

IAN KEITH HARRIS
Poem by Jennifer I. Paull

THE WHITE ROSE

Countertenor (Alto), Oboe d'amore, Harp & String Quartet



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Ian Keith Harris

(1935-)

Australian composer, arranger, oboist, music educator, critic and eclectic musician, Ian Harris, was born in Melbourne in 1935, living there for the first 26 years of his life. He started the piano at the age of five and three years later was playing cornet in his school band. He took up the violin shortly after this, playing for several years, but relinquished it when he became his school pianist at thirteen. The oboe came next, and in 1953, he began his Bachelor of Music degree at Melbourne University Conservatorium of Music taking piano as chief study and oboe as second. National Service in the Army intervened and, this time, Ian Harris played the trombone in the University Regiment. The same year, he changed to oboe as his chief study. The trombone did not impress Jiří Tancibudek, his professor! This time, the piano was his second study and composition (Arthur Nickson) crept in too.

Not surprisingly he was soon in demand as a free-lance orchestral musician, arranger and copyist, working in a very eclectic mix of musical spheres from arranging for Eartha Kitt (television and various theatrical shows), to playing in opera, ballet, chamber music and symphony orchestras. He was a founding member of the *Glendenian Trio*, (flute, oboe, bassoon), which gave regular broadcasts over several years. The trio was another area in which his skills at arrangement were frequently employed.

Ian Harris moved to Hobart, Tasmania, in 1961 (Tasmanian Orchestra), was seconded to the Sydney Symphony Orchestra (cor anglais) for several months, returned to Tasmania only to be seconded again, this time to the Victorian Symphony Orchestra (oboe).

Back again in Tasmania, his next move was to Wellington, New Zealand (1965-1974) to join NZBCSO (the New Zealand Broadcasting Corporation Symphony Orchestra) as Principal Cor anglais. During this time, in which he yo-yoed across Australasia, Harris tutored at the universities of Tasmania, Melbourne, and the Victoria University of Wellington. It was at the latter that he completed his degree in composition (with David Farquhar) in 1969. He was to return yet again to Tasmania at the end of 1974.

However, this time, he embraced a new career as a music educator with his move. His wealth of instrumental and orchestral experience was invaluable to his students. He also conducted the Tasmanian Junior Youth Orchestra for several years.

Harris was a dedicated member of policy committees, especially in Education and the Arts. A great listener to music and musicians, he served as music critic for *The Mercury*, Hobart's daily newspaper, for several years.

His *œuvre* consists mainly of chamber music, much of which has been performed and broadcast: *Microsymphony for Cor anglais Quartet* (cor anglais, string trio), *Oboe Quartet* (oboe, string trio), *Essay for Bassoon and Strings*, *Sonata for Viola and Piano*, amongst many other pieces and numerous arrangements for broadcasts and concerts.

His sense of fun has shown in many of his compositions including, *A Piece with Strawberry Jam*, *The Little Dog's Day* (Rupert Brooke), '*Paw de trois*' - *Three Dances for Canines* (for Woodwind Quintet, with movements dedicated to his dogs by name), *The Whitebait Fishers* –

"A sort of Donizetti-like spoof for harpsichord, string quartet and small choir, for which the producer of the hour-long national radio show penned the libretto for this, a special anniversary broadcast of the programme."

Harris orchestrated songs for symphony concerts, including a version of *The Last Rose of Summer* for Rita Streich (1920-1987). He also wrote, directed and even performed in advertising jingles, playing celesta, oboe, cor anglais or whatever was required.

Ian Harris moved back to Sydney definitively in 2000 and has since devoted himself to composition and a considerable *entourage* of cats (10) and dogs (5). He is a keen gardener and chef and a passionate enthusiast of the oboe d'amore. A close friend of Jennifer Paull, he has written many works for her.



The White Rose

Crystallised mists
to hoarfrost crept
budding sequins in their stillness

See the white rose

Snowflakes swirled
drifts piled high
growing velvet in their vastness

Touch the white rose

White horses tossed
ripe manes to surf
chorusing salt in their closeness

Smell the white rose

Billowing clouds
swept an evening sky
 fleeting like swans in their swiftness

Hear the white rose

Gentle petal
cruel thorn
only of both
is true love born

Taste the white rose

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The White Rose was completed in November 2005 and is a free setting of the poem with the same title by Jennifer I. Paull. This version is for countertenor (alto), oboe d'amore, harp and string quartet. I have endeavoured to respond in music to the evocation of the words. The work is also available in an alternative setting with the same solo voice and instruments accompanied by string orchestra. The orchestral version has the index number, AOR 003.

