray - - - fe - o Or - - -  
CT Ah Ah Ah Ah Ah Ah Ah  
B Ray - - - fe - o O Ray - - - fe - o O Or - - -  
41  
Vc  
41  
Cb

(Measure 42 continues from the end of measure 41, showing sustained notes for all parts.)

50

S fe - o Lethe clear as a bell Speak sense Or - - - fe - o  
M fe - o Speak sense O Or - - - fe - o  
CT Ah Ah Ah Ah Ah Ah Ah  
B fe - o O purred Speak sense or keep si - lence keep si - lence  
50  
Vc  
50  
Cb

(Measure 51 continues from the end of measure 50, showing sustained notes for all parts.)

## Part I

15

57

S  
M  
CT  
B  
Vc  
Cb

Or - - - fe - o      Speak sense      Speak sense      Or - - -  
Or - - - fe - o      Speak sense      Speak sense      Or - - -  
Be - - - a - trice  
Rrr(purring)      Speak sense      Speak sense      Speak sense or keep

64

S  
M  
CT  
B  
Vc  
Cb

fe - o      Speak sense      or      keep      si - lence      Or - - - fe - o  
fe - o      Speak sense      or      keep      si - lence      Or - - - fe - o  
Ah      Ah      Ah  
si - lence      Or - - - fe - o      Re - o Re - o Re - o Re - o

