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Summary:

The action takes place at a sacred Shrine of the Clouds between Montserrat and Mount Kailash. Act I is in the Pilgrims' Hostel in the early evening. Act II takes place the following morning, in the Labyrinth of high walls trellised in roses.

Norman Gykson, disappointed lover and heir to a multimillion dollar software business, has decided to give his fortune to the Order of Clouds and become a monk. His friend, Phil Norman, has accompanied him to the monastery, where he hopes that the rigorous two-year novitiate, now drawing to a close, will dissuade his friend. As the first scene opens, Norman returns to the hostel following his final day of testing by the Guestmaster of the Order. As Norman tells Phil about the battery of tests he has taken, a young American pilgrim and actress, Ipsama Cole, and her younger sister, Dolama, enter the lobby. Norman is immediately infatuated with Ipsi, who seems so much like himself in her appearance, serious religious intention, dietary regime, and interest in technology. Phil persuades Dolama to ask her sister to encourage his friend. Norman's feelings for Ipsi make him even more undecided about his prospective vocation and the complete renunciation it requires.

As Act II opens, Norman walks the Labyrinth in the early morning. As he meditates at one of the shrines, he hears Dolama and Phil, in the next aisle, talking about their conspiracy to interest him in Ipsi. He rounds the corner to confront them. Before Norman can reveal that he has heard their conversation, the three of them hear Ipsi and the Guestmaster talking in another aisle. Ipsi reports to the Guestmaster that Norman is now in love with her, according to his plan for the final ordeal of Norman's novitiate. Because Norman has not acted on his attraction to Ipsi, says the Master, he may now enter the Order of the Clouds. Hearing this, however, Norman no longer wants to join the Order. Deceived by the Guestmaster, humiliated by Ipsi, betrayed by his friend, he wants nothing to do with any of them. Phil tells him that his indecision about renunciation was



*. . . sharing all lines and the quilted cover
of the Earth, now surveyed,
waiting to be remade.*

—*FRAMESHIFTS* (vol.2, p.376)
(Quilt design by Mary Hobson)

AFTERWORD

Annunciations surround us. Attention to them reveals patterns in the world around us and inside us. Attention is always rewarded, but annunciations come on their own terms. Mary did not make a deal with Gabriel. Newton did not select his own spectrum. Proper attention requires the proper frame of reference. You do not watch the *chola* cactus grow without yourself slowing down. You don't see through the *sipapu* hole in the floor of a *kiva* without knowing that the character of the world can change so much that only a few survivors may rise into the new reality—the new frameshift.

My writing and music is about accepting annunciations, changing your frame of reference, and crossing thresholds into new realities. We cross thresholds at a child's birth and coming of age, at the death of a loved one, and in other moments of insight and

sacred encounter. *Annunciations*, my first musical work, was an oratorio about the angel's message to Mary. In my works, annunciations come in many forms: a crocodile's warning (*The Queen and the Crocodile*); a child's disappearance (*Shura*), a tattoo (*Hidden Moves and Hidden Faces*), a frequency distribution (*Spearpoints Bright*, second story in *FRAMESHIFTS*), a veteran's memories (*Amber*, a chamber opera), and even a virus that seems to have a message for its hosts (in the second volume of *FRAMESHIFTS*).

Sometimes nature's annunciations must be mediated, as when James Hansen explained the frameshift of climate change to a Congressional committee or when Bill McKibben wrote his book, *Eaarth*—giving a new name to our altered planet. In *Marking Time*, a memoir, my reflections are mediated by the mountains, wildlife, and people of New Mexico, where I lived as an adolescent. Avery Crawley, the weather-prophet in *FRAMESHIFTS*, comments on the way things and places seem to hold our memories:

**In some way, railing and cloud could be trusted;
They kept his memories, as did Ark and Salvage Yard.
These and his museums and Foxglove Center
Were his vessels for such memories . . .**

Returning to New Mexico after more than forty years, I found that many places and objects still held memories. Annunciations surrounded me. Perhaps, like the teepee stone formations of Cochiti, the annunciations had been there all along. The poet Basho wrote:

**Stillness—
soaking into the rocks,
the cicada's cries.**

Were so many annunciations soaked up by the desert during forty years, or was I finally quiet enough to hear them?

—*Richard L. Rose*



Other works by Richard L. Rose:

FRAMESHIFTS? *Two volumes? What is it?*

It is literary fiction made of multiple genres united by theme and character. At first glance, it appears to be a story collection, beginning with a mystery; but look at the back and you find a philosophical poem. Between the covers are mysteries, suspense stories, literary fiction, science fiction, love stories, fictional memoirs and letters, adventure stories, dramatic dialogues, and a section of poetic narrative made of dozens of forms—sestinas, sonnets, *terza rima*, *droeg-kvaet*, prose poems, ballads.

One may read the stories and poems in any sequence, but as one reads, a novel emerges. Its narrative concerns a fictional community in Northern Virginia from the current time to a disturbing future of climatic and social upheavals. Both volumes are listed on Amazon in hard copy and in Kindle versions. Rose's book blog is <http://www.frameshifts.com>. To find or add to the reviews on Amazon, look for *Frameshifts* by Richard L. Rose. A sample of *Frameshifts*, the mystery story *Death Wears A Tricorn*, is also available in multiple ebook platforms.

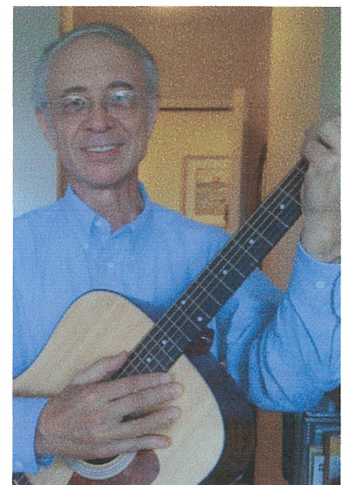
MARGINAL NOTES. Words and music, collected with personal papers, are on the website marginalnotesinwordsandmusic.org. Here find reference to the set of operas—*Annunciations*, *Amber*, *The People's Voice*, *The Books of Daniel*, *La Rinuncia*, and *The Profit of Doom*—as well as other works and information, including the sequel to *Frameshifts*, entitled *Hidden Moves and Hidden Faces* and information about works in progress, such as *Floats and Sinkers*, a poetry collection, *Marking Time*, a poetic memoir, and *The Fisher of the James*, a solo work retelling a Grimm Brothers' fairy tale about always wanting more than we have.

About Richard L. Rose

Richard L. Rose has retired from several careers, including teaching, medical laboratory work, environmental education and research, math and science supervision, and teaching science and science teaching methods in public schools and universities. After growing up “on the road” with a military family, described in the memoir *Marking Time*, he settled in Northern Virginia with his wife to raise two sons and follow his vocation of teaching and avocations of writing and musical composition.

Since retiring, he has produced a poetry collection, *Floats and Sinkers*, and a set of chamber operas, *Annunciations*, *The Books of Daniel*, *Amber*, *The People’s Voice*, and *The Profit of Doom*. Following his wife's death and beginning a second marriage, he composed *La Rinuncia* and self-published the novel, *FRAMESHIFTS*, in 2011. All but the last of the operas were benefit concerts for groups like Amnesty, Habitat, and local charities. Another musical work, *The Fisher of the James*, on environmental concerns, and a set of stories, *Hidden Moves and Hidden Faces*, come from living in Richmond. The book and other projects are described on his website marginalnotesinwordsandmusic.org and book blog site, <http://www.frameshifts.com>. In his spare time, he collects rejection slips.

Recurrent themes are the transience of our lives and habitat and an insistence that we find effective ways to attend to this fact. By producing benefit concerts, reducing royalties, and recommending nonprofit organizations worthy of their attention, he invites readers to make their own creative responses. Perhaps readers of *FRAMESHIFTS* will be inspired to imagine and accomplish something positive for their communities. In writing, however, his intention is simply to tell a good story with interesting characters in surprising situations.



Libretto

PRELUDE

ACT I, SCENE 1.1 *During the prelude, the Shrine of the Clouds appears onstage as the sun sets behind nearby mountains and attendants light candles in the lobby of the Pilgrims' Hostel. The rising moon is visible through the large windows.*

ACT I, SCENE 1.2:

Phil and Norman enter the lobby of the Pilgrims' Hostel at the Shrine of the Clouds.

Phil: So many questions—

Norm: And now they're over.

Phil: They kept you day after day.

Norm: He must be certain.

Phil: *You* must be certain.

Norm: Now only another day—

Phil: To give yourself away!

Norm: So many questions—

Phil: So much to cover:

Norm: What caused my parents to drift—

Phil: What do you dream of—

Norm: Why am I making such a gift?

Phil: What secret urges,

Norm: Obsessive thoughts, self-purges—

Phil: Or secret lovers—

		occupy your time.
Norm		occupy my time.

And then he gave me—

Phil: The Master?

Norm: *another* batt'ry!

Phil: He handles your mental domain.

Norm: My psychosocial grip—

Phil: And every Freudian slip.

What was it today?

Norm: He said, "Imagine that you could find the perfect mate.

Describe her to me." Though I protested, he was firm.

I said, "I guess we would share in every trait—

Hopes, loves, yearnings.

Ipsama and her sister enter the lobby. Ipsama wears a novice's robe, like Norman's. Like him, she also carries a small black book, like a missal. Like him, she wears heavy, dark glasses, carries a key pad, and has another electronic device plugged into her ear. He speaks to Phil, but looks only at Ipsi. Phil and Dolama watch the other couple and then stare at each other.

We'd share a vision,

A common discipline, and mission;

Support each other,

Eat raw foods and butter—

Ipsama takes a carrot from her robe and takes a bite.

Drink filtered water,

Gaze at the moon—

Ipsama drinks bottled water as she stands at the window, looking at the moon. The chime sounds, calling the religious to prayer.

Perhaps, she—

Would even chant, as I do now,

"Not It, but Thou."

She stands behind a column. He moves to see her.

ACT 1, SCENE 1.3:

On their way to prayers at the Shrine, a line of religious, chanting "Not It, but Thou," passes through the lobby. Ipsama joins their chant.

ACT 1, SCENE 1.4:

Norman struggles to keep his eyes off Ipsi.

Norm: That life is over, that life of flash and flow.

Phil: Life stopped two years ago.

Norm: That life of grasping, earning, wanting, yearning.

The bliss I seek is losing self and wanting.

Phil: The Master liked that, I guess.

Norm: He said, "That's fine. May you discern

What you must learn

To use what you must lose."

Phil: Or else stay confused. (*He points to himself.*)

Norm: Again he said, "Describe her."

I said again, "In every way, like branch and leaf, like grapes and vine,

We'd hold each other, my heart in hers and hers in mine.

We'd keep a daily office, hear each other's prayer."

Phil: (*aside*) Perhaps *she* is the answer.

Norm: Anchored in each other,

Together, we'd be one."

Ipsi exits.

ACT I, SCENE 2.1

Norm: Then the Master said that I could go.

Training's ended, and my apprenticeship.

Phil: (*aside*) And our relationship.

Norm: Now I go to meditate and pray.

