
la Verge Foudroyante

for Violin Solo

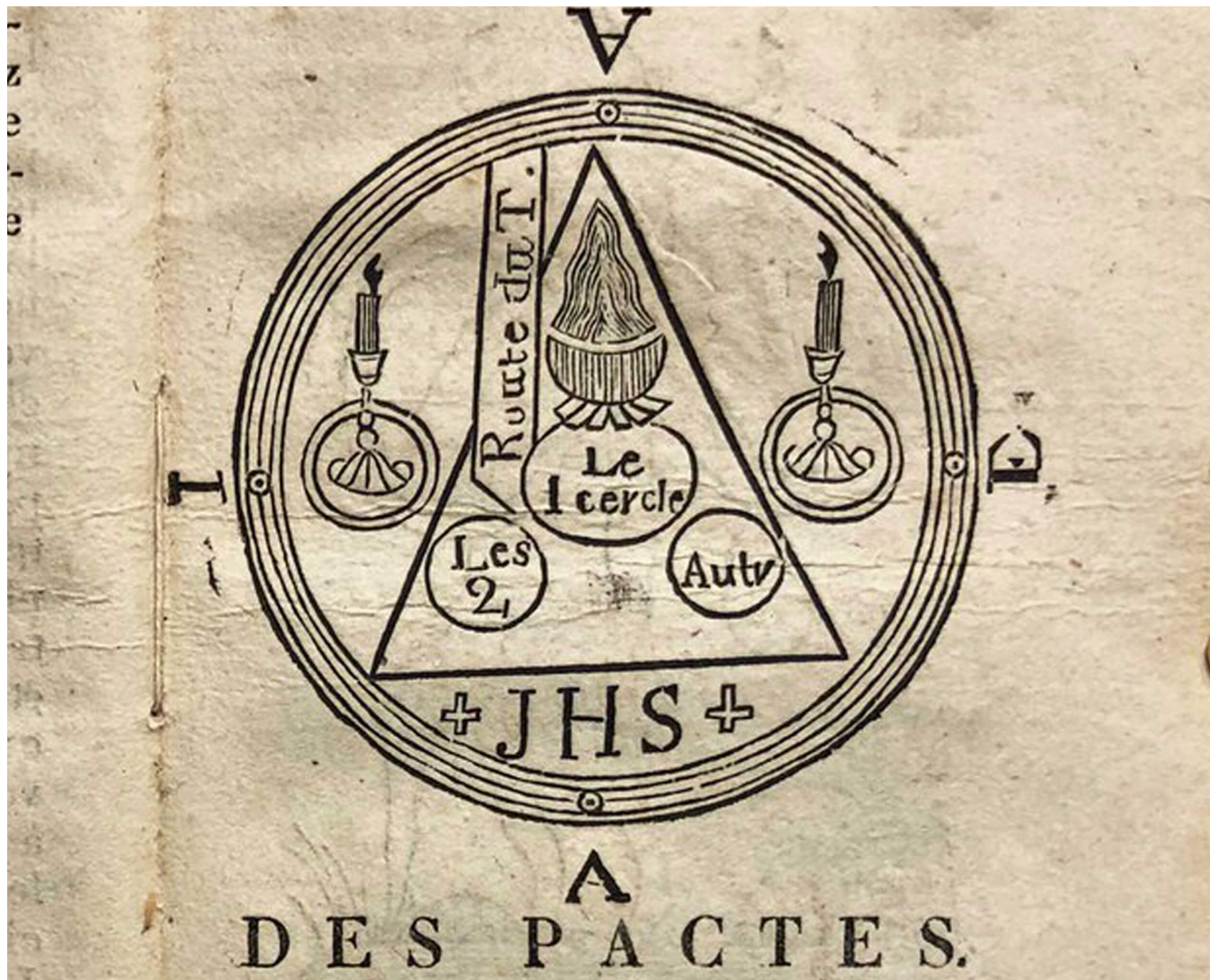
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FOREWORD

“Appellations que vous trouverez ci-après, dans ce Livre: de même que la véritable composition de *la Verge Foudroyante*, et ses effets qui font trembles les Esprits, et dont Dieu se servit pour armer son Ange, qui chassa Adam et Eve du paradis terrestre, et de laquelle Dieu frappa les Anges rebelles, précipitant leur orgueils dans des Abymes les plus épouvantables, par la force de cette Verge qui forme des nuées, qui disperse les ouragans et les fait tomber sur quelle partie de la Terre que vous voulez.”

