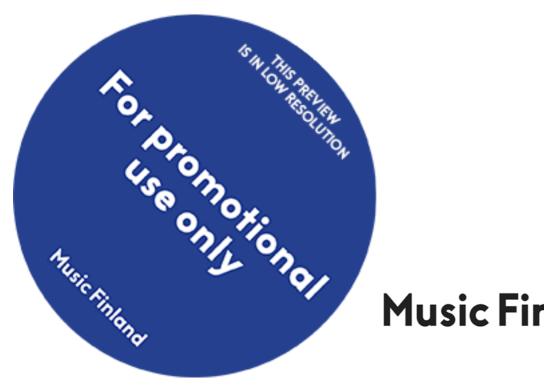
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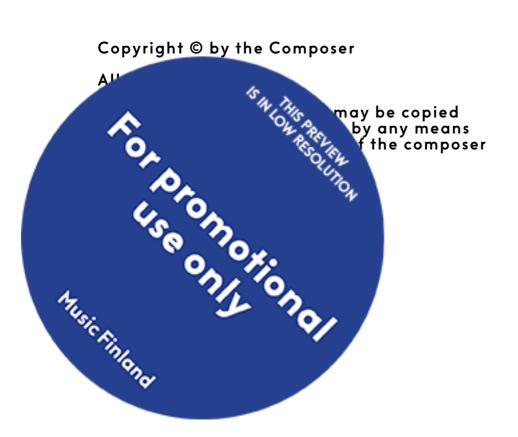
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The premiere was given by Laura Farré Rozada with New Perspectives Ensemble, conducted by Timothy Lines.

Amaryllis Fleming Concert Hall, Royal College of Music, London, UK
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## written for Laura Farré Rozada

#### Instrumentation

Flute

Oboe

Clarinet in Bb (doubling Bass Clarinet in Bb)

Bassoon

Horn in F

Trumpet in Bb

Trombone

Percussion (vibraphone, tubular bell (G4), ocean drum)



The score is written in C

#### Composer's notes

The first movement of this three movement concerto for piano and chamber ensemble begins with a slow melancholic chorale. The piano answers the calling of the ensemble and sets out to establish its individual voice. Throughout this movement the piano is a leading voice with the ensemble accompanying its movements.

The first half of the second movement treats the piano very much as part of the overall texture, however a juxtaposition is created through the microtonal inflections of the ensemble clashing with the equally tempered piano. A climactic surge of colour sets in motion an obsessive, repeating piano figuration resolving in a fragile and bare ending.

The third movement sees bell-like chords and gestures accompanying a lonely cantabile melody played by the piano. Scarcely orchestrated, the ensemble provides a soundscape of alien echoes.

The subtitle of the piece - 'the sighing of the winds is softer than ever' - is taken from John Muir's writings on nature (1838-1914). This piece is dedicated to Laura Farré Rozada.



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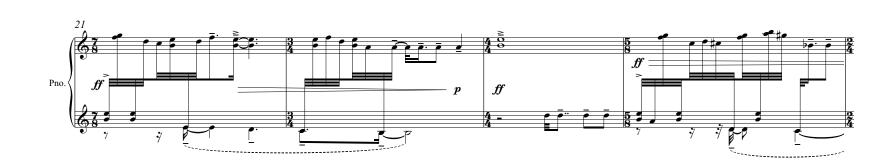






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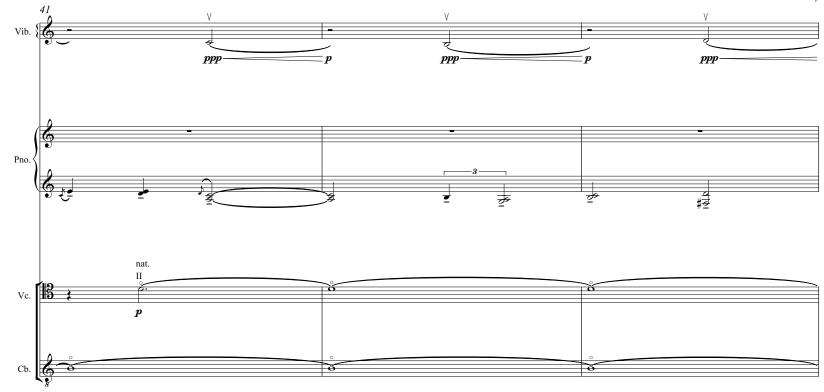
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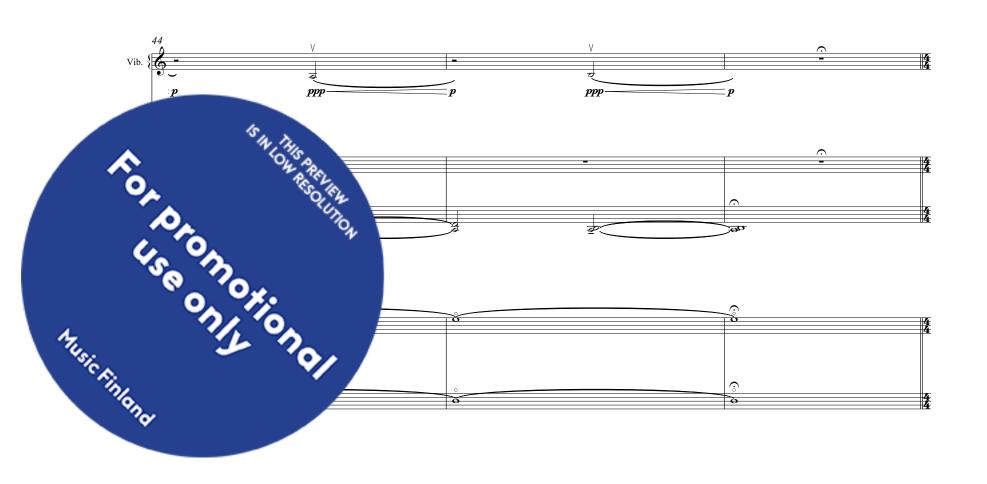