Phil: (*aside, looking at Dolama*) I think an answer's on the way.

Norman exits.

Pardon me, you are Americans and pilgrims?

Dol.: Ipsi's the pilgrim. It's her show.

I'm the audience. She's the show.

Ever since she danced on our dresser

And pranced as Beauty Queen,

I have been the audience.

She's the star of ev'ry scene.

|It's her show.

Phil: |It's her show.

Dol.: Are you a pilgrim?

Phil: Oh no, not me!

Dol.: Through all her boyfriends and husbands,
I've been her claqueur and confessor.
Her latest role's the Holy Sister.
Expenses paid, so why resist her?
Play pious pilgrim, take the bows:
My Ipsi's part, though short on vows,
Is long on head-shots and applause.
She even gave the Master pause.

Dolama looks Phil over.

You're not a pilgrim?

Phil: No, my friend's a novice, Norman Gykson,*
Of Gykson Software.

She nods.

You know the name?

Dol.: I know the name: Tables that set themselves,
Phil nods.

Phil: Floor-lamps that talk.
Millions he made in many ventures
Now fund his questing and adventures.

Dol.: He wants to be a monk?

Phil: This year.
He's been an herbalist, investment banker;
He even traveled on a tanker,
And was a husband.

Restless for devotion.

Dol.: |Restless for devotion.
|Restless for devotion

* Pronounced "geeksun."

Phil: He lived in igloos and yurts,
Left behind his suits and shirts,
To live the life of the mind,
And even was a father.
He also left that behind.
Restless for devotion.

Dol.: I'm sure he lost that notion.

Phil: Restless for devotion,
It didn't last a year.

Dol.: Perhaps he came too near

Phil: |to devotion.
|to devotion.

Dol.: And you?

Phil: His friend since childhood.

Dol.: You're his audience. *Phil nods.*

Phil: Two years he's been here
Trying to give it all away,
So he can give himself away.

Dol.: Restless

Phil: |for devotion.
|for devotion

But the Guestmaster doesn't let him.

Dol.: You know the Master?

Phil: Norman sees him ev'ry day.
Why, I could never say.

Dol.: Ipsi sees him ev'ry day.

Phil: |Why, I could never say.
|Why, I could never say.

We shadow greatness,
Their large lives and restlessness:
You and I, you and I.

Both: While they are rising,
We're compromising,
But, if in each other,
They find what they're after,

Dol.: We could be free.

|We could be free.

Phil: |We could be free.

You and me.

Dol.: You and me
Sainthood in making
Is slow in baking.

Phil: But raise the heat!

Dol.: Yes,

|Raise the heat!

Phil: |Raise the heat!

Surrender, devotion,
And loving emotion

Dol.: Require some heat.

|Require heat!

Phil: |Require heat!

If, from their shadows,
We guide them together—
You and I,

|You and I.

Dol.: |You and I.

Both: They'll warm to each other
And we will be free.
You and me.
You and me.

ACT I, SCENE 3.1

In the chapel, Norman prays with other novices members of the Order.

All: Not it, but Thou.

Master: In perfect union, leave all inquiring,
Leave all desiring behind.
Know nothing worldly.
Drive greed, self-promoting,
Grasping, and wanting
Far from your mind.

Norm.(*and other novices*):

I've been enough that me.
He wandered from my name.
His living used my holy flame.
I've been enough that me.

Norm.: |I've been enough that me.
|Release him. Leave me none.
|And being none,
|I'll be at one
|With all that's said to last.
|I've been enough that me.

Chor.: |Not It, but Thou.

All exit except for Norman. Ipsi, unseen by Norman, stands upstage right. Unseen by Ipsi or Norman, Dolama watches both of them from upstage left.

Norm.: That me—that me...
And yet,
Yet, in a moment,
In just a glance at her face,
All of my plans vanished away.
A perfect union would take my all—
Which I no longer possess
Now that I've seen her face.
Like a flawless program code, so serene,

She turns me 'round as if a ship at sea.
The divine life I came here to seek
Was given in a moment in her face.
In just a moment, I learned more
Than two years of chanting and praying and study could teach.
The life of calm order I've sought for is now in my reach.

But now, I've seen her.
As if dreaming, I have seen her.
She meets ev'ry spec.
I detailed ev'ry flow, constraint, and purpose.
She passed ev'ry check.
Ideal form, somehow now a real form,
Like an empty heart, now fills and beats.
I've seen her.
As if dreaming, I have seen her,
But we must not meet.

Norman exits stage right. Ipsi comes center stage. Her voice draws Norman back onstage, but he does not approach her.

Ipsi: The divine road,
 Like a well-defined code,
 Dispels ev'ry doubt;
 Secure, ev'ry moment, ev'ry meeting,
 Within and without.
 I saw him, only for a moment.
 A moment,
 We were isomorphic
 As programmed co-events.
 We're brought here for this special moment

All happened as was meant.

Norman almost goes to her, but restrains himself, and exits. Ipsi exits stage left. Dolama exits last, and the curtain goes down on the first Act.

ACT 2, PRELUDE

The curtain rises on the Labyrinth, a maze with tall rose hedges between the paths. Three parallel paths open downstage, visible to the audience but not visible to the players walking on them, who only see their own aisles. Lighting during the Prelude portrays dawn and a small cloudburst. Norman, covering his head during the shower, is walking in the aisle on stage left. Later in the Act, Dolama and Phil come down the middle aisle and the Guestmaster and Ipsi come down the aisle on stage right. Norman appears as a dark figure far upstage at the end of the aisle, his head covered during the downpour. He slowly walks downstage. Norman uncovers his head as the Prelude ends and the lights come up.

ACT 2, SCENE 1.1

Norm.: Dawn, and vigil's end,
 Droplets hang from branches.
 Shall I lose love again?
 Love—if it is love.

Gone are wind and rain:
Time for making choices.
I hear so many voices—
Some distant, some at hand.
So many paths and choices:
Who shall command?

To sacrifice—to know the price—
I should be mine, but I am not my own.
I seem to be a thing combined

Of dreams and aspirations,
And flaws, in iterations
Like bad code.
Which path? Which road?

ACT II, SCENE 2

Dolama brings Phil down the middle aisle of the Labyrinth. Norman listens from the other side of the hedge.

Dol.: Who knows where the path goes?
Phil: Can we stop here now?
Dol.: Yes, we're close enough now,
Like bees lost in a rose.
Phil: Alone enough for you?
Dol.: *(She nods, moving closer to him.)*
For what I want to do.
Phil: So, tell me what they said.
Dol.: Ipsi and the geek—
Phil: Norman, my . . . friend.
Dol.: Oh, that! Well, Ipsi fell.
Phil: And he fell for her?
Dol.: And I fell for—
She touches his arm. He backs away.
Phil: You took her to prayers?
Dol.: As you said to—
Norman says, "Oh!"
Dol.: What's that?
Phil: Perhaps it's your bees.
Dol.: Lost in the scent.
Phil: And after the monks went?
Dol.: Norman stayed behind.
Phil.: As usual.

He's wrestling, always restless to find—
Dol.: Someone—
Phil: Or something
 |for his devotion.
Dol.: |for his devotion.
Phil: He wrestles with himself,
 Keeps vigil through the night,
 To find a worthy aim—
Dol.: Or worthy one—
Phil: Whom he can give everything.
 Everything.
Dol.: But always he returns
 To the chatter in his mind,
 Where so little passion burns.
 But maybe, with Ipsi
 He's fin'ly found his path to love.
Phil.: No string to follow out,
 He wrestles in his dreams
 But stays . . .
Dol.: He seeks to lose himself
 But stays within his mental maze.
Phil: If he loves her, then our way is clear.
Dol.: They fit like two cogs in a gear.
 The chanting monks filed out,
 And Ipsi matched her prayer to his:
 Two dweebs checking off their specs
 Like a stock clerk and mechanic.
Phil: What did Norman do?
Dol.: Froze, then ran away.
Phil.: Then he loves her.

Phil.: |And we can return to Pittsburgh and recover.
Dol.: |This is a sign. This is a token. *(She pauses.)* Pittsburgh?

Phil: As we have before.
Dol.: As you have before?
Phil: Norman and I will be as we were before.
Dol.: You've done all this before?
Phil: Her absence will convince him.
Dol.: Nothing? Nothing?
Phil: |There is nothing more
Dol.: |No word or token? There is nothing more?

ACT II, SCENE 3 FINALE

Norman comes around the corner of the hedge to confront Phil and Dolama.

Norm.: What kind of friend—
Phil: Norman—
Dol.: Nothing more? Like it was before.
Phil: Norman.
Norm.: What kind of friend?

They hear the Guestmaster in the next aisle.

Master: Seek perfect union.
Phil: The master!
Norm.: There will be no union.
Dol.: As we were before, there is nothing more.
Master: |Seek nothing more.
Phil: |Norman, can't you see? Nothing more?
Norm.: |Not here, not with you: Nothing more.
Dol.: |Nothing more.

The three players in the middle aisle are all surprised to hear Ipsi join the Master.

Ipsi: Here I am, Master, as you bid me.
Phil: |Ipsi!
Norm.: |Ipsi!
Dol.: |Ipsi!
Master: |Ipsi,
Come, my child, and report.

Ipsi: As we rehearsed it, I performed it.
I used ev'ry line.
I think it was one of my best shows.
One of my best shows.

Master: And no one knows?

Ipsi: Not even my sister.

Master: What did the novice do?

Ipsi: He wanted me, but he fled me.

Master: Then his ordeal has ended:
Desiring and inquiring done,
Leaving quiet behind.
He must not see you again. Are you ready?

Ipsi: We're packed and ready.
I've a booking in Scranton.
Not so sweet a gig as this one,
But it's so isolated here.
I need my cell phone and my daily soaps.

Master: He must not see you again.

Ipsi: No problem! He doesn't interest me.
Those techie types will push you in some moldy routine.
No fun there!
I like to move from scene to scene.

Dol.: (*aside*) |And Ipsi always must be seen.

Master: |You must not be seen.

Dolama, Phil, and Norman come around the hedge to confront the Master and Ipsi, center stage.

Dol.: |Ipsi, take your bows!

Phil: |Norman takes no vows!

Norm.: To whom would I make them?

Norman turns to each of them.

A faithless friend?

A false guide?

A face that's just a mask?

My specifications were all met

In two, deep brown eyes.

These, and friendship,

And sage ministrations

Are only betrayals and lies.

Norm.: Though you want to be sure
 Your intentions are pure,
 You should think twice
 About sacrifice.
 To give up what you love
 For some promise above
 Is to pay a dangerous price.

For the argument's slim,
Too cock-eyed for a shim;
Love is giving,
Not sacrifice.

You think the divine path is renunciation,
But, for me, it's acceptance of our situation:

What if I lose all prospects?
What if some people talk?
You are the one I longed for.
You are the path I walked.

Dol.: (*She looks at Phil, then turns away.*)

He was the one I'd hoped for,
To live, and love, and be free.
Now all's the same as before.
This always happens to me.

Master: It is ever thus with love:
Thou, not it or me.
Thou, only Thou,
Here, and above;
Beyond all we know and see.