Ian Keith Harris
2006



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THE WHITE ROSE

Ian Keith Harris
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Poem: Jennifer I. Paull
(1944 -)

Gently (♩ = 72)

The musical score consists of seven staves. The top staff is for the Oboe d'amore, which plays a melodic line with grace notes and slurs. The second staff is for the Voice, which remains silent throughout the excerpt. The third staff is for the Harp, which plays sustained notes. The fourth staff is for Violin I, the fifth for Violin II, the sixth for Viola, and the bottom staff for Cello. All instruments play in common time at a tempo of ♩ = 72. The instrumentation includes an Oboe d'amore, Voice, Harp, Violin I, Violin II, Viola, and Cello.

❖ Concert Pitch

2

Ob.d'am.



6

H.p.

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vlc.

mp

Ob.d'am.



11

H.p.

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vlc.

mp

>



Ob.d'am. 15

Hp. 15

Vln. I 15

Vln. II 15

Vla. 15

Vlc. 15

Ob.d'am. 20

Hp. 20

Vln. I 20

Vln. II 20

Vla. 20

Vlc. 20

Ob.d'am.

24 *mp*

Crys tal ised mists _____ Cryst tal ised mists _____

Hp.

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vlc.

24

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vlc.

27

Ob.d'am.

27

to hoar frost crept _____

Hp.

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vlc.

27

ff A♭

mf

mf

mf

mf

Ob.d'am. 29

pp

crept budding se quins in their still

Hp. 29

Vln. I 29 p

Vln. II 29 p

Vla. 29 p

Vlc. 29 p

Ob.d'am. 31 mf

ness crept

Hp. 31 A \natural

Vln. I 31 f

Vln. II 31 f

Vla. 31 f

Vlc. 31 f

Ob.d'am.

34

budding se quins in their still ness

Hp.

Vln. I

mp

Vln. II

mp

Vla.

mp

Vlc.

mp

Ob.d'am.

37

f

See the white rose See the white rose

Hp.

B \flat , A \flat

Vln. I

mp

Vln. II

mp

Vla.

mp

Vlc.

mp

Ob.d'am.

40 *f f*

See _____ the White Ro.

Hp. { *f legato*

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vlc. *f*

Ob.d'am.

43

se

Hp. { *C#, Bb*

Vln. I *mp*

Vln. II *mp*

Vla. *mp*

Vlc. *mp*

Ob.d'am.

46

Hp.

46

legato f

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vlc.

46

p

p

p

mp

Ob.d'am.

48

Snow flakes swirled

Hp.