71

S Speak sense or keep - - - si - - - lence

M Speak sense or keep - - - si - - - lence

piano and very relaxed

CT Orfeo tacet

B Ray - fe - o      Or - - - fe - o      Ray - - - fe - o

Vc

Cb



79

S or sing      Or - fe - o  
glissando

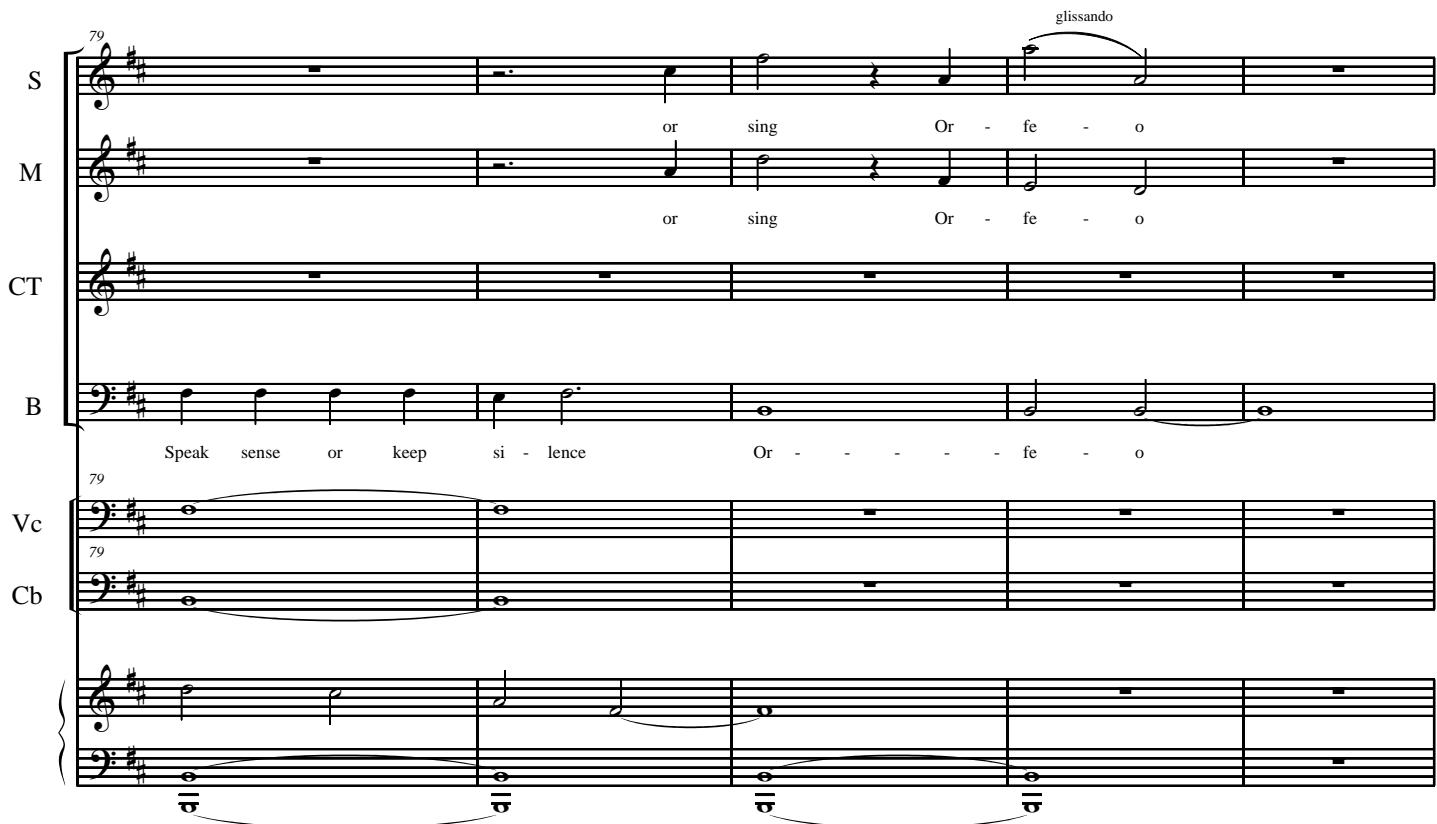
M or sing      Or - fe - o

CT

B Speak sense or keep si - lence      Or - - - fe - o

Vc

Cb



84

S  
M  
CT  
B  
Vc  
Cb  
Bassoon

She is dead but does she re -

84

94

S  
M  
CT  
B  
Vc  
Cb  
Bassoon

mem - ber her life? Sing, Or - fe - o Sing, Or - fe - o

94

Tacet 4 bars

# IIa

Music: Elodie Lauten  
Libretto: Michael Andre

**Lethe**

**Orfeo**

**Flute**

**Oboe**

**Violin**

**Cello**

**M**

**CT**

**Fl**

**Ob**

**VI**

**Vc**

♩ = 120

8

p Does she re - mem - ber

15

M

CT Does she re - mem - ber her life her life

Fl

Ob

VI

Vc

22

M

CT **p** Does she re - mem - ber her life her life **mf** Does she re - mem - ber

Fl

Ob

VI

Vc **p**

M 29

CT 29 Does she re - mem - ber her life her life *mf* Does she re - mem - ber Does she re -

Fl 29 *mf*

Ob 29 *mf*

VI 29 *mf*

Vc 29 *mf*

M 36 mem - ber her life her life *p* Does She re - mem - ber

CT 36 mem - ber her life her life *p* Does She re - mem - ber

Fl 36

Ob 36 *mf* *p* cantabile

VI 36 *mf* *p* cantabile

Vc 36 *mf* *p* cantabile

43

M Does she re - mem - ber Does she re - mem - ber her life her life her

CT Does she re - mem - ber Does she re - mem - ber her life her life her

Fl

Ob

VI

Vc

50

M life?

CT life her life?

Fl

Ob

VI

Vc

M  
CT  
Fl  
Ob  
V1  
Vc

57

57

57

57

57

57

M

CT

Fl

Ob

Vl

Vc

Tacet

71

M

CT

sense

Fl

Ob

VI

Vc

78

M

CT

p She still remem - bers

Fl

Ob

VI

Vc

M 85

she still re - mem bers *mf* she still re - mem - ber but can - not hear you *f* Or -

CT 85

Fl 85

Ob 85

VI 85

Vc 85

M 92

fray - o *mf* Soon the spi-rit of Be - a - trice will fade will fade

CT 92

*f* No! No! No!

Fl 92

Ob 92

VI 92

Vc 92

M 99 will fade but her soul but hersoul will then be re - born

CT 99 No! her soul will then be re - born

Fl 99

Ob 99 f

VI 99 f

Vc 99 f

{ Vc

# IIb

Lauten: Music  
Andre: Lyrics

$\text{d} = 55$

Crow      Lethe      Orfeo      Cat      Violin I      Violin II      Viola      Cello      Harpsichord

purred with excitement  
will      then      be      re - born      re      born

tremolo through 9      tremolo through 9      tremolo through 9

S      M      CT      B      V11      V12      Vla      Vc

not      or      not      or      not      or      not

be      re - - - born      her      soul      will

be      re - - - born

be      re      be      re      be      re - born      will      then      be      re - - - born

Vcl      Vcl      Vcl      Vcl

IIIb

20

S  
M  
CT  
B

Vl1  
Vl2  
Vla  
20  
Vc

*misterioso*

spoken: If not, not...

