

**Darren Fellows**

**Lied**

**for cello & piano (2005)**

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***Lied*** is a contemporary and haunting cello work, originally composed for the National Eisteddfod, Llangollen in Wales. The piece is written for the more advanced player and is a challenging yet beautiful work demonstrating the tone and versatility of the cello.

*Lied* is a short piece with a 'Russian-like' quality to it in its sonority and expressive phrases. The minor key in which the piece is written lends itself to the sad and melancholy mood of this songlike work. *Lied* explores the full range of the cello and the intensity of the extreme high phrases oozes angst and grief.

The work concludes with an optional cello line played freely; this flurry of descending notes depicting falling tears.

This emotive work gives the cellist the opportunity to demonstrate the expressive sound of the cello. The feeling of freedom and the mournful yet truly beautiful melody lines reach deep into the heart of the listener.

Cellist Steven Isserlis, having played *Lied*, describes the work as: "*very attractive and eminently playable!*".

Duration: 2'50'

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Moderato doloroso ♩ = 74

Violoncello

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Piano

*molto sostenuto*  
*mf*

*mp*

Ped. (sim)

Vc.

*mp cantabile*

*mp*

Pno

*mp*

Vc.

*agitato*

*mf* *cresc.*

Pno

*mf* *cresc.*

17

Vc. *f rit.*

Pno *f rit. mf con espressione*

21

Vc. *mp*

Pno *mp*

26

Vc. *mp*

Pno *mp*

31

Vc. *mf* *cresc.* *f* *rit.*

Pno *mf* *cresc.* *rit.* *f* *appassionato*

36

Vc.

pizz.

arco.

mf dolce

Pno

mf

42

Vc.

f

Pno

f

47

Vc.

mf

rit.

Pno

mf

rit.

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