Ipsi: (*pointing to the gate out of the Labyrinth*)

What is all this chatter about paths and knowing?
There is the exit. It is time to be going.

She opens to gate and beckons Dolama. Norman looks at her and turns away.

Norm.: I should have stayed with machine code.
No vows required, only rules.

Master: Not It, but Thou:

Norm.: No hyperlink ever betrayed me.

Dol.: |He was the one.

Phil.: |You were the one.

Master: |Perfect union.

Norm.: No pixel ever made me a fool.

He watches Ipsi and Dolama go through the gate.

|I've seen her. Here ends my path to knowing.
Both sisters: |Sister, here's the exit. Now it's time to be going.
Master: |Thou, beyond all knowing.
Phil: |You were the path I walked to knowing.

The sisters and Master exit.

Phil: As you struggled to give,
You forgot how to live.

It's really quite simple, my dear.
Giving over to love,
You forget what's above.
It's enough that your loved one be near.

Norman turns away from Phil and stares into the Labyrinth.

You are the one I longed for.
You are the path I walked.
Now, for your sake, I leave you,
Renounce you to let you grow.

Will it be now or tomorrow?
When you find love, you will know.
What seems sacrifice to others
Is joy and food and drink.
Follow the path you long for.
Don't care what others think.

Norman re-enters the Labyrinth and disappears. The lights begin to dim.

You were the one I longed for.
You were the path I walked.

Phil watches Norman disappear, then turns back to the audience.

You were the one I longed for.
You were the path I walked.

He was the one I longed for.
He was the path I walked.

Lights out. Curtain.

FINE

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Summary

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Norman Gykson, disappointed lover and founder of a multimillion dollar software business, has decided to give his fortune to the Order of Clouds and become a monk. His friend, Phil Norman, has accompanied him to the monastery, where he hopes that the rigorous two-year novitiate, now drawing to a close, will dissuade his friend. As the first scene opens, Norman returns to the hostel after his final day of testing by the Guestmaster of the Order. As Norman tells Phil about the battery of tests he has taken, a young American pilgrim and actress, Ipsama Cole, and her younger sister, Dolama, enter the lobby. Norman is immediately infatuated with Ipsi, who seems so much like himself in her appearance, serious religious intention, dietary regime, and interest in technology. Phil persuades Dolama to ask her sister to encourage his friend. Norman's feelings for Ipsi make him even more undecided about his prospective vocation and the complete renunciation it requires.

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Characters

Norman Gykson	(Baritono, A2-D4) Software Businessman, Novice in the Order of Clouds
Phil Norman	(Tenore, C3-G4) Norman's business colleague and friend
The Guestmaster of the Order of Clouds	(Basso, C2-C4) Norman's spiritual guide
Ipsama Cole	(Soprano, C4-G5) Actress
Dolama Cole	(Mezzo-soprano, A3-C5) Younger sister of Ipsama
Chorus of the religious from the Shrine of the Clouds	

PRELUDE



During the prelude, The Shrine of the Clouds appears onstage as the sun sets behind nearby mountains and attendants light candles in the lobby of the Pilgrims' Hostel. The rising moon is visible through large windows.

The musical score for Prelude 2 consists of 15 measures, organized into four systems. The key signature has four flats (B-flat major or D-flat minor). The notation includes treble and bass staves with various musical symbols such as notes, rests, and dynamic markings.

- Measure 4:** Treble staff has a half note G4. Bass staff has a half note B-flat3.
- Measure 5:** Treble staff has a half note A4. Bass staff has a half note C4. Dynamic marking: *mp*.
- Measure 6:** Treble staff has a half note B4. Bass staff has a half note D4. Dynamic marking: *mp*.
- Measure 7:** Treble staff has a half note C5. Bass staff has a half note E4. Dynamic marking: *p*.
- Measure 8:** Treble staff has a half note D5. Bass staff has a half note F4. Dynamic marking: *p*.
- Measure 9:** Treble staff has a half note E5. Bass staff has a half note G4. Dynamic marking: *p*.
- Measure 10:** Treble staff has a half note F5. Bass staff has a half note A4. Dynamic marking: *mp*.
- Measure 11:** Treble staff has a half note G5. Bass staff has a half note B-flat4. Dynamic marking: *mp*.
- Measure 12:** Treble staff has a half note A5. Bass staff has a half note C5. Dynamic marking: *p*.
- Measure 13:** Treble staff has a half note B5. Bass staff has a half note D5. Dynamic marking: *pp*.
- Measure 14:** Treble staff has a half note C6. Bass staff has a half note E5. Dynamic marking: *pp*.
- Measure 15:** Treble staff has a half note D6. Bass staff has a half note F5. Dynamic marking: *pp*.

16 *mf*

17

18

19 *pp*

20

21 *p*

22

23 *mp*

24

25

26

27 *mf*

28 *decel.*

29 *poco*

30 *f*

31 *poco*

The musical score is written for piano in a key with three flats (B-flat, E-flat, A-flat) and a common time signature. It consists of five systems of two staves each. The first system (measures 16-18) features a melody in the right hand with a half-note rest in measure 16, and a bass line of eighth notes. The second system (measures 19-21) shows a half-note melody in the right hand and eighth notes in the left hand. The third system (measures 22-24) has a more active right-hand melody with eighth notes and rests, and a bass line of eighth notes. The fourth system (measures 25-27) continues the right-hand melody with eighth notes and rests, and a bass line of eighth notes. The fifth system (measures 28-31) begins with a deceleration and a half-note melody in the right hand, followed by a 'poco' section. Measures 30 and 31 feature a fortissimo (f) chord in the right hand and a bass line of eighth notes.

LR Act 1 Sc. 1.1 PRELUDE 4

32 33 34

35 36 37

38 39 40

41 42

43 44

poco a poco decresc.

p

The musical score is written for piano in a key with four flats (B-flat major or D-flat minor). It consists of five systems of two staves each. Measures 32-34: The right hand plays chords, and the left hand plays a rhythmic pattern of eighth notes. Measures 35-37: The right hand continues with chords, and the left hand plays a descending eighth-note scale. Measures 38-40: The right hand plays chords, and the left hand plays a rhythmic pattern of eighth notes. Measures 41-42: The right hand plays a melodic line with a crescendo hairpin, and the left hand plays a rhythmic pattern of eighth notes. Measures 43-44: The right hand plays a melodic line with a decrescendo hairpin, and the left hand plays a rhythmic pattern of eighth notes. The score ends with a double bar line at measure 44.

45 46

Phil and Norman enter the lobby of the Pilgrims' Hostel.

MM=120
47 *mp* *agitato* 48

49 50 *senza*

La Rinuncia

Act 1 Scene 1.2

MM=80

Richard Rose

Phil

Norman

Piano/Orch

2

3

So man-y ques - tions!

4

5

6

He kept you day af - ter day.

And now they're o - ver.

8

9

You must be cer - tain.

He must be cer - tain.

Now on - ly

3 3

The musical score is written for a voice and piano. It consists of three systems of music, each with three measures. The key signature has three flats (B-flat, E-flat, A-flat), and the time signature is 8/8. The vocal line is in the upper staff of each system, and the piano accompaniment is in the lower staves.

System 1 (Measures 10-12):

- Measure 10: Vocal line has a whole rest. Piano accompaniment features a continuous eighth-note pattern in the right hand and a quarter-note pattern in the left hand.
- Measure 11: Vocal line has a whole rest. Piano accompaniment continues with the same patterns.
- Measure 12: Vocal line has the lyrics "To give your - self -". Piano accompaniment continues.

System 2 (Measures 13-15):

- Measure 13: Vocal line has a whole rest. Piano accompaniment continues.
- Measure 14: Vocal line has the lyrics "a - way.". Piano accompaniment features a sustained chord in the right hand and a quarter-note pattern in the left hand.
- Measure 15: Vocal line has a whole rest. Piano accompaniment continues.

System 3 (Measures 16-18):

- Measure 16: Vocal line has the lyrics "So man - y ques - tions.". Piano accompaniment continues.
- Measure 17: Vocal line has the lyrics "So much to co - ver.". Piano accompaniment continues.
- Measure 18: Vocal line has the lyrics "What caused my par - ents". Piano accompaniment features a triplet of eighth notes in the right hand and a quarter-note pattern in the left hand.

19 20 21

What do you dream of?

to drift

22 23 24

Why am I making such a gift?

What

25 26

se - cret ur - ges

Ob - ses - sive thoughts, self -

27 Or - what se-cret lo-vers oc - cu - py your time?

28 pur-ges oc - cu - py my time

30

31 *mp*

32

33

34 The mas - ter?

35

And then he gave me a - noth - er batt' - ry.

The musical score is written for voice and piano. The key signature has four flats (B-flat, E-flat, A-flat, D-flat), and the time signature is 8/8. The score is divided into three systems. The first system (measures 27-29) features a vocal line with lyrics and a piano accompaniment. The second system (measures 30-32) shows the piano part continuing with triplets and a mezzo-piano (*mp*) dynamic marking. The third system (measures 33-35) returns to the vocal line with lyrics and piano accompaniment, including triplets in the piano part.

36 37 38

He han - dles your men - tal do - main

My psy - cho -

39 40 41

And ev' - ry Freud - ian slip.

so - cial grip.

pp

MM=60

42 43

What ³ was it to - day?

pp *ritardando*

44 45

He said, "I - ma - gine That you could find the

a tempo

46 47

per - fect mate.

48 49 50

Des - cribe her to me." Though I pro - test - ed, He was

51 52

firm. I said, "I guess we would

53 54 55

share in ev' - ry trait - Hopes, loves,

Ipsama and Dolama enter the lobby. Ipsama wears a novice's robe, like Norman's. Like him, she also carries a small black book, like a missal. Like him, she wears heavy, dark glasses, carries a keypad, and has another electronic device plugged into her ear. He speaks to Phil, but looks only at Ip. Phil and Dolama watch the other couple and then stare at each other. .

56 57 58

yearn - ings. We'd share a

mf

59 60 61

vi - sion, A com - mon dis - ci - pline & mis - sion,

62 63

- sup - port each oth - er, Eat raw foods and but - ter,

Ipsama takes a carrot from her robe and takes a bite.

64 65 66

Drink fil - tered wa - ter, Gaze at the moon.

Ipsama drinks bottled water as she stands at the window, gazing at the moon.

67 68 69

Per - haps she

Shanai plays the Call to Meditation.

70 71 72

would e - ven chant, As I do now,

73 74

"Not It, But Thou."

ritardando *senza pausa*

La Rinuncia

Act 1 Scene 1.3

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Richard L. Rose

On their way to prayers at the Shrine, a line of religious, chanting "Not It, But Thc
passes through the lobby. Ipsi joins their chant.

Grave (MM=40)

Ipsama (Sop)

Chanters

Guestmaster

p THOU NOT

p THOU, THOU,

5 6

NOT IT. THOU,

7 *mf* THOU 8 *p* THOU - NOT - 9 *mp* NOT -

10 *p* IT. 11 *p* IT. 12 *p* IT. THOU, THOU,

13 14 15 16

ppp

NOT IT.

La Rinuncia

Act I Scene 1.4

MM=72

Richard L. Rose

Phil

Norman

Orch.