27

S  
M  
CT  
B

Vl1  
Vl2  
Vla  
27  
Vc

soon the spi - rit of Be - a - trice will fade but her soul will then be re -

IIb

35

S - - - - articulated or not re - born or not or not or not or  
M legato born re - born articulated will then be re - born but her  
CT legato re - born re born articulated will then be re - born will  
B legato re - born re born articulated will then be re born re - born re -  
V11 35 *mf*  
V12 35 *mf*  
Vla 35 *mf*  
Vc *mf*

41

S not re - born or not re - born or not or not or not or not or not  
M legato soul will then be re - born will then be re - born will then be re -  
CT legato then be re - born will then be re -  
B legato born\_\_\_\_\_ re - born\_\_\_\_ will then be re - born will then be re born re  
V11  
V12  
Vla  
Vc

47

S legato  
will she be re - born or not? or not or not or not or  
M born re - born will then be re - born her soul will then be re -  
CT born her soul will then be re - born will then be re - born  
B born re born re born will then be re - born re born re  
V11  
V12  
Vla  
Vc

{

47

53

S articulated  
not will she be re - born or not re - born or not or not  
M born re - born articulated will then be re - born will then be re -  
CT will then be re - born articulated re - born will then be re - born will then be re -  
B born re - born articulated born re - born re - born re - born re -  
V11  
V12  
Vla  
Vc

{

53

59

S will she be re - born?  
M born re - born!  
CT born re - born!  
B born re - born!

V11  
V12  
Vla  
Vc

59

*p*

*p*

everyone whispers:  
Sing, Orfeo, sing Orfeo...

65

S  
M *p*  
CT Sing! earth - - - ly muse...

V11  
V12  
Vla  
Vc

65

*p*

*p*

*p*

*p*

Pause

# III

Music: Elodie Lauten  
Libretto: Michael Andre

*J = 108*

Orfeo

Violin I

Violin II

Viola

Cello

Harpsichord

*p* sustained, dark

9

I must wade a - cross and tell her All the things I for - got to say

Vl1

Vl2

Vla

Vc

*p*

17

How I saw her eyes and found I sang How I saw her eyes and

V11  
V12  
Vla  
Vc

25

found I sang I saw her eyes—

25

V11  
V12  
Vla  
Vc

25

**p**

simile  
simile  
simile

25

**p**

25

33

I saw her eyes \_\_\_\_\_ I saw her eyes and

V1  
V2  
Vla  
Vc

41

found I sang I must wade a - cross and tell her I must wade a -

V1  
V2  
Vla  
Vc

49

cross and tell her I must wade a - cross and tell her

Vln  
Vla  
Vcl  
Vc

49

49

49

49

49

49

57

I saw her eyes I saw her eyes and found I sang and found I sang

Vln  
Vla  
Vcl  
Vc

57

57

57

57

57

65

**p** I must wade I must wade I must wade a - cross and

Vl1

Vl2

Vla

Vc

65

65

65

65

65

73

tell her **mf** I must wade I must wade I must wade

Vl1

Vl2

Vla

Vc

73

73

73

73

73

81

I saw her eyes      I saw her eyes \_\_\_\_\_

I must

V1  
V2  
Vla  
Vc

89

wade a - cross and tell her      I must wade      I must wade      I must

cresc

V1  
V2  
Vla  
Vc

97

wade I must wade I must wade I must wade a - cross and

p subito like a memory

Vln

Vl2

Vla

Vcl

Pno

p subito

p subito

p subito

p subito

105

tell her I must...

105

Vl1

Vl2

Vla

Vc

105

Sing or speak That wa-ter is kind of deep. Or fe-o...

113

Vl1  
Vl2  
Vla  
Vc

120

I must wade a - cross and tell her all the things I for - got to say How I

120

Vl1  
Vl2  
Vla  
Vc

120  
*pp*

120  
*pp*

120  
*pp*

120  
*pp*

129

saw her eyes and found I sang How I saw her eyes and found I

Vln 129  
Vln 129  
Vla 129  
Vcl 129

cresc

cresc

cresc

cresc

137

sang and found I sang  
relax tempo

Vln 137  
Vln 137  
Vla 137  
Vcl 137

mf

relax tempo

relax tempo

relax tempo

137

ad lib

# IV

Music: Elodie Lauten  
Libretto: Michael Andre

$\text{♩} = 90$

A musical score for section IV, featuring the following staves from top to bottom:

- Crow: Treble clef, 3/4 time.
- Lethé: Treble clef, 3/4 time.
- Orfeo: Treble clef, 2/4 time.
- Cat: Bass clef, 3/4 time.
- Flute: Treble clef, 3/4 time.
- Oboe: Treble clef, 3/4 time.
- Violin I: Treble clef, 3/4 time.
- Violin II: Treble clef, 3/4 time.
- Viola: Bass clef, 3/4 time.
- Cello: Bass clef, 3/4 time.
- Contrabass: Bass clef, 3/4 time. A "pizz" instruction is placed below this staff.
- Harpsichord: Two staves, treble and bass clefs, 3/4 time. The harpsichord part consists of two voices.