- J. Karter



“Appellations that you will find below, in this Book: as well as the true composition of *the Lightning Rod*, and its effects which make the Spirits tremble, and which God used to arm his Angel, who expelled Adam and Eve of the earthly paradise, and with which God struck the rebellious Angels, rushing their pride into the most dreadful Abysses, by the force of this Rod which forms clouds, which scatters hurricanes and causes them to fall on what part of the Earth you wish.”

- J. Karter (English approximation)

NOTES FOR THE INTERPRETER

General: 1.) Dynamics in this score are effort dynamics, representing the physical force behind an action rather than the sounding dynamic. 2.) Dashed arrows above the staff indicate a gradual transition from one technique to another. 3.) Playing techniques persist until cancelled by another technique. 4.) Dashed slurs indicate for the enclosed passage to be played legato, without prescribing a particular bowing. 5.) A time signature of X/X indicates an ametric passage. The durations within these passages should still be counted in relation to the prescribed tempo, but no downbeats are indicated. Each of the notes in lowest staff of these passages counts as a “measure” for ease of identification within the passage. 6.) Triplet brackets which are open on the right side indicate the prolotion of the note alone, rather than the number of beats within the prolotion. For example, an open triplet bracket reading “3:2” over a half note denotes a “third” note which is one third of a whole note, or a triplet half note. 7.) Grand pause fermate are counted as measures. 8.) Flat glissandi are sometimes used for the same function as ties.

The Staves: 1.) The interpreter may read up to three staves indicating separate voicings or rhythmic prolations. Simultaneities across these staves should be preserved in the form of double stops if possible, otherwise notes may be released to preserve the attack points of rhythmically subsequent notes. 2.) If the notes in the upper staff are colored red, this indicates a parametric notation, wherein the upper staff indicates the actions of the right hand, and the lower staff indicates the actions of the left hand. 3.) Dynamic markings in one staff apply to all active staves at a given moment. 4.) A four-line staff with an unpitched clef indicates playing on the open strings, wherein the top line indicates string I, the next line indicates string II, and so on.

Microtones: 1.) An inverted flat accidental indicates to play a quarter tone flat, and a sharp accidental with only one vertical line indicates to play a quarter tone sharp. 2.) Justly tuned passages are notated using Helmholtz-Ellis accidentals with cent deviations from an equally tempered note printed above. In the absence of an electric tuner, approximations of these deviations are acceptable.

Note Heads: 1.) **Finger pressure of the left hand** is indicated by note head shape, wherein round note heads indicate a fully closed string, triangular note heads indicate a finger pressure between harmonic pressure and fully closing the string, and diamond-shaped note heads indicate to touch the string on the pitch indicated with finger pressure as if playing a harmonic, whether a harmonic sounds or not. 2.) Cross-shaped note heads indicate to damp the string near the pitch indicated with the left hand, removing as much pitch from the sound as possible.

Bowing Indications and Abbreviations: 1.) **Dietro ponticello**, or **DP** indicates to bow between the bridge and the tailpiece. This indication is always coupled with a direction to bow on the wrapping, creating a screech-like sound similar to a shrill scratch tone. 2.) **Ordinario**, or **Ord.** cancels dietro ponticello. 3.) **Collegno tratto**, or **CLT** indicates to rub with the wood of the bow, and **1/2 collegno tratto** or **1/2 CLT** indicates to rub with both the wood and the hair. These directions are always coupled with a circle bow articulation, which indicates to draw the bow in a full circle on the string, completing the rotation within the duration of the articulated note. 4.) **Crine** indicates to rub with the hair of the bow only. 5.) **Extra slow bow**, or **XSB** indicates to bow as slowly as possible, generating scratch tone at higher bow pressures. This is coupled with an indication reading “approx. 3 clicks per s.” at measure 86, which indicates to draw the bow so slowly and at such high pressure that only semi-periodic clicks of bow friction appear. In this passage, the bow is drawn faster and faster until the pitch of the note is uncovered from the noise at measure 88. 6.) **Normale bow**, or **NB** indicates normale bowing speed.