8^{va}

p

2 3

This musical score block contains the first three measures of a scene. It features three staves: Phil (soprano), Norman (soprano), and Orch. (orchestra). The key signature is B-flat major (two flats) and the time signature is 4/4. The tempo is marked MM=72. The Phil and Norman staves show rests for measures 1 and 2, and a whole note in measure 3. The Orch. staff shows a piano (*p*) accompaniment. The upper staff of the orchestra has a melodic line with eighth and sixteenth notes, marked with an 8^{va} (octave up) instruction. The lower staff of the orchestra has a bass line with whole notes. Measure numbers 2 and 3 are indicated above the Phil staff.

Norman struggles to keep his eyes off Ipsi.

4 5 6

mp

That life is o - ver,

This musical score block contains measures 4 through 6. It features the same three staves: Phil, Norman, and Orch. The Phil staff shows rests for measures 4 and 5, and a whole note in measure 6. The Norman staff shows rests for measures 4 and 5, and a melodic line starting in measure 6 with the lyrics "That life is o - ver,". The Orch. staff continues the piano accompaniment. Measure numbers 4, 5, and 6 are indicated above the Phil staff. The dynamic marking *mp* (mezzo-piano) is placed below the Norman staff in measure 6.

7 8 9

Life stopped two years a-go.

That life of flash and flow, *mf*

mp *p*

That life of

10 11 12

grasp - ing, earn - ing, want - ing yearn - ing The bliss I

mf *mp*

13 14 15

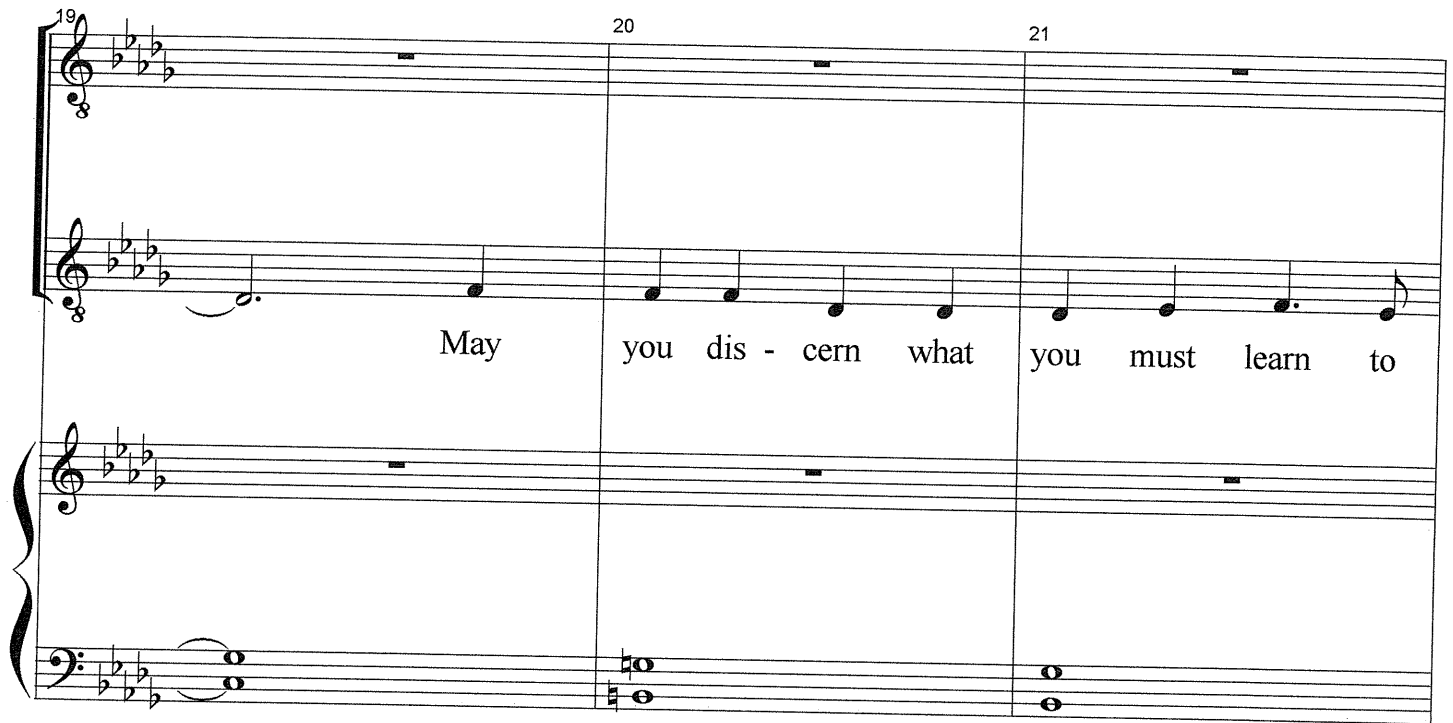
8 seek is los - ing self and want - ing.

16 17 18

8 The Mas ter liked that, I guess.

mf He said, "That's fine

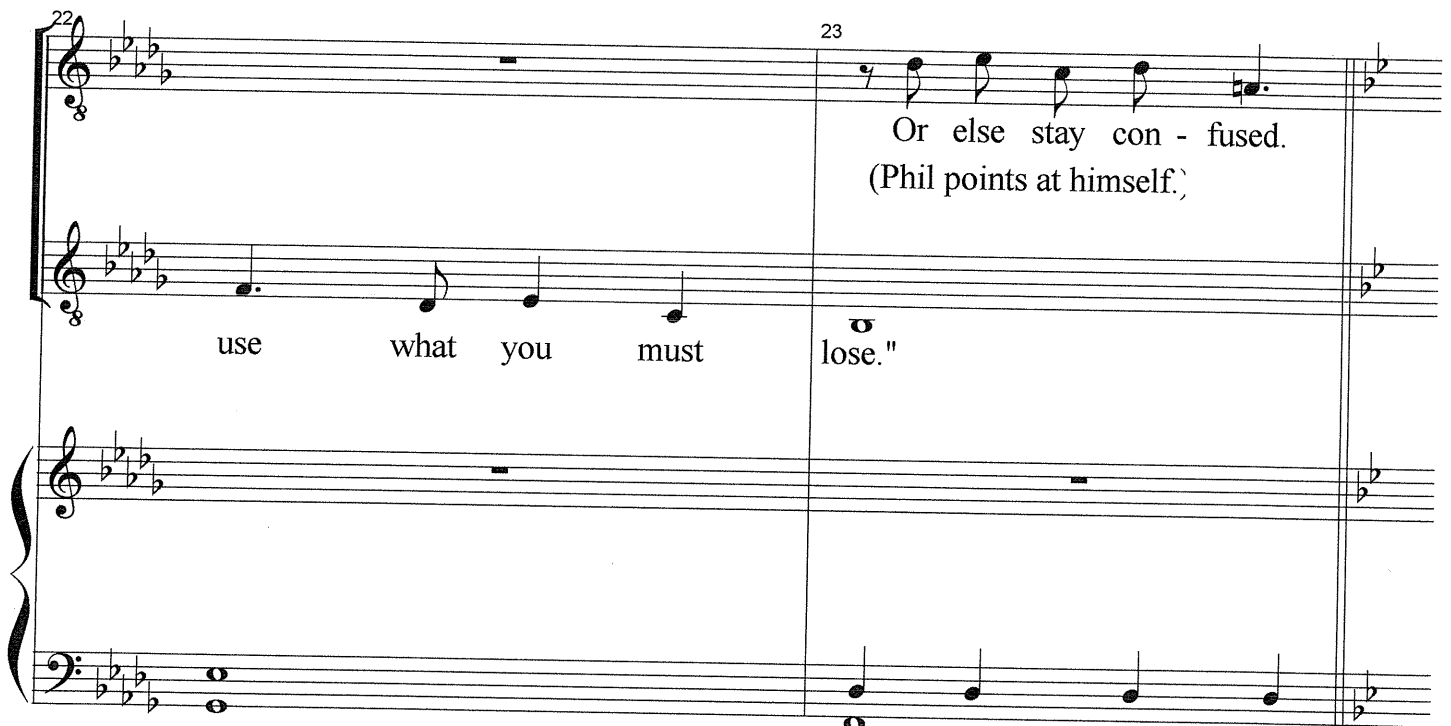
pp



19 20 21

May you dis - cern what you must learn to

This musical system covers measures 19, 20, and 21. It features a vocal line with lyrics and a piano accompaniment. The key signature has three flats (B-flat, E-flat, A-flat), and the time signature is 8/8. Measure 19 begins with a vocal line starting on a half note, followed by a quarter rest. The piano accompaniment consists of a half note chord in the left hand and a half note chord in the right hand. Measure 20 continues the vocal line with a quarter note, followed by a quarter rest. The piano accompaniment consists of a half note chord in the left hand and a half note chord in the right hand. Measure 21 continues the vocal line with a quarter note, followed by a quarter rest. The piano accompaniment consists of a half note chord in the left hand and a half note chord in the right hand.



22 23

use what you must lose."

Or else stay con - fused.
(Phil points at himself.)

This musical system covers measures 22 and 23. It features a vocal line with lyrics and a piano accompaniment. The key signature has three flats (B-flat, E-flat, A-flat), and the time signature is 8/8. Measure 22 begins with a vocal line starting on a half note, followed by a quarter rest. The piano accompaniment consists of a half note chord in the left hand and a half note chord in the right hand. Measure 23 continues the vocal line with a quarter note, followed by a quarter rest. The piano accompaniment consists of a half note chord in the left hand and a half note chord in the right hand.

24 25 26

Againhesaid "Des-cribeher." I said a - gain,

This musical system covers measures 24, 25, and 26. Measure 24 features a vocal line with a melodic phrase and a piano accompaniment. Measures 25 and 26 show the vocal line continuing with the lyrics "I said a - gain," while the piano accompaniment consists of sustained chords. The system concludes with a 3/4 time signature.

27 28 29

"In ev' ry way - - Like branch & leaf, Like grapes & wine

This musical system covers measures 27, 28, and 29. Measure 27 begins with a 3/4 time signature and contains the lyrics "In ev' ry way -". Measures 28 and 29 continue the vocal melody with the lyrics "Like branch & leaf, Like grapes & wine". The piano accompaniment provides a rhythmic and harmonic foundation throughout the system.

30 31 32

We'd hold each oth - er, my heart in hers and

33 34 35

hers in mine. We'd keep a dai - ly

36 37 38

Per - haps she is the an - swer.

of - fice, Hear each oth - er's pray'r An chored -

39 40 41

in each oth - er, To - geth er, we'd be

42 43 44

Ipsi exits.

one.

one.

45 46 47

8va

8va

This musical score is for a piece titled "La Rinuncia 1.4 p9". It is written for piano and consists of three systems of music, each with four measures. The key signature is B-flat major (two flats). The time signature is 3/4, indicated at the beginning of the first system and the second measure of the second system.

System 1 (Measures 48-51): The first system contains measures 48, 49, 50, and 51. Measures 48 and 49 are in 3/4 time. Measures 50 and 51 are in 3/4 time. The melody is primarily in the right hand, with some accompaniment in the left hand.