The score begins with a period of silence for most instruments, followed by entries from the Flute, Oboe, Violin I, Violin II, Viola, Cello, and Contrabass. The Harpsichord provides harmonic support throughout the piece.

7

S

Lethe *forceful*

M You have not ful-filled - your pur - pose not ful-filled your pur - pose and will mere - ly drown

CT

B

7

Fl

Ob

Vl1 pizz arco

Vl2 pizz arco

Vla pizz arco

Vc pizz arco

Cb

{

12

S  
M  
and will mere - ly drown and will mere - ly drown... I want all men to  
CT  
B

12

Fl  
Ob

12

VI1  
VI2  
Vla  
Vc  
Cb pizz

12

17

S

M sing to my rhythm I want all men to

CT

B

17

Fl

Ob

17

Vl1

17

Vl2

17

Vla

17

Vc

17

Cb

17

{

}

22

S

M sing to my sing to my sing to my rhythm

CT

B

Fl

Ob

Vl1

Vl2

Vla

Vc

Cb arco

{

This musical score page contains eight staves of vocal and instrumental parts. The vocal parts (Soprano, Mezzo-soprano, Alto, Bass) sing the lyrics 'sing to my' three times, followed by 'rhythm'. The instrumental parts include Flute, Oboe, Violin 1, Violin 2, Viola, Cello, and Double Bass. The piano part provides harmonic support with chords and a bassline. Measure numbers 22 are indicated above each staff.

IV

27

S

M

CT

B

Fl

Ob

Vl1

Vl2

Vla

Vc

Cb

First time, second time: all sing together; third time, Lethe solo

Soprano (S) vocal line: L. Y. R. E. S. L. Y. R. E. S. L. Y. R. E. S. L. Y. R. E. S.

Middle C (M) vocal line: legato  
Law - yers lie but ly - res tell truth ly - res tell truth

Countertenor (CT) vocal line: L. Y. R. E. S. L. Y. R. E. S. L. Y. R. E. S. L. Y. R. E. S.

Bass (B) vocal line: L. Y. R. E. S. and li - ons L. Y. R. E. S. L. Y. R. E. S.

Flute (Fl) vocal line: L. Y. R. E. S. L. Y. R. E. S. L. Y. R. E. S. L. Y. R. E. S.

Oboe (Ob) vocal line: L. Y. R. E. S. L. Y. R. E. S. L. Y. R. E. S. L. Y. R. E. S.

Violin 1 (Vl1) vocal line: L. Y. R. E. S. L. Y. R. E. S. L. Y. R. E. S. L. Y. R. E. S.

Violin 2 (Vl2) vocal line: L. Y. R. E. S. L. Y. R. E. S. L. Y. R. E. S. L. Y. R. E. S.

Viola (Vla) vocal line: L. Y. R. E. S. L. Y. R. E. S. L. Y. R. E. S. L. Y. R. E. S.

Cello (Vc) vocal line: L. Y. R. E. S. L. Y. R. E. S. L. Y. R. E. S. L. Y. R. E. S.

CDouble Bass (Cb) vocal line: L. Y. R. E. S. L. Y. R. E. S. L. Y. R. E. S. L. Y. R. E. S.

Percussion (Perc) vocal line: L. Y. R. E. S. L. Y. R. E. S. L. Y. R. E. S. L. Y. R. E. S.

35

S

M legato  
Law - yers lie but ly - res tell truth ly - res tell truth

CT

B

Fl

Ob

Vl1

VI2

Vla

Vc

Cb

{

This musical score page is labeled 'IV' at the top right. The vocal parts are labeled S (Soprano), M (Mezzo-soprano), CT (Alto), and B (Bass). The vocal line goes: 'legato Law - yers lie but ly - res tell truth ly - res tell truth'. The instrumental parts listed are Fl (Flute), Ob (Oboe), Vl1 (Violin 1), VI2 (Violin 2), Vla (Viola), Vc (Cello), and Cb (Double Bass). The score consists of multiple staves, each with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a common time signature. Measure numbers 35 are indicated above several staves. The vocal parts sing a line about lawyers lying and telling the truth. The instruments provide harmonic support with sustained notes and rhythmic patterns.