This work was written for Irvine Arditti on the occasion of the 2022 Vienna Summer Music Festival Composers' Forum,
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to Irvine Arditti

la Verge Foudroyante

for violin solo

Trinton (*2000)

$\text{♩} = 77$

As full bows as possible

11:10

23:20

fff

$\text{♩} = 69$ $\text{♩} = 47$

3

5:3

mp < *mf*

ff

IV-
Ord.

DP, wrapping

IV-
Ord.

XSB

7:6

$\text{♩} = 105$

5

DP, wrapping

IV-
Ord.

NB

-16

-35

-4

mp

5:4

8:2

1

4

X

X

+0

♩ = 240

8

Musical score for measures 8-14. The piano part (left) features a melodic line with intervals such as 3:2, 5:4, and 7:5. The vocal parts (right) consist of three staves with complex rhythmic patterns, primarily using 16th notes, and intervals like 6:5, 6:7, 3:2, 5:7, and 5:4. Dynamics include *f* and *mp*.

♩ = 130

15

Musical score for measures 15-20. The piano part (left) features a melodic line with intervals such as 6:7, 5:6, 5:7, and 5:4. The vocal parts (right) consist of three staves with complex rhythmic patterns, primarily using 16th notes, and intervals like 6:7, 5:6, 5:7, and 5:4. Dynamics include *mp* and *mf*.

♩ = 47

♩ = 105

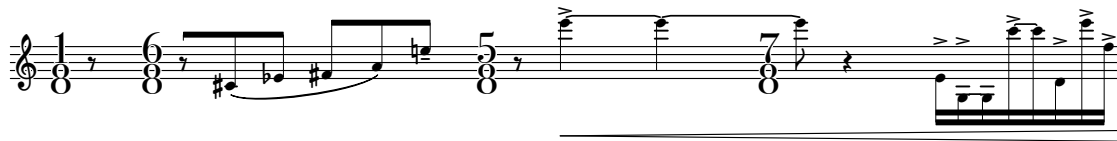
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Musical score for measures 21-24. The piano part (left) features a melodic line with intervals such as 5:4 and 15:8. The vocal parts (right) consist of three staves with complex rhythmic patterns, primarily using 3/4 and 5/4 time signatures, and intervals like 5:6 and 7:6. Dynamics include *mp* and *pp*.

25

Musical score for measures 25-28. The piano part (left) features a melodic line with intervals such as 1/2 CLT and CLT. The vocal parts (right) consist of three staves with complex rhythmic patterns, primarily using 7/4 and 6/4 time signatures, and intervals like 1/2 CLT and CLT. Dynamics include *mp* and *mf*.

39



♩ = 60

♩ = 260

43

Crine

CLT

9:8

5:4

1/2 CLT

CLT

3:2

3:2

8va₁

8va₁

5:6

5:4

5:4

♩ = 69 *Accel.* ♩ = 420

49

9:8

7:4

16

DP, wrapping

pp

ff

p

f

♩ = 60

55

Ord.

p

fp

ff

f

fp

f

p

mp

♩ = 130 *Rit.*

57

+37

7:4

-14

-41

5:4

+4

5:4

+2

-10

7:4

p

f

mp

ff

mp

♩ = 69

61

CLT 13:8

1/2 CLT

7:4

CLT 13:8

mf

p

fp

p

fp

64

6:5

1/2 CLT

CLT

f

7:4

13:12

3:2

p

fp

p

fp

f

♩ = 47

67

Crine

49:48

pp < mp > pp < mp > pp < mp > pp < mp > pp < mp > pp <

7:6

13:8

3:2

fp

f

69

49:48

51:48

8va₁

mp > pp < mp > pp < mp > pp < mp > pp < mp > pp < mp > pp < mp > pp <

70

9:8

49:48

8va₁

8va₁

8va₁

mp > pp < mp > pp < mp > pp < mp > pp < mp > pp < mp > pp < mp > pp <

The musical score consists of five systems, each with a circled measure number (61, 64, 67, 69, 70). System 61 is in 4/4 time with a tempo of 69 bpm, featuring a treble staff with complex rhythmic patterns and a bass staff with sustained notes and dynamic markings (mf, p, fp). System 64 continues the 4/4 time signature with similar rhythmic complexity. System 67 changes to 6/4 time and includes a 'Crine' section with a red-shaded treble staff and a series of dynamic markings (pp, mp). System 69 continues the 6/4 time signature with further dynamic markings and a '8va₁' instruction. System 70 returns to 4/4 time and includes a '9:8' time signature change and another '8va₁' instruction. The score is characterized by its intricate rhythmic notation, including many beamed sixteenth and thirty-second notes, and its use of dynamic contrast (pp to fp).

