

Theme and Variations for 2 Violins

*A Theme and Variations for two violins and for two new relationships.
Dedicated to Serena Scibelli and her student, Sabrina.*

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Theme: Friendship

Allegretto

Violin I
mf

Violin II
mf > *mp* > *mp* > *mp* > *mp*

Vln. I
mp > *mp*

Vln. II
mf

Vln. I
mp > *mp* > *mf* > *poco a poco crescendo*

Vln. II
mf > *poco a poco crescendo*

Vln. I
sfz *mf* > *sfz* *mf* > *ff* > Chromatic Gliss

Vln. II
sfz > *sfz* > *sfz* > *ff* > Chromatic Gliss

Variation 1: Who Are We Now?

With Curiosity and Playfulness

The musical score is written for two violins, Vln. I and Vln. II, in a 3/4 time signature with a key signature of one sharp (F#). The score is divided into five systems, each with a measure number at the beginning. The first system starts at measure 25. The second system starts at measure 31. The third system starts at measure 37. The fourth system starts at measure 43. The fifth system starts at measure 46. The score includes various dynamic markings such as *mp*, *p*, *mf*, *f*, and *ff*, as well as performance instructions like *rallentando*, *a tempo*, *rit.*, and *dolce*. The piece concludes with a double bar line at the end of the fifth system.

Vln. I
mp *mf* *mp*

Vln. II
mp *p* *mp* *mf* *mp* *mf*

Vln. I
mf

Vln. II

Vln. I
f *rallentando* *f*

Vln. II
f

Vln. I
ff *a tempo* *f*

Vln. II
ff *f*

Vln. I
mp *dolce* *sfz* *a tempo*

Vln. II
mp *dolce* *sfz*

Variation 2: From Past Longings to Future Beginnings

With Motion yet Deep Longing

49 *swelling in and out*

Vln. I

Vln. II

p *mf* *p* *p* *mf*

tr *tr* *tr* *tr*

57

Vln. I

Vln. II

mf *pp* *mp* *pp* *mp* *pp*

tr *tr* *tr* *tr*

65 *poco rit.* **Looking Ahead; Brightly**

Vln. I

Vln. II

mf *pp* *mf* *mp* *mf*

tr *tr* *tr* *tr*

73

Vln. I

Vln. II

mf *mf*

tr *tr* *tr* *tr*

81 **Remembering with Longing** *mf*

Vln. I

Vln. II

88 *f*

Vln. I

Vln. II

94

Vln. I

Vln. II

100 *mf* *f* *mf* *pp*

gradually slower and fading into the distance

The musical score consists of four systems, each with two staves (Violin I and Violin II). The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 4/4. The first system (measures 81-87) is titled "Remembering with Longing" and starts with a mezzo-forte (mf) dynamic. It features a melodic line in the first violin with trills and a more rhythmic accompaniment in the second violin. The second system (measures 88-93) increases the dynamic to forte (f). The third system (measures 94-99) shows a return to mezzo-forte (mf) with more complex rhythmic patterns. The final system (measures 100-104) is marked with a dynamic range from mezzo-forte (mf) to pianissimo (pp) and includes the instruction "gradually slower and fading into the distance".

Variation 3: New Normal

Vivace

The musical score is divided into four systems, each with a Violin I (Vln. I) and Violin II (Vln. II) part. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is common time (C).
- **System 1 (Measures 106-110):** Vln. I starts with a *f* dynamic and *pizz.* (pizzicato) marking. Vln. II also starts with *f* and *pizz.*, then switches to *arco* (arco) and *p* (piano) dynamic, with a *mp* (mezzo-piano) dynamic marking later in the system.
- **System 2 (Measures 111-115):** Vln. I continues with a melodic line. Vln. II features *portamento* markings and *v* (accents) on several notes.
- **System 3 (Measures 116-119):** Vln. I has a melodic line with a key signature change to two sharps (F# and C#) in the final two measures. Vln. II starts with *p* and *pizz.*, then switches to *f* and *pizz.* in the final two measures.
- **System 4 (Measures 120-123):** Vln. I starts with *p* and *f* dynamics, ending with *arco*. Vln. II starts with *p* and *f* dynamics.

Vln. I

Vln. II

124

p *mp* *p* *mp*

portamento *portamento*

Vln. I

Vln. II

128

Vln. I

Vln. II

132

pizz. *rit.* *arco* *a tempo*

p *f* *p* *sfz sfz sfz sfz*

Vln. I

Vln. II

137

sfz *mf* *sfz* *mf* *f*

mf *f*

Vln. I

Vln. II

140

f *ff*

mf *ff*