39

Spoken: Laywers lie but lyres - and lions - tell truth

This musical score page contains two staves. The top staff uses a treble clef, a common time signature, and a key signature of one sharp. It features sustained notes with grace notes above them. The bottom staff uses a bass clef, a common time signature, and a key signature of one sharp. It also features sustained notes with grace notes below them.

42

This musical score page contains two staves. The top staff uses a treble clef, a common time signature, and a key signature of one sharp. It consists of six measures of sixteenth-note patterns. The bottom staff uses a bass clef, a common time signature, and a key signature of one sharp. It consists of six measures of eighth-note patterns.

45

This musical score page contains two staves. The top staff uses a treble clef, a common time signature, and a key signature of one sharp. It consists of six measures of sixteenth-note patterns. The bottom staff uses a bass clef, a common time signature, and a key signature of one sharp. It consists of six measures of eighth-note patterns.

48

This musical score page contains two staves. The top staff uses a treble clef, a common time signature, and a key signature of one sharp. It consists of four measures of eighth-note patterns. The bottom staff uses a bass clef, a common time signature, and a key signature of one sharp. It consists of four measures of eighth-note patterns.

## V

**Music: Elodie Lauten**  
**Libretto: Michael Andre**

**Orfeo**  $\text{♩} = 90$

**Flute** *mf* legato

**Oboe** *mf* legato simile

**Violin I** pizz p throughout arco

**Violin II** pizz p throughout arco

**Viola** pizz p throughout arco

**Contrabass** pizz p throughout arco

**CT** 7 What am I to do? dreamy, *p* the swim - mer strokes the waves

**Fl** 7

**Ob** 7

**Vl1** 7 pizz arco

**Vl2** 7 pizz arco

**Vla** 7 pizz arco

**Cb** 7 pizz arco

13

CT what rhy - them?

Fl

Ob

Vl1

Vl2

Vla

Cb

*f* De - void of

19

CT her how praise - wor - thy is the world?

Fl

Ob

Vl1

Vl2

Vla

Cb

*mf*

pizz

pizz

pizz

25

CT      *mf* De - void of her how praise - - - wor - - thy is the

25

Fl

Ob

Vl1 arco pizz arco

25

Vl2

25

Vla

25

Cb

{

31

CT world *p* Her

31

Fl

Ob

Vl1

31

Vl2

31

Vla

31

Cb

{

37

CT      footsteps      e - cho      in my head      and I      my - self      have      lost      the right      to      see

Fl

Ob

Vl1

Vl2 arco

Vla arco

Cb arco

43

CT      and I      my - self      have      lost      the right      to      see      **f**      the      right      to      see