System 2 (Measures 52-55): The second system contains measures 52, 53, 54, and 55. Measures 52 and 53 are in 3/4 time. Measures 54 and 55 are in 3/4 time. The melody is primarily in the right hand, with some accompaniment in the left hand.

System 3 (Measures 56-59): The third system contains measures 56, 57, 58, and 59. Measures 56 and 57 are in 3/4 time. Measures 58 and 59 are in 3/4 time. The melody is primarily in the right hand, with some accompaniment in the left hand.

The score is written for piano, with a grand staff (treble and bass clefs) and a key signature of two flats. The time signature is 3/4. The piece consists of three systems of four measures each, totaling 12 measures. The melody is primarily in the right hand, with some accompaniment in the left hand.

La Rinuncia

Act 1 Scene 2.1

La Rinuncia 2.1, p.1

MM=100

Richard Ros

2 3

Dolama

Phil

Norman

mp Then the mas - ter said that I could go.

Piano

p

Cello

5 6

mf Train - ing's end - ed, And my ap - pren - tice - ship.

And our re -

pp

pp

Rose

The musical score is written for a vocal part and a piano accompaniment. It consists of two systems of staves, each with a vocal line and a piano line. The key signature has two flats (B-flat and E-flat), and the time signature is 8/8.

Measure 7: The vocal line begins with the lyrics "la - tion - ship." The piano accompaniment provides a harmonic foundation with chords and moving lines in both hands.

Measure 8: The vocal line continues with the lyrics "Now I go to". The piano accompaniment features a prominent chord in the right hand and a melodic line in the left hand.

Measure 9: The vocal line concludes the phrase with "med - i - tate and pray." The piano accompaniment continues with sustained chords and a rhythmic pattern in the left hand.

Measure 10: The vocal line begins with the word "pray." The piano accompaniment maintains the harmonic and rhythmic texture.

Measure 11: The vocal line contains the lyrics "I think an an - swer's on the". The piano accompaniment includes a dynamic marking of *p* (piano) in the right hand.

Measure 12: The vocal line ends with the word "way." The piano accompaniment concludes the phrase with sustained chords and a final melodic flourish in the left hand.

Stage Directions: The stage direction "(Exit Norman.)" is written below the vocal line in measure 11.

13 14 15

Par - don me, Are you A - mer - i - cans and

16 17 18

pil - grims? Ip-si's the pil-grim. It's her show.

pp *8va* *mp*

19 20 21

I'm the au - dience. She's the

mp

22 23 24

show. E ver since she danced on our dres - ser

pp *mf*

25 And pranced as - Beau ty Queen, I have been the

26

27

8va

3

28 au - dience. She's the star of ev' - ry scene.

29

30

31 32 33

It's her show. It's her

34 35 36

show. It's her show. It's her show.

37 38 39

It's her show.

It's her show.

The musical score for measures 37-39 features a vocal melody in the upper staves and piano accompaniment in the lower staves. The key signature is one flat (B-flat). The tempo is marked with a '7' (seventh note). The lyrics 'It's her show.' are repeated in measures 38 and 39.

40 41 42

The musical score for measures 40-42 continues the piano accompaniment. Measure 40 has a vocal line. Measures 41 and 42 continue the piano accompaniment. The key signature remains one flat (B-flat).

43 44 45

Are you a pil- grim?

Oh no! Not me!

46 47 48

Through all her boy friends & hus - bands,

49 50 51

I've been her cla-queur & con- fes - sor. Her la-test role's the Ho-ly

Measures 49-51 of the musical score. The vocal line is in the upper staff, and the piano accompaniment is in the lower staves. The lyrics are: "I've been her cla-queur & con- fes - sor. Her la-test role's the Ho-ly".

52 53 54

Sis - ter. Ex pen ses paid, so why re sist her?

Measures 52-54 of the musical score. The vocal line is in the upper staff, and the piano accompaniment is in the lower staves. The lyrics are: "Sis - ter. Ex pen ses paid, so why re sist her?".

55 Play pi-ous pil-grim. Take the bows. 56 57 My Ip-si's part, though short on

58 vows, 59 is long on head shots and ap - plause: 60

61 62 63

She e-ven gave the mas-ter pause. You're not a pil-grim?

64 65 66

No, my friend's a no-vice - Nor-man Gyk-son,

67 68 69

(She nods.)

I know the name:
poco

of GYK SON SOFTWARE. You know the name?

poco

70 71 72

Ta- bles that set them -selves?
a

Floorlamps that talk.
(Phil nods.)

73 74 75

Mil - lions he made in man - y ven -

76 77 78

tures. Now fund his quest - ing and ad - ven - tures.

poco rit.

79 He wants to be a monk?

80 This year.

81

poco

a

poco

This musical system contains measures 79, 80, and 81. Measure 79 features a vocal line with the lyrics 'He wants to be a monk?' and a piano accompaniment. Measures 80 and 81 show the vocal line continuing with 'This year.' and the piano accompaniment featuring sustained chords and a melodic line in the right hand.

82

83

84

He's been an her ba list, in - vest - ment bank - er.

a

This musical system contains measures 82, 83, and 84. Measure 82 is a piano introduction. Measure 83 features the vocal line with the lyrics 'He's been an her ba list, in - vest - ment bank - er.' and the piano accompaniment. Measure 84 continues the piano accompaniment with a melodic line in the right hand.

85 86 87

He e-ven trav-elled on a-tank - er. And was a husband. Restless for de-

88 89 90

vo - tion. Rest-less for de-vo - tion. He lived in ig-loos and

91 92 93

yurts, Left behind his suits & shirts To live the life of the mind. And even was a

94 95 96

fa ther - He al - so left that be-hind. Rest-less for de - vo - tion.

The image displays a musical score for a vocal and piano piece. It is divided into two systems, each containing three measures. The first system (measures 91-93) features a vocal line with lyrics: 'yurts, Left behind his suits & shirts To live the life of the mind. And even was a'. The piano accompaniment includes a right hand with chords and a left hand with a melodic line. The second system (measures 94-96) continues the vocal line with lyrics: 'fa ther - He al - so left that be-hind. Rest-less for de - vo - tion.' The piano accompaniment continues with similar textures, including a prominent right-hand melody in measure 96.

97 98 99

I'm sure he lost that no - tion.

Rest - less for de - vo - tion. It did - n't

(They both nod.)

100 101 102

Per - haps he came too near. to de - vo - tion

last a year. to de - vo - tion.

103 104 105

And you? You're his au - dience

His friend since child-hood. (Phil nods.)

106 107 108

Two years he's been here Trying to give it all a-

108 110 111

Rest - less for de-vo-tion

way, So he can give him-self a-way. for de-vo-tion

mf *ppp*

112 113 114

You know the mas - ter?

But the Guestmaster does n't let him.

The musical score is written for a vocal soloist and piano accompaniment. It consists of two systems of staves, each with four staves (two for the vocal part and two for the piano part). The key signature is B-flat major (two flats), and the time signature is 8/8.

System 1 (Measures 115-117):

- Measure 115:** The vocal part begins with a whole rest. The piano part features a descending eighth-note scale in the right hand and a half note in the left hand.
- Measure 116:** The vocal part enters with the lyrics "Nor-man sees him ev'-ry day. Why I could ne-ver say." The piano part continues with a descending eighth-note scale in the right hand and a half note in the left hand. A forte (*f*) dynamic marking is placed below the piano part.
- Measure 117:** The vocal part continues with the lyrics "Ip-si sees him ev'-ry". The piano part continues with a descending eighth-note scale in the right hand and a half note in the left hand.

System 2 (Measures 118-120):

- Measure 118:** The vocal part continues with the lyrics "day. why I could ne-ver say." The piano part continues with a descending eighth-note scale in the right hand and a half note in the left hand. A mezzo-forte (*mf*) dynamic marking is placed below the piano part.
- Measure 119:** The vocal part continues with the lyrics "why I could ne-ver say." The piano part continues with a descending eighth-note scale in the right hand and a half note in the left hand.
- Measure 120:** The vocal part continues with the lyrics "We sha - dow". The piano part features a descending eighth-note scale in the right hand and a half note in the left hand.

121 122 123

great ness, Their large lives and rest less- ness:

124 125 126

You and I. You and

127 128 129

While they are ris-ing, we're com-pro-mis-ing But

I. While they are ris-ing, we're com pro-mis-ing But?

(They both nod.)

130 131 132

If, in each oth-er, they find what they're af-ter, We could be free

If, in each oth-er, they find what they're af-ter,

132 134 135

We could be free.

We could be free.

136 137 138

mp You and me. Sainthood in making is slow in

mp You and me.

pp

139 bak - ing. 140 Yes, raise the 141 heat!

But raise the heat! Raise the heat! Sur - rend - der, de -

This block contains the first system of the musical score, spanning measures 139 to 141. It features a vocal line with lyrics and a piano accompaniment. The key signature has three flats (B-flat, E-flat, A-flat), and the time signature is 8/8. Measure 139 includes the lyrics 'bak - ing.' and a fermata. Measure 140 includes 'Yes, raise the' and measure 141 includes 'heat!'. The piano part consists of chords in the right hand and single notes in the left hand.

142 Requiresomeheat. Require heat - . CODA

votion, & lovingemotion Require heat -

ritardando

This block contains the second system of the musical score, spanning measures 142 to 144. It continues the vocal and piano parts. Measure 142 includes the lyrics 'Requiresomeheat.' and 'votion, & lovingemotion'. Measure 143 includes 'Require' and 'Require'. Measure 144 includes 'heat - .' and 'heat -'. The piano part features more complex textures, including triplets and arpeggiated figures. The system concludes with a 'CODA' marking and a 'ritardando' instruction.

145 146 147

If, from their sha - dows, we

148 149 150

guide them to geth - er, You and I,

151 152 153

You and I, They'll warm to each oth - er, & we will be

You and I, They'll warm to each oth - er, & we will be

154 155 156 157 158

- free - You and me. You and me - -

- free - You and me. You and - me - -

La Rinuncia

Act I, Scene 3

In the chapel, Norman prays with other novices and members of the Order.

Richard L. Rose

MM=72

Ipsama

Norman

Monks

Guestmaster

Orch.

BELL

p

mp

Not It, -

Not It,

4

5

6

- - but Thou.

Not - It, - but Thou.

But

Thou

3/4

7 8 9

MM=85

mf Not it, but Thou. *mp* - But *f* In - per - fect

p

10 11 12

Thou un - ion, Thou - Leave all in -

13 14 15

p *f* *ppp* *p*

quir - ing, Leave all - de - sir - ing be -

16 17 18

mf *f* *mp*

Not - It - But Thou.

hind. Know no - thing

19 20 21

world - ly. Drive greed, self - pro - mot - ing,

22 23 24

Grasp - ing, and want - ing, Far from your

25 26 27 28

f I've been e - nough that

(Other novices also sing this chant with Norman

mind.

p

29 30 31 32

me. He wan - dered from my

33 34 35 36

name His liv - ing used my

37 38 39 40

ho - ly flame I've been e -

ppp

The musical score is written for a voice and piano. The key signature is one flat (B-flat major). The score is divided into two systems, each containing four measures. The first system (measures 33-36) features a vocal line with lyrics 'name His liv - ing used my' and a piano accompaniment. The second system (measures 37-40) features a vocal line with lyrics 'ho - ly flame I've been e -' and a piano accompaniment. The piano part includes a *ppp* (pianissimo) marking in measure 33. The vocal line is written in a soprano or alto clef, and the piano part is written in a bass clef.