48

mf

C, E

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

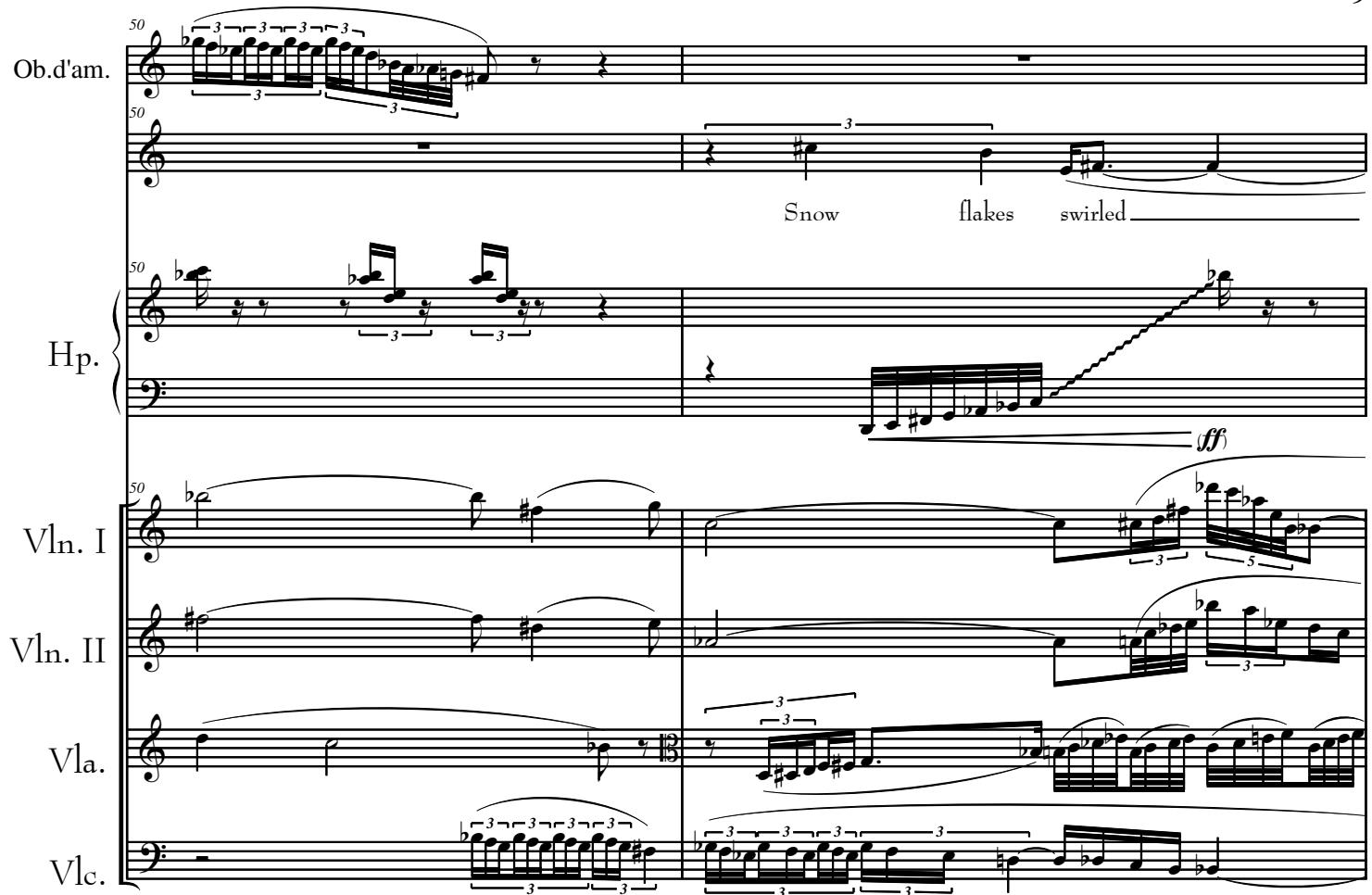
Vlc.

48

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3 - 3 - 3 - 3

Ob.d'am.

50 

Hp.

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vlc.

Snow flakes swirled

Ob.d'am.

52 

Hp.

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vlc.

drifts piled high drifts

F♯

(pp)

10

Ob.d'am. 54

54 piled high growing

Hp. 54 f B \natural , E \flat , F \sharp

Vln. I 54 mf

Vln. II 54 mf

Vla. 54 mf

Vlc. 54

Ob.d'am.

56

Hp.

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vlc.

velvet in their vastness

f

mf

mf

mf

mf

58

Ob.d'am.

58

Hp.

58

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vlc.

61

Ob.d'am.

61

Hp.

61

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vlc.

Ob.d'am.

64

Touch the white ro

Hp.

64

f legato

Vln. I

mf

Vln. II

mf

Vla.

mf

Vlc.

mf

Ob.d'am.

67

se

Hp.

67

C♯, F♯, A♯

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vlc.

70

Ob.d'am.

Hp.

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vlc.

f

White _____

71

mp

at the heel
mp

mf

72

Ob.d'am.

Hp.

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vlc.

white hor ses

white hor ses

White hor ses

8va

loco

73

mp

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74

Ob.d'am.

tossed _____

tossed _____

ripe manes _____

74

Hp.

Vln. I

mp

Vln. II

mp

Vla.

mp

Vlc.

76

Ob.d'am.

f

ripe manes to surf _____

76

Hp.

A♭

Giselle

A♯

Vln. I

f

Vln. II

Vla.

Vlc.

78

Ob.d'am.

78

cho rus ing salt in their close ness

78

Hp. { A♭ F♯ C♯

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vlc.

80

Ob.d'am.

80

cho rus ing salt in their

80

Hp. { A♯, F♯

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vlc.

16

Ob.d'am.

82

close ness ————— in their close ness

82

Hp.

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vlc.

Ob.d'am.

84

salt in their close ness Smell the

84

84

Hp.

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vlc.

Ob.d'am.

86

white rose Smell the white rose

Hp.

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vlc.

mf

pizz. arco

mf

Ob.d'am.

89

Smell the white ro...

