

Giovanni Gabrieli

Canzon Septimi Toni a 8,
(3rd Canzona of 1597, Ch172)

arranged for two
4-part Cello groups

Performance note.

The two groups of cellos should be physically separated as far as possible to give the maximal antiphonal effects typical of works by Gabrieli composed for performance in St Marks' in Venice. While his Canzona are commonly played by two groups of brass instruments, often on balconies on either side of a church, the original scores do not specify particular instruments.

The suggested metronome markings are typical of various recordings by brass ensembles. This gives a running time of about 3 minutes.

A less brisk tempo may be appropriate for this cello arrangement, however.

Dynamic markings are unspecified in the original score, but some broad suggestions are given, which can be ignored at will. There is also scope for varying timbres. For example, a brass fanfare effect at the beginning and bar 32, a viol effect at bar 8 and bar 37; a trombone/sackbutt effect at bar 24 etc. Bowings, phrasings, articulations etc have been left to the discretion of the players.

The original 4/2 and 3/2 notation has been changed to 4/4 and 3/4 for ease of reading.

This arrangement was made for James Halsey and members of the Giant Cello Ensemble to perform in 2012 as part of the annual Aboyne Cello Festival in Aberdeenshire Scotland.

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♩=100

The image displays a musical score for two groups of cello parts, Group I and Group II. Each group consists of four staves, labeled Group I_Cello1 through Group I_Cello4 and Group II_Cello1 through Group II_Cello4. The score is written in 3/4 time and features a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The first measure of each staff is marked with a forte (f) dynamic. The notation includes various rhythmic patterns, including eighth and sixteenth notes, and rests. The score is presented in a clean, professional layout with a white background and black notation.

5 *rit.* **A** $\text{♩} = 50$

Vcl_1

Vcl_2

Vcl_3

Vcl_4

VclI_1

VclI_2

VclI_3

VclI_4

mp

Soli

mp

mp

mp



11

Vcl_1

Vcl_2

Vcl_3

Vcl_4

VclI_1

VclI_2

VclI_3

VclI_4

mp

mp

mp

mp

19 **B** ♩=100

Vcl_1 *f*

Vcl_2 *f*

Vcl_3 *f*

Vcl_4 *f*

VclI_1 *f*

VclI_2 *f*

VclI_3 *f*

VclI_4 *f*



24 **C**

Vcl_1 *mf*

Vcl_2 *mf*

Vcl_3 *mf*

Vcl_4 *mf*

VclI_1 *mf*

VclI_2 *mf*

VclI_3 *mf*

VclI_4 *mf*

Violin I (Vcl_1) and Violin II (VclII_1) parts are in the treble clef. Violin III (Vcl_3) and Violin IV (Vcl_4) are in the bass clef. Viola I (VclII_2) and Viola II (VclII_3) are in the bass clef. Viola III (VclII_4) is in the bass clef. The score shows measures 28 through 31. Measures 28 and 29 feature active eighth-note patterns in the Violin I and II parts. Measures 30 and 31 feature sustained notes with a forte (*f*) dynamic marking.



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36

Vcl_1

Vcl_2

Vcl_3

Vcl_4

VclI_1

VclI_2

VclI_3

VclI_4

Soli

f

f

p (echo group I)

p (echo group I)

p (echo group I)

p (echo group I)

p (echo group I)



40

Vcl_1

Vcl_2

Vcl_3

Vcl_4

VclI_1

VclI_2

VclI_3

VclI_4

f

f

f

f

f

f

f

44

F

Vcl_1

Vcl_2

Vcl_3

Vcl_4

VclI_1

VclI_2

VclI_3

VclI_4

f

p

f

p

f

p

f

p



G

49

Vcl_1

Vcl_2

Vcl_3

Vcl_4

VclI_1

VclI_2

VclI_3

VclI_4

f

f

f

p (echo group I)

p (echo group I)

p (echo group I)

p (echo group I)

53 H $\text{♩} = 50$

Vcl_1 *mf*

Vcl_2 *mf*

Vcl_3 *mf*

Vcl_4 *mf*

VclI_1 *mf*

VclI_2

VclI_3

VclI_4



59

Vcl_1

Vcl_2 *Soli*

Vcl_3

Vcl_4

VclI_1

VclI_2 *mf*

VclI_3 *mf*

VclI_4 *mf*

66 **I** $\text{♩} = 100$

Vcl_1 *f*

Vcl_2 *f*

Vcl_3 *f*

Vcl_4 *f*

VclI_1 *f*

VclI_2 *f*

VclI_3 *f*

VclI_4 *f*



70 **J**

Vcl_1 *ff*

Vcl_2 *ff*

Vcl_3 *ff*

Vcl_4 *ff*

VclI_1 *ff*

VclI_2 *ff*

VclI_3 *ff*

VclI_4 *ff*

75

Vcl_1

Vcl_2

Vcl_3

Vcl_4

VclI_1

VclI_2

VclI_3

VclI_4

76

77

78

[illegible]