

Une Vie | A Life | חיים

For Orchestra

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A Piece in Five Movements:

Naissance | Birth | לידה

Adolescence | נעורים

Maturité | Adulthood | בגרות

Vieillesse | Old Age | זקנה

Désir | Longing | געגוע

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Ca. 12 min.

Dedicated to my beloved late grandmother, Debra Kook

Instrumentation:

Flute/Piccolo solo
Flute
2 Oboes
2 Clarinets in Bb
2 Bassoons
2 Horns in F
2 Trumpets in Bb
2 Trombones
Bass Trombone
3 Timpani
Snare Drum
Suspended cymbol
Glockenspiel
Harp
Violin I
Violin II
Viola
Violoncello
Contrabass

Personal note:

My deeply beloved grandmother, Debra, died in October 2020, one month before her 77th birthday, after more than a year of suffering from dementia. Since then she has been strongly missed, every day. Coping with her death and with her illness before that, raised many thoughts and questions about life, death, family, hope, continuity and more. In this piece, dedicated to my beloved grandmother, I tried to express those thoughts and feelings. I tried to form different images into music: birth, childhood, growing up, my grandmother's short old age, before her rapid decline, and the life after death, for both the living on this earth, and the dead, wherever we imagine they might be.

With her picture on my desk and her spirit in my heart, my grandmother forever continues to be with me. This piece is dedicated to your memory, Savta, one of many ways to keep the flame of your love, and the many things you taught me, in the world.

Mouvment 1: Naissance | Birth | לידה

Link for listening: <https://youtu.be/UA4HMzltg3E>

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♩ = 70 Expectantly

Piccolo

Flute 2

2 Oboes

2 Clarinets in Bb

2 Bassoons

2 Horns in F

2 Trumpets in Bb

2 Trombones

Bass Trombone

Timpani

Harp

Violin I

Violin II

Viola

Violoncello

Contrabass

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Picc.

Fl.

Ob.

Cl.

Bsn.

Hn.

Tpt.

Tbn.

B. Tbn.

Timp.

Hp.

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

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Picc. *f* *p* *f* *p* *f* *p*

Fl. *mp* *mf*

Ob. *f p* *pp* *mf p*

Cl. *f p* *pp* *mp* *mf* *p*

Bsn. *f p* *pp*

Hn. *f p* *pp*

Tpt. *f p* *pp*

Tbn. *f p* *pp*

B. Tbn. *f p* *pp*

Timp. *f p* *pp*

Hp.

Vln. I *f p* *pp*

Vln. II *f p* *pp*

Vla. *f p* *pp*

Vc. *f p* *pp*

Cb. *f p* *pp*

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Picc. *f* *p* *f*

Fl.

Ob.

Cl.

Bsn. 1. solo dolce *mp* *f*

Hn. 1. solo dolce *mp* *mf*

Tpt.

Tbn.

B. Tbn.

Timp.

Hp.

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

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Picc. *dim.* *p* *pp*

Fl. *mp*

Ob. *mp*

Cl. *mp* *mf* *p* *pp*

Bsn. *p* *pp*

Hn. *mp* *mf* *p* *pp*

Tpt.

Tbn. *p*

B. Tbn.

Timp.

Hp.

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

Mouvment 2: Adolescence | נעורים

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Picc. *mf*

Fl.

Ob. 1. *mf*

Cl.

Cl.

Bsn. *mf*

Hn.

Tpt. 1. *mp*

Tbn.

B. Tbn.

Timp.

Perc.

Cym.

Hp. *p*

Vln. I *mf*

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.