RIGHT HAND LEVER EXTENSIONS NEW STYLE. Revised July 2008.

These extensions allow the player to pull the lever up with the right hand. A string is attached to the sharping lever by one of several methods. The levers are then disengaged by flipping them down with the left hand.

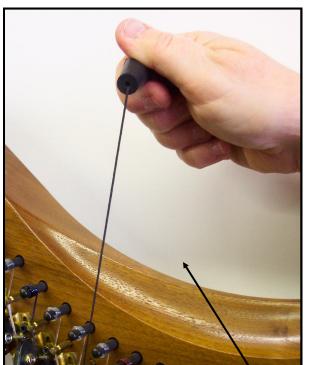
The typical Suzuki harp student gets two lever extensions. In some cases it will be two of the same, in others it will be two slightly different.

The original idea for right hand lever extensions belongs to Mary Kay Waddington. I have built a number of variations on her original idea during the last 20 years. They are a little bit cumbersome to use, but serve an important purpose. (I have occasionally joked that lever extensions make it easier for parents to bite the bullet and move up to a pedal harp.)

The new style addresses the problems I had trying to make the old style extensions work with the dazzling array of new levers that have come on the market. I am happy with how these extensions function but as always, they are a work in progress. I welcome your feedback. David Kolacny







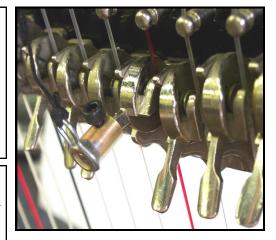
Older Lyon & Healy and Salvi Levers use a brass tube that is held on with a socket head cap screw.

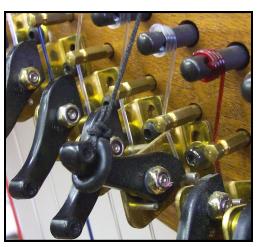
Most other levers have the extension held in place with one of two sizes of "O" rings.

On some levers, spacer rings are placed on the lever before the extension.

Experiment to determine the upward angle needed to engage the lever.

Try to avoid rubbing the string on the tuning pins.





To Determine Which Right Hand Lever Extensions You Need, Match The Levers On Your Harp To The Pictures Below.

Prices as of June, 2024, subject to change without notice. Prices do not include shipping. Right hand lever extensions are available only from Harps Nouveau.

Please enquire about extensions for other brands of Levers



Lyon & Healy
Old Style Brass

Extension:
Brass tube with screw.
A typical set is two of the same.
(\$10.00 each) \$20 for set of 2



Lyon & Healy New Style Brass Also made in Gold Plastic or Red, White & Blue Plastic Extension:
Brass tube with screw.
A typical set is two of the same.

(\$10.00 each) \$20 for set of 2



Salvi **Standard / Original** (NOT Performance lever)

Extension:
Brass tube with screw.
A typical set is two of the same.
(\$10.00 each)\$20 for set of 2



Loveland Levers
Made in Gold or Black.
Extension:
Small O ring.
A typical set is two of the same.

(\$3.50 each) \$7 for set of 2

Lyon & Healy & others



Dusty Strings and others

New Loveland Levers

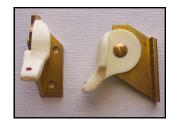
Larger handles than original.

Black only.

Extension: Large O ring.

A typical set is two of the same.

(\$3.50 each) \$7 for set of 2



Camac
Large White
Plastic Handles
Extension:
Large O ring.
Typical set is two of the same.
(\$3.50 each) \$7 for set of 2



Camac
Tear Drop Handles
Extensions:
One Small and one large
O ring per set.
3 small spacer O rings each.
(\$3.50 each) \$7 for set of 2



Spoon Handles (Newest)

Extension:
Small O ring with
3 spacer O rings.

Typical set is two of the same.
(\$3.50 each) \$7 for set of 2



Truitt Levers

Extension:
Small O ring.

Typical set is two of the same.
(\$3.50 each) \$7 for set of 2

Various makers



Performance Levers
Extension:
One Small and One Large
O ring per set of two.
(\$3.50 each) \$7 for set of 2

Lyon & Healy / Salvi