

Lost and Found
for violin and cello

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The title *Lost and Found* could be an appropriate choice for a range of music styles or characters, some, perhaps, quite upbeat and cheerful. This duet, however, was completed during the Covid-19 pandemic and is (not surprisingly) quite a bit darker.

The title actually comes from a line written by the English poet and Anglican clergyman John Newton in 1772: "I once was lost, but now am found, was blind, but now I see." These words, of course, are best known from the first stanza of the most famous of all folk hymns, *Amazing Grace*.

Lost and Found, while written as a single movement, has four easily discerned sections. The short introduction, marked "anxious, nervous," is followed by a highly rhythmic, driven, and almost obsessive section marked "agitated, angry." This is followed by the contrasting lost and floating character of "adrift, searching," which then brings us to the final passage, a peaceful and comforting section marked "like a prayer."

Performance Notes:

In the introduction (first three systems, before measure 1):

The metronome marking is a guide, but take your time; it's flexible and the parts need not be precisely coordinated, just try to stay together relative to the proportional notation.

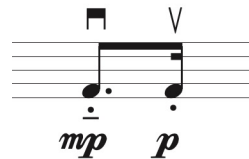
The *sul ponticello* timbre should be extreme.

The tremolos in this passage should not be even (normal) tremolos, but should be played as jagged, irregular, nervous, quick, short figures on the repeated note indicated. The cello uses this same style in measures 161 - 164.

After the first fermata the violin should repeat the jagged, irregular octaves ad lib, with a gradual diminuendo.

Both instruments will occasionally see a line connecting two notes. This should be interpreted as a light glissando, similar to a portamento.

This figure occurs repeatedly. Whatever the overall dynamic, take care not to accent the second note; even when not specifically indicated, the second note should always be a bit softer.



Cello

In measures 161 - 164, use the same style of jagged, irregular tremolos as in the introduction. In m. 167 - this is a harmonic-stopped tremolo: a rapid alternation between the pitch of the harmonic and the stopped pitch, achieved by alternating a harmonic fingering and the non-harmonic stopped note in the same finger position. The E3 is stopped, and the "harmonic" finger rapidly touches the string in the manner of a trill, while the stopping finger remains firmly pressed against the fingerboard.

Violin

In bar 196 - this is a trill between open G and F# on the G string. It's fine if the open G doesn't completely speak.

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anxious, nervous

(♩ = 60)

Violin *sul pont.* *ppp* *cresc.*

Cello *sul pont.* *ppp* *cresc.*

molto accel. (♩ = 96) *fff*

(*mf*) 3 5 3 6

(*mf*) 3 *fff*

(♩ = 60) *ord.* *long* *pp*

mf *mp* *pp*

fff *ff* *f* *f* *ord.* *slow, free, dramatic* *5* *long* *mp* *p*

agitated, angry

♩ = 90 (♩ = 180)

ff *pizz.* *ff*

ff

5

5

arco

mf

ff

8

8

pizz.

arco

mf

ff

12

12

mp

ff

mp

ff

16

16

p

ff

fp

ff

20

20

mp

mf

f

f

24

mf *p*

28

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

32

f *ff* *fff* *arco* *pizz.*

36

ff *f* *arco*

40

pp *mf* *f* *pizz.* *arco* *mf* *f*

Detailed description: This musical score consists of five systems of piano music, each with a treble and bass staff. The first system (measures 24-27) features a treble staff with sixteenth-note runs and a bass staff with sustained notes and a crescendo. The second system (measures 28-31) includes triplets and a pizzicato section in the bass. The third system (measures 32-35) shows increasing dynamics from *f* to *fff* with various articulations. The fourth system (measures 36-39) continues with *ff* and *f* dynamics, incorporating arco and pizzicato. The fifth system (measures 40-43) starts with *pp* and builds to *f* dynamics, also using arco and pizzicato. The score includes various time signatures (4/4, 3/4, 6/8, 7/8, 2/4) and dynamic markings such as *mf*, *p*, *mp*, *f*, *ff*, *fff*, *pp*, *arco*, and *pizz.*.

45

mf *p* *p*

50

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

54

arco *p* *mp* *ff* *ff*

59

p *mp* *mp* *mf*

64

f *ff* *ff*

69

Measures 69-73. Treble and bass staves. Dynamics: *mf*, *mp*, *p*, *f*. Time signatures: 3/4, 2/4, 3/4, 2/4, 3/4. Includes slurs and accents.

74

Measures 74-79. Treble and bass staves. Dynamics: *p*, *mp*, *mf*. Time signatures: 6/8, 3/4, 3/8, 2/4, 3/8, 12/8. Includes slurs and accents.

80

Measures 80-84. Treble and bass staves. Dynamics: *f*, *mp*, *mf*. Time signatures: 12/8, 3/4, 3/8, 3/4, 3/4. Includes slurs, accents, and a second ending bracket labeled "II.".

85

Measures 85-89. Treble and bass staves. Dynamics: *mf*, *p*. Time signatures: 3/4, 3/8, 4/4, 2/4, 3/8. Includes slurs, accents, a triplet in measure 86, and a quintuplet in measure 89. The bass staff has a "pizz." marking in measure 87.

90

Measures 90-94. Treble and bass staves. Dynamics: *gliss.*, *arco*. Time signatures: 3/8, 6/8, 3/8, 6/8, 3/4. Includes slurs and accents.

95

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

pizz. *arco*

mp *mf* *mp* *p*

100

f *ff*

f *ff*

104

mp *p* *p*

pizz. *arco*

109

mp *mf* *f* *p subito*

mp *mf* *f*

114

pp *mf* *ff*

p *pp* *mf* *ff*

120

125

129

134

139

144

3

mp *p*

149

sul pont.

adrift, searching

ord.

mf *mp* *p*

(ord.)

sul pont.

ord. I.

3

mf *p*

154

mp *mf* *f*

mp *mf*

$\text{♩} = \text{♩} = 60$

5

pp

158

3

mp *mf* *ff* *pp*

pp *ppp*

II.

sul pont.

pp *ppp*

162

3

mf *f*

3

mf

165

ff *ord.* *mf* *ff* 3 3 3 3

168

mf 5 3 *p* *sul pont.* *ord.* *sul pont.*

173

pp *sul tasto* 3 *mp* *ord.* *sul pont.* *ord.* *sul pont.* *ord.*

178

p 3 5 *sul pont.* *ord.* *sul pont.* *ord.*

182

mp 3 5 *mf* *sul pont.* *ord.* *sul pont.*

185

espress.

p

p

ord.

188

fff

fff

3

191

mf

mf

196

IV. sul pont.

p

pizz.

f

mf

mp

arco

pp

201

(sul pont.)

206

p *mf* *mp* *mp*

like a prayer

$\text{♩} = 58$ ($\text{♩} = 116$)

ord. non vibrato

210

freely
pizz. *mf* *rit....* *mp*

arco non vibrato

213

mf *p* *pp* *pp* *pp* *pp* *pp*

espressivo

219

mf *espressivo* *mf*

224

p *mf* *mf* *mf*

229

mp *p* *mf* *p*

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

234

f *ff* no dim!

ff

238

(non vibrato) *pp* (non vibrato) *pp*

mf *pp*

243

(ord.) *mf* *p*

(ord.) *p* *mf* *p*

247

mp *p*

mp *p*