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A Short Musical

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# CHARACTER BREAKDOWN

Character Instrument

<u>ATY</u> Harp

A harpist commissioned for retreats.

AXO Harp

A sharp crook.

# SET DESIGNS

Page	Location	SET   props
1	Mansion	Harp

# MUSICAL NUMBERS

<b>\$</b> 1#	Title	Character(s)	Instrument
1.	Retreat	ATY AXO	Нагр
2.	Harp Away	ATY	Нагр

#### 1. RETREAT

[Mansion]

(ATY strums the harp.)

(AXO covertly enters, wielding a knife. They peek at ATY to confirm it is their home.)

#### AXO

YUP. ATY. THIS IT.

(Searching the area.)

MANSION. TREASURES.

(Finding the mansion to be hollow.)

SERIOUSLY... AN-THING? NOTHING. FOR REAL?

ATY AXO

WRITE FOR RETREATS. A TRICK. RICH. EMPTY.

I'M BEYOND A ONE-HIT HANDED. A STAB. WONDER.

(AXO approaches ATY.)

NOWT TO FEAR. INSANE. SAFE. DANGER.

PERFECT LIFE, PULLING A SHELLLESS.

HARP STRING. MUSIC.

I KEEP UP. POMPOUS. KEPT. SELFISH.

JUST ONE NEW PIECE FOR RELEASE.

THIS EVENT. YOURSELF. NOTHING... THINK LESS.

RINGS. RELAX. DON'T NEED TO TAKE A JUST BREATH.

BREATH. JUST BREATH. MELODRAMATIC.

(AXO plucks the strings of the harp.)

ATY (cont.)

AXO (cont.)

FAILURE. OPTION. NOT.

EV'-ONE... FAILS HERE, THERE.

LOSE PRAISE, KIN, FRIENDS.

NOTHING TO... HAVE IT ALL. SOMETIMES THERE'S...

BOOZE, CRAZE, SIN. ENDS.

JUST MANAGE. DO REPENT.

AXO

COMPOSE THIS TO REST.

(ATY motions for AXO to have a stab at it.)

(AXO shows reluctance.)

(ATY slumps over.)

(AXO drops the knife. They strum the harp. They depart.)

#### 2. HARP AWAY

RUN. TAKE A STAB. HIDE. CAN'T ESCAPE FROM ANY FAILURES. MY MUSIC SCHOOL. IT ONLY PASSES PERFECTION. AN AUDIENCE NOW. NEVER FAIL IF I NO LONGER...

(Grabbing the knife.)

CONTINUE...

(Aiming the knife towards themselves.)

CUT AWAY. HARP AWAY!

(Cutting off the strings of the harp.)

(ATY takes a breath.)

Fin

### RETREAT

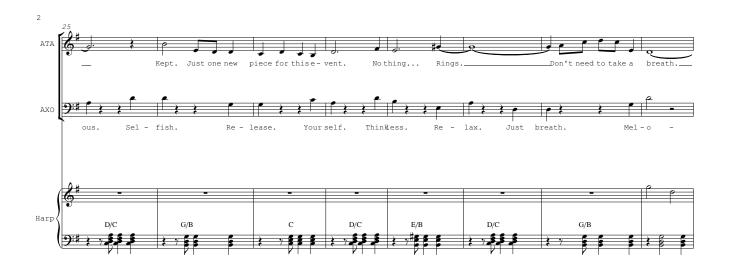
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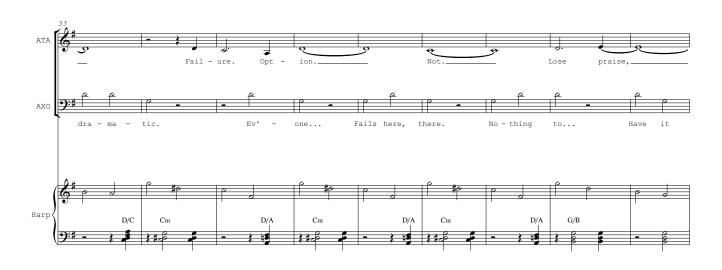
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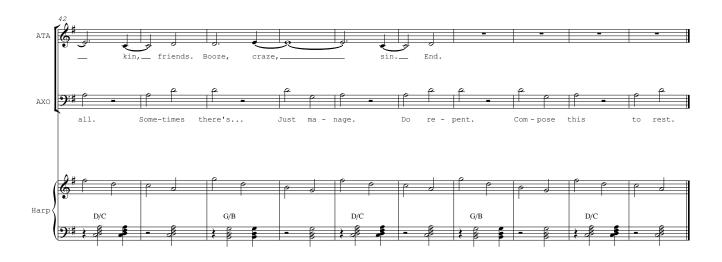












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