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# THE THAWING OF A LAKE

STRING QUARTET

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## INSTRUMENTATION:

Violin I  
Violin II  
Viola  
Cello



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MUSIC.**

## ABOUT:

Extracted from The Eloquent Earth, The Thawing of a Lake explores modality and the minor key, as well as unpredictable rhythmic changes and melodic lines that will keep everyone on their toes.

DURATION: 6'00"



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from "The Eloquent Earth"

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Score

for String Quartet

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**Espress.** ♩ = 155

Violin I *mp*

Violin II *mp*

Viola *mp*

Cello *mp*

11 *2.*

♩ = 165

*mf*

*mf*

*mf*

*mf*

21 *1.* *2.*

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## The Thawing of a Lake

♩ = 185

30

1. 2. (arco)

pizz.

f

(pizz.)

(arco)

39

1. 2.

arco

arco

47

*poco rit.*

*pp*

*pp*

*pp*

*pp*

*mp*

## Moderato, With a Blues Feel

55

*mf* espress.

*f* espress.

66

*f* espress.

*f* espress.

77

Adagio *p*

*p*

*p*

*p*

*p*

Moderato *mf* pizz.

*mp* pizz.

*mp* pizz.

*mp*

1.

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90 2.

arco

99

arco

*f*

*mp*

*mp*

*mp*

109 1. 2.

*mf*

*mf*

*mf*

*mf*

*mf*

*mf*

119

119

129

129

138

1. 2.

Vivace

138

148

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154

*p* *ppp*

159

*mp* *espress* *p* *pp* *rall.*

165 *a tempo* *rall.*

*mf* *mp* *mp* *mp* *ppp* *ppp* *ppp* *ppp*

170 ♩ = 100

*mf espress.* *mf* *mf* *mf* *mf*

176

1. 2.

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*rall.* *a tempo*

181

*f* *pp* *mp*

186

*ff* *f* *mf* *mf*

191

*f* *f* *f*

The image displays a musical score for a piece titled "The Thawing of a Lake". The score is written for four staves: two treble clefs (likely for piano and violin) and two bass clefs (likely for cello and double bass). The key signature is one sharp (F#). The tempo markings are "rall." (rallentando) and "a tempo". The score is divided into three systems, with measure numbers 181, 186, and 191 indicated at the beginning of each system. Dynamics include fortissimo (f), pianissimo (pp), mezzo-piano (mp), fortissimo (ff), mezzo-forte (mf), and forte (f). A large, diagonal red watermark reading "PERUSAL COPY" is overlaid across the entire page, with the text "legal use requires purchase" written in a smaller font below it.

196

*pp* *fff* *ff*

199

*f* *mf* *mp*

202

*p* *pp* *ppp*

*rall.*