Hp.

f legato

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vlc.

3

5

3

3

Ob.d'am.

92

Hp. {

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vlc.

se

D♭, F♯, A♯

Ob.d'am.

95

Bil low ing clouds Bil low ing clouds

Hp. {

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vlc.

p

mp

f

legato

pp

pp

pp

mp

mp

mp

99

Ob.d'am.

Hp.

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vlc.

pp 3
bil low ing clouds

pp

pp

pp

pp

mp 3
pp

102

Ob.d'am.

Hp.

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vlc.

swept an eve ning sky
bil low ing clouds swept an eve ning sky

pp

pp

pp

pp

pp

Ob.d'am.

105

mp — 3 —

105

mp — 3 —

fleeting like swans in their swift ness _____

Hp.

105

D \natural , E \natural , F \sharp , A \flat

mf — 5 — — 5 — — 5 — — 5 —

Vln. I

105

mp

Vln. II

105

mp

Vla.

105

mp

Vlc.

105

mp

Ob.d'am.

108

swift ness _____

Hp.

108

Hear the white rose ____

E \flat

Vln. I

108

mp — 3 —

Vln. II

108

mp

Vla.

108

mp

Vlc.

108

mp

Ob.d'am. *III*

Hear — the white — rose — Hear — the white — ro —

mp *mp*

Hp.

Vln. I *p*

Vln. II *p*

Vla. *p*

Vlc. *p*

Ob.d'am. *III*

114

se

Hp. C♯, E♯, F♯

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vlc.

Ob.d'am.

117

Hp. {

117

Vln. I

117

Vln. II

Vla.

Vlc.

pizz.

f

pizz.

f

pizz.

f

f

arco

f

arco

f

arco

f

f

Ob.d'am.

120

Hp. {

120

Vln. I

120

Vln. II

Vla.

Vlc.

legato

mp

f

f

f

f

Ob.d'am.

124 *mf*
Gen tle pe tal _____
cru el thorn

Hp. {
Vln. I
Vln. II
Vla.
Vlc.

Ob.d'am.

127 *mp*
Gen tle pe tal _____
cru el thorn _____

Hp. {
Vln. I
Vln. II
Vla.
Vlc.

Tempo 1 [♩ = 72]

Ob.d'am. 131

f *fz* *fz* *mp*

Gen tle pe tal

Hp. { E♭, A♯ B♯

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vlc. *p* *f* *mp* *mp*

mp

Ob.d'am. 135

cru el thorn on ly of both, on ly of both is

Hp.

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vlc. *3*

Ob.d'am.

139

3 true love true love born

Hp.

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vlc.

Ob.d'am.

143

Taste the white rose Taste the white

Hp.

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vlc.

146

Ob.d'am.

rose _____ Taste _____ the white ro _____

Hp.

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vlc.

149

Ob.d'am.

se Rose White Rose _____ White Rose _____

Hp.

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vlc.

pizz.

mf

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Oboe d'amore

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(1935 -)

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(1944 -)

Gently (♩ = 72)

mp f

9 > <f>

15 ff p >

20 mf

26

29 pp mf

34 f

40 2

Oboe d'amore

46 

49 

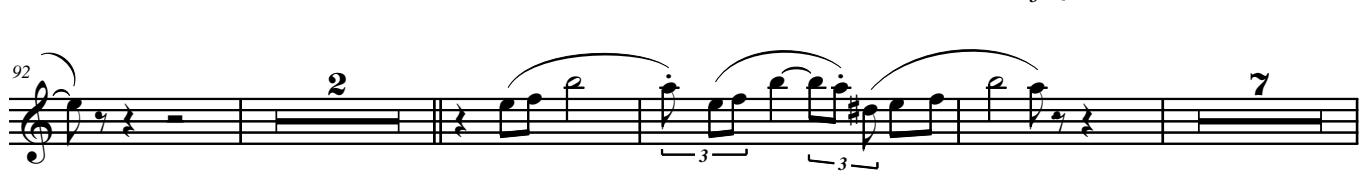
52 

62 

68 

79 

84 

92 

105 

111 

Oboe d'amore

3

Faster ($\text{♩} = 108$)

116 7

f fz fz mp

128

f fz fz mp

Tempo 1 [$\text{♩} = 72$]

133 6

143 5

The musical score for the Oboe d'amore part on page 3. The score is divided into four staves. Staff 1 begins at measure 116 with dynamic f , followed by fz , fz , and mp . Staff 2 begins at measure 128 with dynamic f , followed by fz , fz , and mp . Staff 3 begins at measure 133 with dynamic f , followed by fz , fz , and mp . Staff 4 begins at measure 143 with dynamic f , followed by fz , fz , and mp . Measure numbers 7, 6, and 5 are placed above the first, second, and third staves respectively. The tempo changes from *Faster* ($\text{♩} = 108$) to *Tempo 1* [$\text{♩} = 72$]. Measure 143 ends with a long rest.