Fl

Ob

Vl1 arco      **pp**

Vl2 pizz

Vla pizz

Cb pizz

49

CT      the right to see      I my-self have lost the right to see the

49

Fl

Ob

Vl1 pizz

Vl2

Vla

Cb

{

55

CT      right to see      the right to see

55

Fl

Ob

Vl1 arco pizz

Vl2

Vla

Cb arco

{ arco

# VI

Music: Elodie Lauten  
Libretto: Michael Andre

*Persephone*

$\text{♩} = 90$

Flute

Violin I

Violin II

Viola

Cello

Contrabass

Persephone

did-dle did-dle did-dle did-dle did-dle did-dle

$p$

$p$

$p$

$p$

$p$  eighth & quarter notes: pizz

rum dot def dub - ble dit dot  $f$  His flow - ing

Fl

Vl1

Vl2

Vla

Vc

Cb

half & whole notes: arco

13

dark - ness coils like the snake that bit Be - a - trice

Fl

Vl1

Vl2

Vla

Vc

Cb

19

Did - dle dub - ble dit dot

Fl

Vl1

Vl2

Vla

Vc

Cb

25

Fl

Vl1

Vl2

Vla

Vc

Cb

31

Fl

Vl1

Vl2

Vla

Vc

Cb

37

got for got and are for -

Fl

Vl1

Vl2

Vc

Cb

Bsn

43

got and are for - got and are for -

Fl

Vl1

Vl2

Vc

Cb

Bsn

49

Fl

V11

V12

Vla

Vc

Cb

{

55

Fl

V11

V12

Vla

Vc

Cb

{

61

lo - ved souls      Like un - lo - - - ved

Fl      *p*

V11      *pp*

V12      *pp*

Vla      *pp*

Vc      *pp*

Cb      *pp*

67

souls al - ways Or - fe - o      Or - fe - o      ***p*** you for

Fl

V11      simile      *pp subito*

V12      *pp subito*

Vla      *pp subito*

Vc      *pp subito*

Cb      *pp subito*

73

get sweet sad se - rene and peace - - - -

F1

Vl1

Vl2

Vla

Vc

Cb

78

ful death you drank from Le - the be -

F1

Vl1

Vl2

Vla

Vc

Cb

82

fore you were born and *f* died the crow re - mem - bers you  
a cappella

Fl

Vl1

Vl2

Vla

Vc

Cb

Tacet

# Finale

Elodie Lauten: music  
Michael Andre: lyrics

*d = 126*

Sop

Mez

CTen

Bass

Flute

Oboe

*p*

Violin I

Violin II

Viola

Cello

Contrabass

*d = 126*

max shimmer

Harpsichord

The musical score consists of ten staves. The top four staves are for vocal parts: Soprano (Sop), Mezzo-Soprano (Mez), Counter-Tenor (CTen), and Bass. The bottom six staves are for instrumental parts: Flute, Oboe, Violin I, Violin II, Viola, and Cello/Bassoon (Contrabass). The Flute and Oboe staves begin with a dynamic 'p'. The Harpsichord staff at the bottom has a dynamic marking 'max shimmer'.

Musical score for Finale, page 68, featuring ten staves of music. The staves are labeled on the left as follows:

- Sop (Soprano)
- Mez (Mezzo-soprano)
- CTen (Castrato Tenor)
- Bass (Bass)
- Fl (Flute)
- Ob (Oboe)
- VII (VII)
- VIII (VIII)
- Vla (Viola)
- Vc (Cello)
- Cb (Double Bass)

The score consists of ten staves of music. The first four staves (Sop, Mez, CTen, Bass) are blank. The Flute (Fl) and Oboe (Ob) staves begin with eighth-note patterns. The VII and VIII staves remain blank. The Viola (Vla), Cello (Vc), and Double Bass (Cb) staves begin with quarter-note patterns. The Double Bass (Cb) staff includes a dynamic marking "pizz." at the end of the first measure. The bottom two staves represent a basso continuo section, indicated by a brace, with notes appearing in both staves.

## Finale

69

II

Sop II  
Mez II  
CTen II  
Bass II

**f** Let Bea be fi - na - le of

Fl II  
Ob II

VII II  
VIII II

Vla II  
Vc II  
Cb II

arco

This musical score page features ten staves. The top four staves are vocal parts: Soprano (Sop), Mezzo-Soprano (Mez), Counter-Tenor (CTen), and Bass. The vocal parts begin with a sustained note followed by a rhythmic pattern of eighth and sixteenth notes. The vocal parts are labeled with Roman numerals II above them. The vocal parts are followed by two woodwind staves: Flute (Fl) and Oboe (Ob). The Flute part consists of eighth-note patterns with grace notes, while the Oboe part has sustained notes with slurs. Below the woodwinds are three string staves: Violin VII, Violin VIII, and Cello (Cb). The Violins play eighth-note patterns, and the Cello provides harmonic support with sustained notes. The bottom two staves are bassoon staves (Vla and Vc), which also play eighth-note patterns. The score concludes with a dynamic marking 'arco' at the end of the Cello staff.

## Finale

10

Sop seem  
16

Mez seem  
16

CTen seem  
16

Bass seem

**f** Death is the

Fl

Ob

VII

VIII

Vla

Vc

Cb

{ 16

## Finale

71

21

Sop      The  
bratty      *p* on - ly - em pe ror is the em - pe - ror of ice - cream *mf*

21

Mez

21

CTen

21

Bass      on - ly em - pe - ror

21

Fl      *p* *mf*

Ob      *p* *mf*

21

VII      *p* *mf*

VIII      *p* *mf*

21

Vla      *p* *mf*

21

Vc      *p* *mf*

21

Cb      *p* *mf*<sup>pizz.</sup>

21

{      *p* *mf*

## Finale

31

Sop

Mez

CTen

Bass

cide by drow - ning

31

Fl

Ob

p

cresc

VII

VIII

Vla

Vc

marcato

cresc

Cb

p pizz.

cresc

31

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Bass

## Finale

Musical score for orchestra and choir, page 36. The score consists of two systems of music. The top system includes parts for Soprano (Sop), Mezzo-Soprano (Mez), C-Tenor (CTen), Bass, Flute (Fl), Oboe (Ob), VII, VIII, Violin (Vla), Cello (Vc), and Double Bass (Cb). The bottom system includes parts for Bassoon (Bsn) and Double Bass (Cb). The music features various rhythmic patterns, including eighth-note chords and sixteenth-note figures, with dynamic markings like forte (f) and piano (p).