41 42 43 44

nough that me.

(Only Norman sings here.)

Not

pp

45 46 47 48

I've been e nough that me. Re -

- Not - - It, - But Thou -

It, - But Thou.

The musical score is for a vocal and piano piece. It consists of two systems of staves. The first system covers measures 41 to 44, and the second system covers measures 45 to 48. The key signature is one flat (B-flat). The vocal line is written in a soprano or alto clef, and the piano accompaniment is in a bass clef. The lyrics are in Italian. The score includes various musical notations such as notes, rests, slurs, and dynamic markings like *pp* (pianissimo). The piano part features a complex rhythmic pattern in the right hand and a more melodic line in the left hand. The vocal line has a long note in measure 41, followed by a series of notes in measures 42 and 43, and a final note in measure 44. The piano part has a series of chords in measure 41, followed by a series of notes in measures 42 and 43, and a final note in measure 44. The score is written for a vocal soloist and a piano accompanist.

49 50 51

lease him; Leave me none,

Not - It, Not - It, But

Thou, Not It. Thou -

52 53 54 55

And be - ing none, I'll be at

- - Thou -

Thou, Thou. Exit Master and monks.

56 57 58 59

one with all that's said to last.

mp *pp*

60 61 62 63

I've been e - nough that me.

The musical score is written for a voice and piano. The key signature has one flat (B-flat). The vocal line is in the soprano register. The piano accompaniment consists of a right hand and a left hand. The score is divided into two systems. The first system covers measures 56 to 59. The second system covers measures 60 to 63. The lyrics are: 'one with all that's said to last.' for measures 56-59, and 'I've been e - nough that me.' for measures 60-63. The piano part features a melodic line in the right hand and a more rhythmic, arpeggiated line in the left hand. Dynamics include *mp* (mezzo-piano) and *pp* (pianissimo).

64 65 66 67

That me.

All exit except for Norman. Ipsi, unseen by Norman, stands upstage right. Unseen Ipsi or Norman, Dolama watches both of them from upstage left.

poco a poco

68 69 70 71 72 73

That me. And yet,

74 75 76 77

Yet in a mo - ment, In just a

78 79 80 81

glance at her face, all of my plans van - ished a

82 83 84

way. A per - fect un - ion

85 86 87

Would take my all - Which I no

88 89 90

lon - ger pos - sess - Now that I've seen her

This musical system covers measures 88, 89, and 90. It features a vocal line in the upper staff and a piano accompaniment in the lower staves. The vocal line begins in measure 88 with the lyrics 'lon - ger pos - sess' and continues through measure 90 with 'Now that I've seen her'. The piano accompaniment consists of chords in the right hand and a more active line in the left hand, including some sixteenth-note patterns.

91 92 93

face - Like a flaw - less pro - gram code,

This musical system covers measures 91, 92, and 93. The vocal line continues from the previous system, starting with 'face' in measure 91 and 'Like a flaw - less pro - gram code,' in measures 92 and 93. The piano accompaniment continues with chords and a moving bass line.

94 95 96

So se - rene, She - turns me 'round as if a

97 98 99

ship at sea The di - vine life - I

100 101 102

came here to seek Was gi - ven in a mo - ment

103 104 105

in her face *ff* In just a

106 107

mo - ment I learned more than two years of chant - ing and pray - ing and

108 109 110

stu - dy could teach. The life of calm

pp *ppp*

111 112 113

or - der I've sought for is now in my reach But

p

114 115 116

now, I've *f* seen her, As if dream -ing, I have

ritardando

ppp

117 118 119

seen her. She meets ev' - ry spec. I

120 121 122

de - tailed ev'ry flow, con - straint, & pur - pose;

123 124 125

She passed ev' - ry check. I -

This system contains measures 123, 124, and 125. It features a vocal line with lyrics and a piano accompaniment. The key signature has one flat (B-flat). Measure 123 shows the vocal line starting with 'She' and the piano accompaniment with eighth notes. Measure 124 continues with 'passed' and the piano accompaniment with eighth notes. Measure 125 continues with 'ev' - ry check. I -' and the piano accompaniment with eighth notes. The piano accompaniment consists of a right hand with eighth notes and a left hand with eighth notes.

126 127 128

deal form, Some - how, now, a real form, like an emp - ty

This system contains measures 126, 127, and 128. It features a vocal line with lyrics and a piano accompaniment. The key signature has one flat (B-flat). Measure 126 shows the vocal line starting with 'deal form,' and the piano accompaniment with eighth notes. Measure 127 continues with 'Some - how, now, a real' and the piano accompaniment with eighth notes. Measure 128 continues with 'form, like an emp - ty' and the piano accompaniment with eighth notes. The piano accompaniment consists of a right hand with eighth notes and a left hand with eighth notes.

129 130 131 132

heart, now fills and beats. I've

133 134 135

seen her, As if dream ing, I have seen her But

136 137 138

we must not meet.

poco rit.

139 MM=95 140 141 142 143

f The Di-

Norman exits stage right. Ipsi comes center stage. Her voice draws Norman back onstage, but he does not approach her.

MM=95

pp

144

vine Road, like a well de -

145

fined code, - Dis -

146

pels ev' - ry doubt.

147

Se - cure,

148

ev' - ry mo - ment, ev' - ry

149 meet - ing - With in and with- out. 150 151

152 I saw him, 153 154 on - ly for a

The musical score is written for voice and piano. The voice part is in a single system with three staves. The piano accompaniment is in a single system with four staves. The key signature is one flat (B-flat). The time signature is 4/4. The score is divided into three measures. The first measure (149) contains the lyrics 'meet - ing - With in and with- out.' The second measure (150) contains the lyrics 'I saw him,'. The third measure (151) contains the lyrics 'on - ly for a'. The piano accompaniment features a complex rhythmic pattern in the right hand, consisting of a series of eighth and sixteenth notes, and a simpler pattern in the left hand. The score is written in a single system with three measures. The first measure (149) contains the lyrics 'meet - ing - With in and with- out.' The second measure (150) contains the lyrics 'I saw him,'. The third measure (151) contains the lyrics 'on - ly for a'. The piano accompaniment features a complex rhythmic pattern in the right hand, consisting of a series of eighth and sixteenth notes, and a simpler pattern in the left hand.

155 156 157

mo - ment, A mo - ment - We were - i - so - mor - phic

155 156 157

158 159 160

as pro - grammed co - e - vents. We're

158 159 160

161 brought here for this spe - cial mo - ment. 162 163 164 165 All

166 hap - pened as was meant. 167 168 169 170

Norman almost goes to her, but restrains himself, and exits. Ipsi exits stage left. Dolama exits and the curtain goes down on the first Act.

La Rinuncia

Act II, Prelude

Richard L. Rose

The curtain rises on the Labyrinth, a maze with tall rose hedges between the paths. Three parallel paths open downstage, visible to the audience, but not visible to the players walking on them, who see only their own aisles. Lighting during the Prelude portrays dawn and a small cloudburst. Norman, covering his head during the shower, is walking in the aisle on stage left. Later in the Act, Dolama and Phil come down the middle aisle and the Guestmaster and Ipsi come down the aisle on stage right. Norman uncovers his head as the Prelude ends.

MM=60

2 3 4

5 6 7 8

Norman appears as a dark figure far upstage at the end of the aisle, his head covered during the downpour. He slowly walks downstage.

MM=80

9 10 11 12

This musical score is for the second page of the prelude 'La Rinuncia, II'. It is written for piano and consists of five systems of music, each with a treble and bass staff. The key signature has one flat (B-flat), and the time signature is 6/8. The score begins at measure 13. Measures 13-14 are marked with a half note and a fermata. Measures 15-16 are marked with a half note and a fermata, with a tempo marking of MM=95. Measures 17-20 are marked with a half note and a fermata, with a tempo marking of MM=70. Measures 21-24 are marked with a half note and a fermata, with a tempo marking of MM=95. Measures 25-28 are marked with a half note and a fermata, with a tempo marking of MM=70. Measures 29-32 are marked with a half note and a fermata, with a tempo marking of MM=95. The score includes various musical notations such as notes, rests, and dynamic markings.

13 15 MM=95 16 MM=70

17 18 19 20

21 22 23 24

25 26 27 28

29 30 31 32

accel.

This musical score is for the second part of a prelude, spanning measures 33 to 52. It is written for piano in a key with one flat (B-flat major or D minor). The score is organized into five systems, each with a grand staff (treble and bass clefs).
- Measures 33-40: The first system contains measures 33 through 40. The right hand features chords and eighth-note patterns, while the left hand has a steady eighth-note accompaniment.
- Measures 41-44: The second system contains measures 41 through 44. A tempo marking 'MM=90' is placed above measure 41. The right hand continues with eighth-note patterns, and the left hand has a similar accompaniment.
- Measures 45-48: The third system contains measures 45 through 48. A tempo marking 'MM=60' is placed above measure 48. The right hand has a more active eighth-note pattern, and the left hand continues with eighth notes.
- Measures 49-52: The fourth system contains measures 49 through 52. The right hand features a triplet of eighth notes in measure 49, followed by a half note in measure 50, and then a quarter note in measure 51. The left hand has a triplet of eighth notes in measure 49, followed by a half note in measure 50, and then a quarter note in measure 51. The piece concludes with a final chord in measure 52.

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53 54 55 56

57 58 59 60

61 62 63 64

MM=30

sfz

ppp

Norman uncovers his head as the Prelude ends and the lights come up.

La Rinuncia

Act 2, Scene 1.1

Richard L. Rose

Norman

Orch.

f

ppp

2

3

Dawn

4

5

6

and vi - gil's end,

7

8

9

Drop - lets hang from branch - es.

10

11

12

Shall I lose love a - gain?

Rose

13 14 15

Love, If it is love

ritardando

16 17 18

a
mp
a

19 20 21

22 23 24

Gone

25 are 26 wind and 27 rain -

28 Time for 29 mak - ing 30 choi - ces.

31 32 MM=120 33

34 35 I hear so man - y 36 voi - ces, Some

37 dis - tant, some at 38 hand - 39 So man - y paths &

40 choi - ces. Who shall com - 41 mand? 42

43 44 45

46 47 48 49

50 MM=80 To sac - ri - fice, 51 To know the price, 52 I should be

53 mine, 54 But I am not my own. 55 I seem to

56 - be - a - thing 57 com - 58 bined

59 Of dreams & as - pir - 60 a - tions, And flaws in 61 i - ter - a - tions

The musical score is written for a voice and piano. The voice part is in the upper staff, and the piano accompaniment is in the lower staves. The key signature is one flat (B-flat), and the time signature is 3/4. The tempo is marked MM=80. The score is divided into measures, with measure numbers 50 through 61 indicated. The lyrics are written below the voice staff. The piano accompaniment features a variety of textures, including chords, arpeggios, and melodic lines. The overall mood is contemplative and expressive.