Voice

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19 (strings) *mp*
Crystal ised mists—

25 —
Crys tal ised mists— to— hoar frost— crept— crept—

30 (Oboe d'amore) bud ding se quins in their still— ness crept

34 (Oboe d'amore) bud ding se quins in their still— ness See the white—

38 rose — See the white— rose —

40 *f* See— the White Ro— se 2

46 2 (barp) *mf* Snow flakes swirled—

50 — 3— Snow flakes swirled— drifts piled high— drifts piled high— grow ing

Voice

56 (1)

vel vet in their vast ness grow ing vel vet in their vast ness

(Oboe d'amore) **f**

(2) Touch the white rose Touch the white rose Touch the white

2

ro se

(cello) **f**

White white horses white horses White horses

tossed ripe manes to surf

cho ru sing salt in their close ness cho ru sing salt in their

close ness in their close ness salt in their close ness

Smell the white rose Smell the white rose

Smell the white ro se

(harp) **mp**

Bilowing clouds Bilowing clouds

Voice

3

(harp) 5
 99 (2) (harp gliss.) ***pp*** 3
 bil lowing clouds____swept an eve ning sky____ bil low ing clouds

104 ***mp*** 3
 ____swept an eve ning sky____ fleet ing like swans in their swift ness____

107 3 3
 ____ fleet ing like swans in their swift ness____ Hear the white____ rose____

111 ***mp*** 3
 Hear the white____ rose Hear the white ro____ se

Faster ($\text{d} = 108$)
 117 2 2 (harp) >(3) >> >>
 (4) (5)

124 ***mf***
 Gen tle pe tal____ cru el thorn Gen tle pe tal____ cru el thorn____

133 3
 Gen tle pe tal____ cru el thorn____ on ly of both, on ly of both is

139 3 3
 true____ love____ true____ love born____ Taste the white____ rose____

145 3 3
 Taste____ the White____ Ro se Taste____ the WhiteRo____

150
 _____se Rose White____ Rose____ White____ Rose_____

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Harp

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Gently (♩ = 72)

19

Measures 19 and 20 of the harp part. The music is in common time (C). The key signature changes from C major to G major at measure 20. Measure 19 starts with a single note followed by a sustained note. Measure 20 begins with a dynamic *f*. The notation includes various slurs and grace notes.

Measures 21 through 24 of the harp part. The music continues in common time (C) with a key signature of G major. Measures 21-23 show a repeating pattern of sixteenth-note chords. Measure 24 concludes with a dynamic *ff*.

Measures 25 through 28 of the harp part. The music remains in common time (C) and G major. Measures 25-27 continue the sixteenth-note chord pattern. Measure 28 ends with a dynamic *ff* and the notes A♭ and B.

Measures 29 and 30 of the harp part. The music is in common time (C) and G major. It features a fast sixteenth-note pattern followed by a sustained note in measure 30.

Measures 31 and 32 of the harp part. The music is in common time (C) and G major. It consists of a sixteenth-note pattern followed by sustained notes.

Harp

37

B \natural , A \flat

+ + + + + +

legato

41

+ + + + + +

42

C \sharp , B \flat

+ + + + + +

46

legato

+ + + + + +

48

C \sharp , E \sharp

+ + + + + +

50

F \sharp

ff + + + + + +

Harp

3

53

8

legato

65

67

C#, F#, A#

70

72

8^{va} - - -

73 (8^{va}) - - - loco

3

3

3

3

Harp

74

75

A_b

f

77

A_b

A_b

F[#]

79

C[#]

81

A_b, F[#]

84

F[#], A_b

5

5

Harp

5

legato

90

f

92

D \flat , F \sharp , A \sharp *f*

96

legato

100

pp

D \sharp , E \sharp , F \sharp , A \flat

106

mf

108

E \flat

2

AI EN 007

Harp

113

115

Faster (♩ = 108)

legato

119

2

C#, B, F#

mp

124

F#

127

E, F#

130

A#

E#

Harp

7

133 *Tempo 1 [♩ = 72]*

17

This block contains the first two staves of a harp score. The top staff is in treble clef and the bottom staff is in bass clef. Measure 133 starts with a rest followed by a note. Measure 140 starts with a note followed by a rest. A key signature of B major (two sharps) is indicated. Measure 140 concludes with a repeat sign and a double bar line.

