

Francesca Caccini's

Sinfonia from La liberazione di Ruggiero

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Instrumentation:

- 8 Violin I
- 8 Violin II
- 5 Violin III
- 5 Viola
- 5 Violoncello
- 5 Contrabass



Sinfonia
for string orchestra

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Moderately ♩ = 100

Violin I
Violin II
Violin III (dbl. Viola)
Viola
Cello
Contrabass

COPY

1 2 3 4 5 6 7

This section shows the first seven measures of the musical score. The instrumentation includes Violin I, Violin II, Violin III (doubled as Double Bass), Viola, Cello, and Contrabass. Measure 1 starts with Violin I and II. Measures 2-7 show a variety of parts playing, with dynamic markings like *mf*. A large red diagonal watermark "COPY" is overlaid across the measures.

Vln. I
Vln. II
Vln. III
Vla.
Vc.
Cb.

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8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15

This section shows measures 8 through 15. The instrumentation remains the same: Vln. I, Vln. II, Vln. III, Vla., Vc., and Cb. A large red diagonal watermark "PER USA legal use requires purchase" is overlaid across the measures. A gray circle highlights the beginning of measure 8.

Vln. I
Vln. II
Vln. III
Vla.
Vc.
Cb.

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16 17 18 19 20 21

This section shows measures 16 through 21. The instrumentation is the same as previous sections. A large red diagonal watermark "PER USA legal use requires purchase" is overlaid across the measures.

Fast $\text{d} = 50$

Vln. I
Vln. II
Vln. III
Vla.
Vc.
Cb.

f

22 23 24 25 26 27 28

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29

Vln. I
Vln. II
Vln. III
Vla.
Vc.
Cb.

p

29 30 31 32 33 34

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Tempo I $\text{d} = 100$

Vln. I
Vln. II
Vln. III
Vla.
Vc.
Cb.

35 36 37 38 39 40

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About:

Francesca Caccini (1587 - 1641) was an Italian composer, singer, and lutenist in the early Baroque era. She composed extensively for both voice and strings, and her only surviving stage work, *La liberazione di Ruggiero dall'isola d'Alcina* (The Liberation of Ruggiero from the island of Alcina) is widely considered to be the first opera written by a woman composer. The work is a comic opera in four scenes that tells the story of Ruggerio, a knight who has been bewitched by the evil sorceress Alcina, and his subsequent escape from Alcina's island with the help of Melissa, the good sorceress.

This sinfonia begins the opera, much like an overture in later operatic works. The original score calls for three treble instruments and one bass instrument. What makes this piece interesting is the use of horizontal harmony rather than the vertical harmony that our 21st century ears are used to. The top three voices cross over each other constantly which creates a captivating musical conversation.

General Performance Notes

The tempos indicated are approximations based on live performances referenced during the arranging process. You may use slower or faster tempos if you wish.

DURATION: 1'23"



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