62 63 64

Like bad code.

62 63 64

65 66

Which path?

65 66

67 68 69

Which road?

ritardando

67 68 69

La Rinuncia, Act II, Scene 2

In the walled labyrinth of climbing roses

Richard L. Rose

Dolama brings Phil down the middle aisle of the Labyrinth. Norman listens from the other side of the hedge.

MM=64

Dolama

Phil

Orch.

mp

Cl.

2

3

f Who knows where this path goes?

f Can we

4

5

6

Yes, we're close e - nough now, Like-bees lost in a

stop here now?

7

8

9

rose.

For what I want to do.
(She nods, moving closer to him..)

A - lone e-nough for you?

10 11 12

ff So, Tell me what they said.

13 14 15

Ip-si & the geek Oh - that. Well, Ip - si

Nor - man, my friend

16 17 18

fell And I fell for
She touches his arm. He backs away.

And he fell for her? You took her to pray'rs?

19 As you said to. 20 What's that? Norman says, "OH!". 21 Per

22 haps it's your bees. 23 Lost in the scent. 24 And af - ter the

25 Nor - man stayed be - hind. 26 monks went? 27 As us - u - al

The musical score is written for a voice and piano. It consists of three systems of staves. The first system (measures 28-30) features a vocal line with lyrics 'He's wrest - ling, al - ways rest - less to find' and a piano accompaniment with chords and eighth notes. The second system (measures 31-33) continues the vocal line with 'some one' and 'Or some - thing for his de - vo - tion', with the piano part providing harmonic support. The third system (measures 34-36) includes the tempo marking 'MM=72' and the instruction 'Chorus Piano'. The vocal line reads 'He wres - tles with him - self, Keeps vi - gil through the night To', while the piano part features a more active accompaniment with eighth and sixteenth notes.

28 29 30

He's wrest - ling, al - ways rest - less to find

31 32 33

some one Or some - thing for his de - vo - tion

34 35 36

MM=72

He wres - tles with him - self, Keeps vi - gil through the night To

Chorus Piano

37 38 39

Or wor - thy one

find a wor - thy aim

Vln. Whom

40 41 42

But

he can give ev' ry - thing. Ev' ry thing.

Cl.

43 44 45

al - ways he re turns - To the chat - ter in his mind - Where so lit - tle pas - sion

46 47 48

burns. But may - be, With Ip - si, He's

49 50 51

fin' lly found his path to love. No string to fol - low - out.

52 53 54

He He wres tles in his dream, but stays. He

seeks to lose him self But stays with- in his men - tal maze.

If he loves her, Then our way is clear.

They

fit like two cogs in a gear.

The chanting monks filed out.

The musical score is written for voice and piano. It consists of three systems of staves. The first system (measures 55-57) features a vocal line with lyrics 'seeks to lose him self But stays with- in his men - tal maze.' and a piano accompaniment. The second system (measures 58-60) continues the vocal line with 'If he loves her, Then our way is clear.' and includes a triplet in the vocal line. The third system (measures 61-63) concludes with 'fit like two cogs in a gear.' and 'The chanting monks filed out.' The piano accompaniment provides harmonic support throughout, with various chordal textures and melodic lines in both hands.

64 And Ip - si matched her pray'r to his. Two

65

Cl.

66 dweebs check - ing off their specs like a stock clerk

67

68 and me - cha - nic.

69 What did Nor - man

70 Froze, then ran a - way.

do? Then he

73 loves her And

74 This is a sign. we can re - turn to

75 This is a to ken. Pitts - burgh and re -

76 Pitts - burgh?

77 As you have be fore? You've

78 co - ver. As we have be fore Nor - man & I

79 done this all be fore? No - thing? No-thing? No word or

80 will be as we were be fore Her ab - sence will con-vince

81

82 to - ken? There is no - thing more?

83 him There is no - thing more.

84

sfz

senza

sfz

La Rinuncia, Act II, Scene 3

Finale

Richard L. Rose

Norman comes around the corner of the hedge to confront Phil and Dolama.

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1 2 3

Ipsama

Dolama

Phil

Norman

Guestmaster

Orch.

ff *sfz* *ppp*

Nothing more?

Nor - man

What kind of friend?

4 5 6

Like it was be fore.

Nor man.

What kind of friend?

They hear the Guestmaster in the next aisle.

Seek

mf

Musical score for measures 7, 8, and 9. The score is written for a vocal line and a piano accompaniment. The key signature has one flat (B-flat). Measure 7 shows the vocal line starting with a whole note, followed by a half note and a quarter note. The piano accompaniment consists of a single whole note. Measure 8 shows the vocal line with a half note and a quarter note, followed by a half note and a quarter note. The piano accompaniment consists of a single whole note. Measure 9 shows the vocal line with a half note and a quarter note, followed by a half note and a quarter note. The piano accompaniment consists of a single whole note. The lyrics are: "per - fect un ion. As we were be The mas - ter! There will be unoun -".

Musical score for measures 10 and 11. The score is written for a vocal line and a piano accompaniment. The key signature has one flat (B-flat). Measure 10 shows the vocal line with a half note and a quarter note, followed by a half note and a quarter note. The piano accompaniment consists of a single whole note. Measure 11 shows the vocal line with a half note and a quarter note, followed by a half note and a quarter note. The piano accompaniment consists of a single whole note. The lyrics are: "- fore, there is no thing more. Nor - man, can't you see? ion. Not here, not with you. Seek".

12 13 14

No - thing more.
no - thing more?
No thing more.
no - thing more.

mp

15 16 17

Here I am, Mas - ter, as you bid me.

The three players in the middle aisle are all surprised to hear Ipsi join the Master.

18 19 20

18 19 20

p - *si.*
p - *si.*
p - *si!*
p - *si,*

f Come, my child, and re port.

p
p

21 22 23 24 25

21 22 23 24 25

p
ppp

26 *f* As we re - 27 heard it, 28 - I - per -

ppp

29 formed it. 30 I 31 used ev'

Rose

This musical score is for a vocal and piano piece. It consists of two systems of staves. The first system contains measures 32, 33, and 34. The second system contains measures 35, 36, and 37. The vocal line is written in a single staff with lyrics. The piano accompaniment is written in two staves (treble and bass clef). The key signature has three flats (B-flat, E-flat, A-flat), and the time signature is 3/4. Measure 32 shows the vocal line with the lyrics 'ry' and 'line.' The piano accompaniment features a series of chords and a melodic line in the bass. Measure 33 shows the vocal line with the lyrics 'I think it' and the piano accompaniment with a melodic line in the bass. Measure 34 shows the vocal line with the lyrics 'was one of my best' and the piano accompaniment with a melodic line in the bass. The piano accompaniment includes dynamic markings such as *pp* (pianissimo) and *p* (piano).

32 ry line.

33

34

35 I think it was one of my best

36

37

pp

p

38 shows. 39 One of my best shows. 40

And no one knows?

41 Not 42 3 3 3 e-ven my sis - ter 43 He

And what did the no-vice do?

Musical score for measures 44-46. The score is written for a vocal line and a piano accompaniment. The key signature is three flats (B-flat, E-flat, A-flat) and the time signature is 2/3. The vocal line starts at measure 44 with the lyrics "want - ed me," and continues through measure 46 with "but - he - fled". The piano accompaniment consists of a right hand with chords and a left hand with a single note in measure 44, and rests in measures 45 and 46.

44 want - ed me, 45 but - he - 46 fled

Musical score for measures 47-49. The score is written for a vocal line and a piano accompaniment. The key signature is three flats (B-flat, E-flat, A-flat) and the time signature is 2/3. The vocal line starts at measure 47 with the lyrics "me." and continues through measure 49 with "Then his or - deal has end - ed: De -". The piano accompaniment consists of a right hand with chords and a left hand with a single note in measure 47, and rests in measures 48 and 49. The piano accompaniment is marked *pp* (pianissimo) in measures 48 and 49.

47 me. 48 49

f Then his or - deal has end - ed: De -

pp

50 51 52 La Rinuncia, 2.3 , p.9

sir - ing & in - quir - ing done, Leav - ing

53 54 55

qui - et be - hind.

56 57 58

f We're

He must not see you a- gain. Are you rea - dy?

MM=70

59 60 61

packed and rea - dy. I've a book - ing in Scran - ton. Not so sweet a gig as

p

62 63 64

this one but it's so i - so - lat - ed here. I need my

65 66 67

cell phone & my dai - ly soaps.

MM=50

68 ritardando poco a poco ~~poco a poco~~ ~~poco a poco~~ 69 No prob - lem! He

He must not see you a - gain.

ritardando poco a poco

70 does - n't in - t'rest me. Those tech - ie types will 71 push you in some mol - dy

72 rou - tine. 73 No fun 74 there! I

75 like to move from scene to 76 scene. 77 And Ip - si al - ways

You must not

79 80

poco

must be seen.

poco be seen.

poco *p* *a*

81 82 83

Polama, Phil, and Norman come around the hedge to confront the Master and Ipsi, center sta

Ip - si, take your bows!

Nor - mantakes no

84 85 86

vows!

ff To whom would I make them? A faith - less friend?

p

87 88 89

A false guide? A face that's

90 91 92 MM=140

just a mask? *f* My

MM=140

p *p*

93 94 95

spe - ci - fi - ca - tions were all met in

96 97 98

two - deep brown

99 100 101

eyes. *f* These, and

pp

103 104

friend - ship, and sage mi - ni - stra - tions are

105 106 107

poco rit. on - ly be - tray - als, And lies.

ff

poco rit.

Rose

108 109 110

a tempo

Though you want to be

111 112 113

sure Your in - ten - tions are pure, You should

The image shows a musical score for a piece titled 'La Rinuncia, 2.3' on page 19. The score is written for a vocal soloist and a piano accompaniment. The vocal part is in the upper system, and the piano part is in the lower system. The key signature is B-flat major (two flats), and the time signature is 8/8. The tempo is marked 'a tempo'. The score is divided into measures, with measure numbers 108, 109, 110, 111, 112, and 113 indicated. The lyrics are: 'Though you want to be' (measures 108-110) and 'sure Your in - ten - tions are pure, You should' (measures 111-113). The piano accompaniment consists of chords and single notes in the right and left hands.

114 115 116

think twice a - bout sac - ri - fice.

This system contains measures 114, 115, and 116. It features a vocal line with lyrics and a piano accompaniment. The key signature has two flats (B-flat and E-flat). The vocal line starts in measure 114 with the lyrics 'think twice a -' and continues through measure 116 with 'bout sac - ri - fice.' The piano accompaniment consists of chords and single notes in the right and left hands.

117 118 119

To give up what you love For some

This system contains measures 117, 118, and 119. It continues the vocal line and piano accompaniment from the previous system. The vocal line lyrics are 'To give up what you love For some'. The piano accompaniment continues with chords and single notes. The key signature remains two flats.