150 *p*

This block contains the next two staves of the harp score. The top staff shows a series of eighth-note pairs with slurs and a dynamic marking 'p'. The bottom staff shows eighth-note pairs with slurs. Measures 150 through 157 are shown, each consisting of four such pairs.

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Violin I

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Violin I

15

20

27

34

40

46

51

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(1944 -)

Violin I

56

60

p

mp

mf

66

70

mp

72

mp

74

mp

77

79

81

2

fz

87

mf

91

Violin I

3

Sheet music for string instrument, featuring ten staves of musical notation with various dynamics, articulations, and performance instructions.

Measure 95: **pp**

Measure 101: **pp**, **mp**

Measure 108: **mp**, **p**

Measure 114: **pizz.**, **f**

Measure 119: **arco**, **f**, **mp**

Measure 125: **f**

Measure 130: **Tempo 1 [♩ = 72]**, **mp**

Measure 136

Measure 143

Measure 149

Violin II

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(1944 -)

Gently (♩ = 72)

10

15

20

26

33

41

46

50

Violin II

54 *mf*

58 *p* *mp*

64 *mf*

70 *mp*

72

74 *mp*

76

78

80 *fz*

85

87 *mf*

Violin II

3

91

96

101

108

114

Faster ($\text{♩} = 108$)

119

125

Tempo 1 [$\text{♩} = 72$]

139

147

153

Detailed description: The sheet music consists of ten staves of musical notation for Violin II. The first staff (measures 91-95) starts with a dynamic of p , followed by pp at measure 101. The second staff (measures 96-100) shows a transition with a dynamic of f . The third staff (measures 101-105) includes dynamics of pp and mp . The fourth staff (measures 108-112) features dynamics of mp and p . The fifth staff (measures 114-118) includes dynamics of $pizz.$ and f , with a tempo instruction of *Faster* ($\text{♩} = 108$). The sixth staff (measures 119-123) has dynamics of f and mp . The seventh staff (measures 125-129) ends with a dynamic of p . The eighth staff (measures 133-137) starts with f and ends with mp . The ninth staff (measures 139-143) ends with a dynamic of p . The tenth staff (measures 147-151) ends with a dynamic of p .

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Viola

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Gently (♩ = 72)

1 9 14 20 26 34 42 49 52

p *pp*

p <*mf*> *p* <*f*> *p* *f* <*p*>

mp *mp* <*f*> *p*

mp *p*

mf

Viola

56

mf

61

p *mp* *mf*

67

at the heel

mp

71

74

mp

76

78

80

82

84

86

mf

Viola

3

89

95

pp

104

mp

mp

111

pizz.

faster ($\text{♩} = 108$)

arco

f

123

mp

129

Tempo 1 [$\text{♩} = 72$]

mp

137

144

149

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'Cello

THE WHITE ROSE

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(1935 -)

Poem: Jennifer I. Paull
(1944 -)

Gently ($\text{♩} = 72$)

10

15

20

26

33

42

47

50

'Cello

53 

58 *pizz. arco*

66

72 *mp*

76

81

82

83

85 *pizz. arco*

92 *mp* *mp* *mp* >

98 *pp* *mp* > *mp*

'Cello

3

104

110

114

Faster ($\text{♩} = 108$)

119

127

Tempo 1 [$\text{♩} = 72$]

133

141

147

pizz.

mf

The sheet music for the Cello part consists of seven staves of musical notation. Staff 1 (measures 104-110) starts with a dynamic of *mp*. Staff 2 (measure 110) includes a dynamic of *p* and a measure repeat sign. Staff 3 (measure 114) ends with a dynamic of *f*. Staff 4 (measure 119) is marked *Faster* with a tempo of $\text{♩} = 108$. Staff 5 (measure 127) continues the faster tempo. Staff 6 (measure 133) is marked *Tempo 1* with a tempo of $\text{♩} = 72$. Staff 7 (measure 141) shows a continuation of the slower tempo. Staff 8 (measure 147) concludes with a dynamic of *mf* and the instruction *pizz.*