41

Sop  
Mez  
CTen  
Bass

Some  
agitated im - pish god pu - shes Be - a - trice in - to Le - the's em-

Fl  
Ob

VII  
VIII  
Vla  
Vc  
Cb

arco

46

Sop

46

Mez

46

CTen

46

Bass

brace      they      kiss

46

Fl

cantabile

Ob

cantabile

VII

cantabile

VIII

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Vla

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Vc

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Cb

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51

Sop  
Mez  
CTen  
Bass

comes E - lo - die, the com po - ser

51

Fl  
Ob

VII  
VIII

Vla  
Vc  
Cb

{

## Finale

56

Sop      Mez      CTen      Bass

*f*

Or - - - fe - o Or - - - fre - o

56

Fl      Ob

cresc      *mf*

Ob      VII

cresc      *mf*

VII      VIII

cresc      *mf*

Vla      Vc

cresc      *mf*

Vc      Cb

cresc      *mf*

Cb

{

61

Sop  
Mez  
CTen  
Bass

Or - - - fe - o Or - - - fre - o is sur -

Fl  
Ob

VII  
VIII

Vla  
Vc  
Cb

pizz.

## Finale

66

Sop

66

Mez

prised...

66

CTen

66

Bass

He will free them both from hell a - ny - way

*p*

66

Fl

66

Ob

*p*

66

VII

66

VIII

*p*

66

Vla

66

Vc

*p*

66

Cb

*arco pizz.*

66

71

Sop Free them both from hell a - ny - way

71 **f** Mez Free them both from hell a-ny-way

71 CTen Free them both from hell

71 Bass **f** free them both from hell a-ny-way

71 Fl

71 **mf** Ob

71 VII

71 **mf** VIII

71 Vla

71 **mf** Vc

71 Cb **mf**

71

This musical score page shows the final section of the Finale. It features ten staves of music. The vocal parts (Soprano, Mezzo-soprano, Counter-tenor, Bass) sing the lyrics "Free them both from hell a-ny-way" in unison at a forte dynamic (f). The instrumental parts (Flute, Oboe, VII, VIII, Viola, Violin, Cello) provide harmonic support. The score is in common time, with measures 71 through the end of the page.

76

Sop      *p* The li - on jumps o - ver the moon      Cat and crow switch hats

76

Mez      *p* The li - on jumps o - ver the moon

76

CTen      *p* The li - on jumps o - ver the moon

76

Bass      *p* Yow...      *f* The

76

Fl

Ob

VII

VIII

Vla      pizz.

Vc

Cb      pizz.

76



## Finale

86

Sop fe - - - - o Or - fre - o Or - fre - o will free them both

Mez

CTen

Bass

Fl

Ob

VII

VIII

Vla

Vc

Cb

mf

mf

mf

mf

mf

mf

mf

mf

91

Sop      free them both      free them both      *p* free them both from hell a - ny - way *f* free them both from

91

Mez      free them both      free them both      *p* free them both from hell a - ny - way *f* free them both from

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CTen      free them both      free them both      *p* free them both from hell a - ny - way *f* free them both from

91

Bass      *f* free them both      free them both      *p* free them both from hell a - ny - way *f* free them both from

91

Fl      *mf*      *pp*      *mf*

Ob      *mf*      *pp*      *mf*

VII      *mf*      *pp*      *mf*

VIII      *mf*      *pp*      *mf*

Vla      *mf*      *pp*      *mf*

Vc      *mf*      *pp*      *mf*

Cb      *mf*      *pp*      *mf*

91

## Finale

96

Sop      hell a - ny - way      *f* Or - - - - fe - - - o      Or - - - - fre - - o will

96

Mez      hell a - ny - way

96

CTen      hell a - ny - way

96

Bass      hell a - ny - way

Fl

Ob

96

VII

VIII

Vla

Vc

Cb

96

This musical score page contains two systems of music. The top system includes vocal parts: Soprano (Sop), Mezzo-Soprano (Mez), Counter-Tenor (CTen), and Bass. The lyrics "hell a - ny - way" are repeated by each singer. The vocal parts are supported by an orchestra consisting of Flute (Fl), Oboe (Ob), VII (likely Trombone or similar brass instrument), VIII (likely Trombone or similar brass instrument), Violin (Vla), Cello (Vc), and Double Bass (Cb). The orchestra plays rhythmic patterns primarily consisting of eighth and sixteenth notes. Measure numbers 96 are indicated above the staves.