120 121 122

pro - mise a - bove Is to pay a

123 124 125

dan - ger - ous price For the

126 127 128

ar - gu - ment's slim, Too cock - eyed for a

This system contains measures 126, 127, and 128. It features a vocal line with lyrics, a piano accompaniment with chords and eighth notes, and a basso continuo line with a steady eighth-note pattern. The key signature has two flats, and the time signature is 8/8.

129 130 131

shim, Love is giv - ing, Not sa - cri -

This system contains measures 129, 130, and 131. The vocal line continues with lyrics, including a phrase with a slur over measures 130 and 131. The piano accompaniment and basso continuo line continue their respective parts. The key signature and time signature remain the same as in the previous system.

132 133 134 La Rinuncia, 2.3 , p.23

fice. You think the di -

135 136 137

vine path is re - nun - ci - a - tion, But for

138 139 140

me, it's ac - cep - tance of our sit - u -

141 142 MM=72 143

a - tion

MM=72

144 145 146

147 148 149

What if I lose all pros -

150 151 152

pect's? What if some peo - ple

This system contains measures 150, 151, and 152. It features a vocal line with lyrics and a piano accompaniment. The key signature has two flats (B-flat and E-flat), and the time signature is 8/8. Measure 150 shows the vocal line starting with 'pect's?' and the piano accompaniment with a series of eighth notes. Measures 151 and 152 continue the vocal line with 'What if some peo - ple' and the piano accompaniment with a series of eighth notes.

153 154 155

talk? You are the

Rose

This system contains measures 153, 154, and 155. It features a vocal line with lyrics and a piano accompaniment. The key signature has two flats (B-flat and E-flat), and the time signature is 8/8. Measure 153 shows the vocal line starting with 'talk?' and the piano accompaniment with a series of eighth notes. Measures 154 and 155 continue the vocal line with 'You are the' and the piano accompaniment with a series of eighth notes. The name 'Rose' is written at the bottom left of the system.

156 157 158

one I longed for.

159 160 161

You are the path I walked.

Rose

162 163 164

She looks at Phil, then turns away.

He was the one I'd hoped

165 166 167

for, To live and love, and be

Rose

168 169 170

free. *f* Now all's the same as be -

mp *ppp*

171 172 173

fore - This al - ways

p

174 175 176

hap - pens to me.

mf It is e - ver

mp

p

177 178 179

thus - with love:

180 181 182

Thou, not it or me.

183 184 185

Thou, on - ly Thou, - Here, and a -

186 187 188

bove - Be - yond all - we - know and

189 190 191

MM=72

Ipsi points to the gate
out of the Labyrinth.

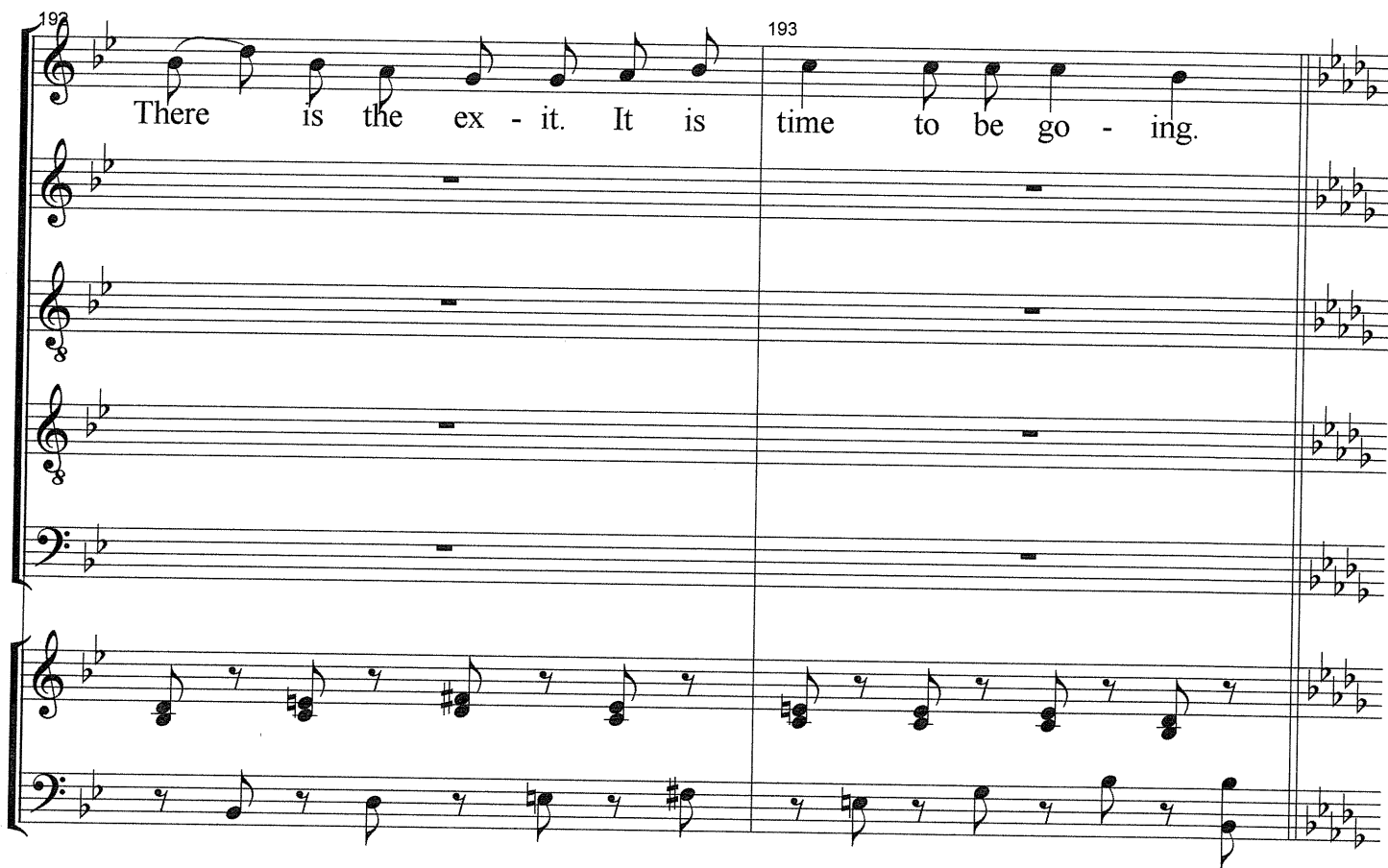
What is all this chat - ter a - bout paths and know - ing?

see.

MM-72

192 193

There is the ex - it. It is time to be go - ing.



194 MM=60 195 196

Ipsi opens the gate and beckons Dolama. Norman looks at her and turns away.

I should have stayed with machine code. No vows re - quired, on - ly



rules. No hy - per - link e - ver be

Not it but Thou.

He was the one

You were the one

- trayed me. No pix - el e - ver

Per - fect un - ion

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204 205

Sis-ter, here's the ex-it. Now it's
Sis-ter here's the ex-it. Now it's

made me a fool I've seen

206 207 208

time to be go - ing. How tire - some these man-y paths to
time to be - go - ing . How - tire - some these man - y paths to

You were the path I walked to
her: Here ends my - path to
Thou, Be - yond - all

209 210 211 MM=120

know - ing. The sisters and Master exit.

know - ing!

know - ing.

know - ing.

know - ing.

know - ing.

As you

MM=120

212 213 214

strug - gled to give, You for - got how to

215 216 217 La Rinuncia, 2.3 , p.37

live. It's real - ly quite sim - ple, my

218 219 220

dear; Giv - ing o - ver to

221 222 223

love, you for - get what's a - bove. It's e -

224 225 226

nough that your loved one be near.

Norman turns away from Phil and stares into the Labyrinth.

Rose

227 228 229

You are the one I

230 231 232

longed for. You are the

233 234 235

path I *mf* walked

pp

236 237 238

Now, for your

239 240 241

sake, I leave you, Re -

This system contains measures 239, 240, and 241. The vocal line (soprano) has lyrics: 'sake, I leave you, Re -'. The piano accompaniment features a melodic line in the right hand and a supporting line in the left hand. Measure 239 ends with a sharp sign on the 'I'. Measure 241 ends with a hyphen after 'Re'.

242 243 244

nounce you, to let you grow.

This system contains measures 242, 243, and 244. The vocal line (soprano) has lyrics: 'nounce you, to let you grow.'. The piano accompaniment continues with a melodic line in the right hand and a supporting line in the left hand. Measure 244 ends with a period after 'grow'.

245 246 247

Will it be

248 249 250

now, or to mor - row? When you find

251 252 253

love, you will know. What seems sac - ri - fice

This system contains measures 251, 252, and 253. The vocal line (treble clef) has lyrics: "love, you will know. What seems sac - ri - fice". The piano accompaniment (treble and bass clefs) features a steady eighth-note pattern in the right hand and a more active bass line in the left hand.

254 255 256

to oth - ers Is joy and

This system contains measures 254, 255, and 256. The vocal line (treble clef) has lyrics: "to oth - ers Is joy and". The piano accompaniment (treble and bass clefs) continues with a similar rhythmic pattern, featuring chords and moving lines in both hands.

257 258 259

food and drink.

260 261 262

Fol - low the path you long

263 264 265

for. Don't care what oth - ers

This musical system contains measures 263, 264, and 265. It features a vocal line with lyrics and a piano accompaniment. The vocal line begins in measure 263 with the word 'for.' followed by a half note. In measure 264, it continues with 'Don't care what' and a quarter note. Measure 265 contains 'oth - ers' with a half note and a fermata. The piano accompaniment consists of chords in the right hand and a moving bass line in the left hand.

266 267 268

think. Norman re-enters the Labyrinth and disappears. The lights begin to dim.

This musical system contains measures 266, 267, and 268. The vocal line starts in measure 266 with the word 'think.' followed by a half note. Measures 267 and 268 contain the stage directions: 'Norman re-enters the Labyrinth and disappears. The lights begin to dim.' The piano accompaniment continues with chords and a moving bass line.

269 270 271

You were the one I longed

272 273 274

for. You were the path I

275 276 277

walked.

Phil watches Norman disappear, then turns back to the audience.

278 279 280

You were the one I longed

281 282 283

for You were the path I

284 285 286

walked He was the

Rose

287 288

one I longed for.

MM=85
sffz *sffz* *sffz*
ritardando al fine.

290 291 292

He was the path I

293 294 295

walked.

This system contains measures 293, 294, and 295. It features a vocal line and a piano accompaniment. The vocal line begins in measure 293 with the word "walked." and continues with a long note across measures 294 and 295. The piano accompaniment consists of a treble and bass staff. In measure 293, the treble staff has a long note with a tremolo effect, and the bass staff has a series of eighth notes. In measure 294, the treble staff has a long note with a tremolo effect, and the bass staff has a series of eighth notes. In measure 295, the treble staff has a series of eighth notes, and the bass staff has a long note.

296 297

Lights out. Curtain.

FINE

This system contains measures 296 and 297. The vocal line is silent in both measures. The piano accompaniment consists of a treble and bass staff. In measure 296, the treble staff has a series of eighth notes, and the bass staff has a series of eighth notes. In measure 297, the treble staff has a long note with a tremolo effect, and the bass staff has a long note. The system ends with the word "FINE" in the right margin.