♩ = 60

72

Musical score for measures 72-75. The score is written for a grand staff (treble and bass clefs). The time signature is 3/4. The tempo is marked as ♩ = 60. The score includes dynamic markings: *pp*, *mp*, *pp*, *mp*, *pp*, *mp*, *pp*, *p*. The score also includes a section marked "XSB" and a section marked "I". The score ends with a double bar line and a final chord marked "X".

76

Musical score for measures 76-79. The score is written for a grand staff (treble and bass clefs). The time signature is 1/4. The tempo is marked as ♩ = 130. The score includes dynamic markings: *f*, *f*, *f*. The score also includes a section marked "NB" and a section marked "8va₁". The score ends with a double bar line and a final chord marked "X".

♩ = 69

80

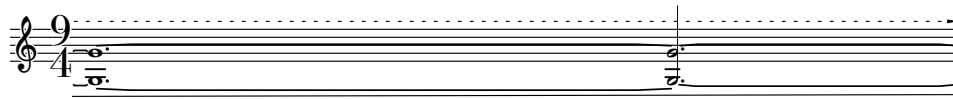
Musical score for measures 80-84. The score is written for a grand staff (treble and bass clefs). The time signature is 5/4. The tempo is marked as ♩ = 69. The score includes dynamic markings: *f*, *mp*. The score also includes a section marked "XSB" and a section marked "X". The score ends with a double bar line and a final chord marked "X".

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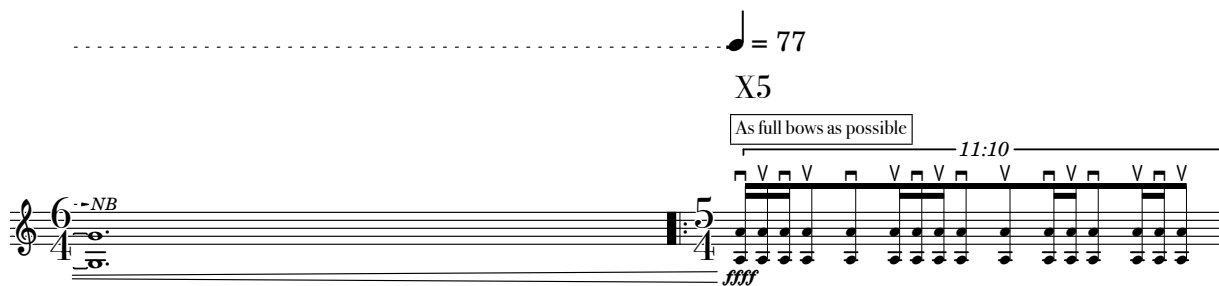
Musical score for measures 85-88. The score is written for a grand staff (treble and bass clefs). The time signature is 9/4. The tempo is marked as ♩ = 69. The score includes dynamic markings: *f*, *mp*. The score also includes a section marked "XSB, approx. 3 clicks per s." and a section marked "X". The score ends with a double bar line and a final chord marked "X".

Accel.

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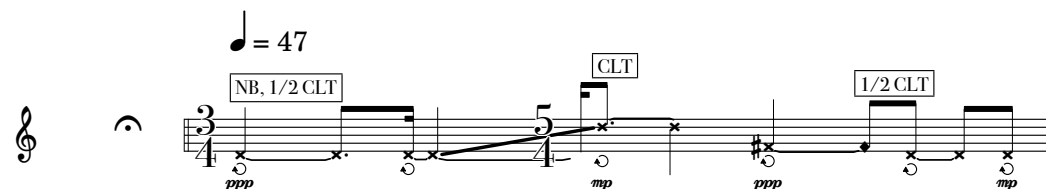
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93



96



99



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