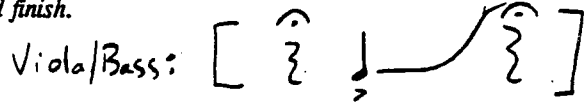


Resting on the Alien Garden of your Forehead (Lan Ling)

Text: Lara Candland
 Music: Christian Asplund

Read the following text calmly, beautifully, starkly, three or more times. The first vocalist begins, then the second vocalist begins ("I am. . .") as the first vocalist says child. The passage is repeated until the two vocalists are only about one word out of phase with each other and finish.

I am pausing in this garden--
 here I will bear your ²child
 while leaning against malformed stones.



i.e. Intermittent "shrieks" with plenty of space in between. Not too loud.

sub. f - Heavy, hoarse, masculine chest voice

Voices ②

f Why Is It Your Forehead Is Large / Enough To Contain Me But
 Your Heart Has Locked Me Out
 So Rudely?

Vla/Bs

Continue Shrieks

Very low pitch; breathy

sub. mp

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Voice 1: I Pause Rest Push Holding These Heavy Rocks

Voice 2: Pause Rest Push Holding These Heavy Rocks

③

Shrieks

Solo Voice - Whisped

④

Alone / I will Deliver A Baby, Detach Then Left Me:
 Her Cord With A Bite And Curse Forever Discontent.
 The Night You Came To Me

Viola

Bass

PP

PP

(Resting...) 2

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3-4x

3-4x

Voice 1
A-lone I Will De-li-ver A Ba-by, De-tach The Cord With A

Voice 2
A-lone I Will De-

Viola

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Bite And Curse The Night You Came To Me And Left Me For-e-ver Dis-con-

li-ver A Baby De-tach The Cord With A Bite And Curse The Night You Came To

(2nd Time - continue playing this drone until Fine)

2 1 2 1 2 1 2

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Fine (3rd Time)

3x-4x

3x-4x

3x-4x

tent. A-lone I Will De-li-ver A Baby De-

Me And Left Me: For-e-ver Dis-con-tent. A-

Fine (2nd Time) 3x-4x