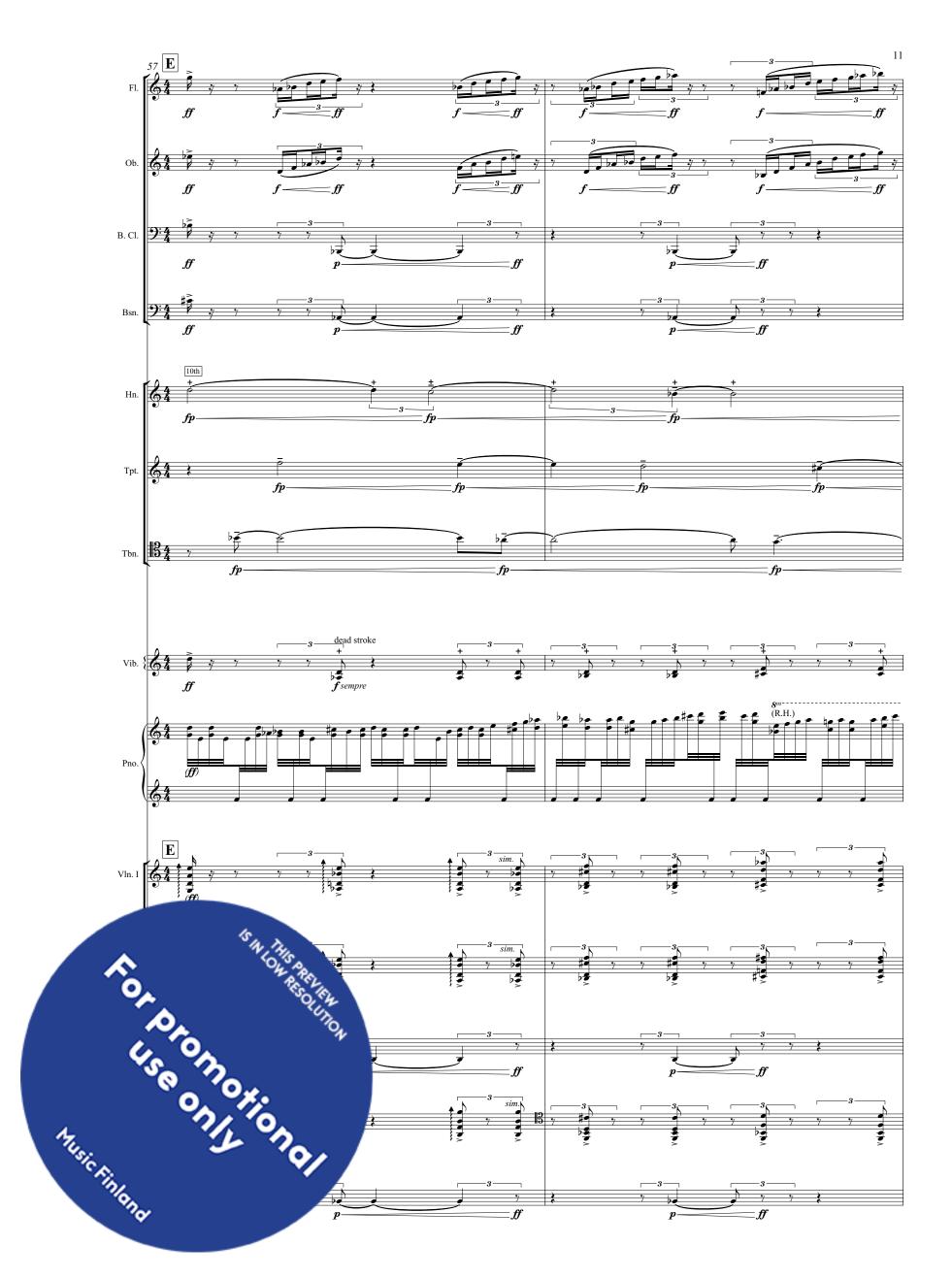


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