101

Sop free them both from hell a - ny - way *f* Or - - - - - fre - - - o Tacet

101 Mez free them both from hell a - ny - way *f* Or - - - - - fre - - - o Tacet

101 CTen free them both from hell a - ny - way Tacet

Bass free them both from hell a - ny - way Tacet

101 Fl

101 Ob *p*

101 VII *p*

101 VIII *p*

101 Vla

101 Vc *p*

101 Cb *p*

101

101

This musical score page contains two systems of music. The top system features vocal parts: Soprano (Sop), Mezzo-Soprano (Mez), Counter-Tenor (CTen), and Bass. The vocal parts sing a phrase starting with 'free them both from hell a - ny - way' followed by a dynamic change to forte (*f*) and a sustained note. The vocal parts then sing 'Or - - - - - fre - - - o' followed by a dynamic change to piano (Tacet). The bottom system features woodwind and brass instruments: Flute (Fl), Oboe (Ob), VII (likely Trombone or similar brass instrument), VIII (likely Trombone or similar brass instrument), Violin (Vla), Cello (Vc), and Double Bass (Cb). The woodwind and brass parts play eighth-note patterns. The bass part has a sustained note at the end of each measure. Measure numbers 101 are indicated above the vocal parts in both systems.

## Finale

106

Sop

106

Mez

106

CTen

106

Bass

Fl

Ob

VII

VIII

Vla

Vc

Cb



## Finale

121

Sop both from hell *p* Free them both from hell Free them **f**

121 Mez both from hell *p* Free them both from hell Free them **f**

121 CTen both from hell *p* Free them both from hell Free them **f**

Bass both from hell *p* Free them both from hell Free them **f**

121 Fl both from hell *p* Free them both from hell Free them **f**

121 Ob both from hell *p* Free them both from hell Free them **f**

121 VII both from hell *p* Free them both from hell Free them **f**

121 VIII both from hell *p* Free them both from hell Free them **f**

121 Vla both from hell *p* Free them both from hell Free them **f**

121 Vc both from hell *p* Free them both from hell Free them **f**

121 Cb both from hell *p* Free them both from hell Free them **f**

121 Cb both from hell *p* Free them both from hell Free them **f**

126

Sop      Mez      CTen      Bass

*p* Free them      Free them both Free them both from hell      Singers exit

126

*p* Free them      Free them both Free them both from hell

126

*p* Free them      Free them both Free them both from hell

126

*p* Free them      Free them them both hell

Fl      Ob

126      126

*pp*

VII      VIII

126      126

*pp*

Vla      Vc

126      126

*pp*

Cb

126

*pp* arco



136

Sop

136

Mez

136

CTen

136

Bass

136

Fl

136

Ob

136

VII

136

VIII

136

Vla

136

Vc

136

Cb

136

141

Sop  
Mez  
CTen  
Bass

Fl  
Ob  
VII  
VIII  
Vla  
Vc  
Cb

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This musical score page contains eight staves. The top four staves represent vocal parts: Soprano (Sop), Mezzo-Soprano (Mez), Counter-Tenor (CTen), and Bass. The bottom four staves represent instrumental parts: Flute (Fl), Oboe (Ob), VII (likely a soprano or alto instrument), and VIII (likely a bassoon or double bass instrument). The instrumentation also includes Violin (Vla), Cello (Vc), and Double Bass (Cb). The score is set in common time. Measure 141 begins with a forte dynamic. Measures 142-143 show eighth-note patterns with grace notes and dynamic markings of *p* and *mp*. Measures 144-145 continue with similar patterns. Measures 146-147 feature sustained notes with grace notes and dynamic markings. Measures 148-149 conclude with eighth-note patterns and dynamic markings.

146

Sop

146

Mez

146

CTen

146

Bass

146

Fl

146 f

Ob

146 f

VII

146 f

VIII

146 f

Vla

146 f

Vc

146 f

Cb

146 f

146

The musical score consists of two groups of staves. The top group contains four vocal parts: Soprano (Sop), Mezzo-soprano (Mez), Cello Tenor (CTen), and Bass. The bottom group contains eight instrumental parts: Flute (Fl), Oboe (Ob), VII (VII), VIII (VIII), Violin (Vla), Cello (Vc), Double Bass (Cb), and a bassoon-like instrument (C). Measure 146 begins with the instruments playing eighth-note patterns. The Flute, Oboe, VII, VIII, Violin, Cello, and Double Bass all play eighth notes with a dynamic marking of forte (f). The Double Bass plays eighth notes with a dynamic marking of piano (p). Measures 147 through 150 show the continuation of this pattern, with the Double Bass providing harmonic support. The vocal parts remain silent throughout the section.