

Eidolon

A Chamber Opera

featuring the poetry of
H.D.

Sid Richardson
(2024)

Eidolon

Dramatis Personae

Helen	Soprano
Eidolon.....	Mezzo-soprano
Achilles.....	Countertenor

Instrumentation

Clarinet in Bb

Percussion - Frame Drum, Ocean Drum, Resonant Metal, Seed-pod Shaker, Vibraphone (with bass bows)

Harp

Duration

25 minutes

Performance Notes

All of the ensemble members are called upon to vocalize in the manner of a Greek chorus. Whispered sections should be projected as much as possible without vibrating the vocal cords.

The fixed media sound design cues should be played back in stereo through the house PA system. Adjust the levels to the performance space.



= A long pause of indefinite length

Clarinet

Slap tongue is indicated with an X through the stem of the note to which it applies.

Harp

X noteheads indicate to tap on the soundboard with fingertips.

Scrapes on wire strings are indicated with a direction and relative speed. These may be executed with fingernails or a plectrum of some kind, such as a guitar pick or metal spoon.

Pedal buzz effects are indicated with a Z through the stem of the note to which it applies. Hold the given pedal in between positions to create a harsh buzzing as the plate makes contact with the vibrating string.

The indication "thunder effect" calls for the harpist to execute a strong slide with the rubber tuning key that causes the wire strings to strike against each other.

Texts

All texts from *Helen in Egypt* (1961) by Hilda Doolittle, used with permission New Directions Publishing Corp.

PROGRAM NOTES

Eidolon, for soprano, mezzo-soprano, actor (countertenor), and mixed chamber ensemble, sets to music poetry from *Helen in Egypt* (1961) by Hilda Doolittle (aka H.D.), a semi-dramatic lyric narrative that revisits and rewrites the myth of Helen of Troy. I am drawn to H.D.'s late poem because of its relation to themes that interest me in my own work, namely multiple identity, mysticism, memory, dream states, and Greek drama. According to H.D. and Euripides in his play *Helen*, the Helen that went to Troy was an *eidolon*, a phantom or specter "conjured out of air" by the gods. H.D. takes this idea and runs with it in her own epic poem, which takes the form of a series of three-line choral stanzas interspersed with prose.

My new work deemphasizes traditional narrative in favor of new dramaturgies rooted in the psyche of the heroine, Helen. The structure of *Eidolon* springs out of the form of H.D.'s poem. It begins with Helen's own "defense" or "pallinode"—a song to counter the negative portrayals of Helen in traditional texts. She is aware of how negatively she has been defined by the masculine world, which H.D. associates with death, war, chaos—Sigmund Freud's "death drive." The journey of Helen over the course of the work is one in which she ultimately transcends male definitions of womanhood by negating them through a commitment to life and love. At the end of the full chamber opera, she merges with the poem's mother Goddess, Thetis, in an ecstatic final aria. This version of the chamber opera comprises the first two scenes, which may be performed as a standalone piece.

The other characters consist of Helen's foil, the *eidolon* or "fake" Helen (of Troy), who represents woman as body/spectacle/desired object. Musically she is both pitted against the real Helen (of Egypt), and at times combined with her to reflect the dualities in H.D.'s complex poem. In the H.D., Achilles has been returned to Egypt over Lethe, the river of forgetfulness in the underworld, after his death at Troy. His memory of the Trojan War has been wiped, but vestiges of that trauma remain in his interactions with his new mate, Helen. For example, this two-scene version of the work ends with Achilles assaulting Helen after he has been triggered by her mention of his mother. He is portrayed by an actor because for the majority of the work he has forgotten how to sing, the masculine "death-cult" of the Greek army at Troy has separated him from his feminine side. As he gradually remembers his love for his mother, the sea goddess Thetis, he moves away from the masculine world of war, and, over the course of the work, is reborn as the "new Mortal." In the end of the full opera, he rediscovers his singing voice. The ensemble of three instrumentalists, clarinet, harp, and percussion, function as a Greek chorus. They augment their instrumental parts with vocalizations that comment on the drama and they interact with the onstage Helen.

This work was developed under the aegis of the Longy School of Music of Bard College, and was premiered there in Edward M. Pickman Hall on March 2, 2024.

Eidolon

I. The Amen-Temple

Setting: inside a huge Egyptian temple by the sea.

II. The Beach

Setting: outside the Amen-Temple on the beachhead.

Transposed Score

Eidolon

Hilda Doolittle
(1886-1961)

I. The Amen-Temple

Sid Richardson
(b. 1987)

Senza Misura, Introduction

[Egypt: In the sanctuary of the Amen-Temple, sand falls from the ceiling in half-light; musicians enter and take their places.]

Score for the Introduction of "I. The Amen-Temple":

- Helen (soprano)**: Treble clef, 4/4 time. Rest for 3 measures, then a half note G4.
- Eidolon (mezzo-soprano)**: Treble clef, 4/4 time. Rest for 3 measures, then a half note G4.
- Achilles (actor)**: Bass clef, 4/4 time. Rest for 3 measures, then a half note G2.
- Clarinet in B $\flat$** : Treble clef, 4/4 time. Rest for 3 measures, then a half note G4.
- Percussion**: 4/4 time. **Ocean Drum** swirling *ad lib.* to evoke waves; continue for circa 3-4' until harp enters then slowly fade out. Dynamics: *pp* $\rightarrow$ *mf* $\rightarrow$ *pp* $\rightarrow$ *mf* $\rightarrow$ *pp sim.*
- Sound Design**: 4/4 time. Cue 1: Sand continues from house opening... Cue 2: Voiceover 1: "We all know the story of Helen of Troy..."
- Harp**: Treble and Bass clefs, 4/4 time. Rest for 3 measures, then a half note G4 in the treble and a half note G2 in the bass.

A ♩ = 66 Floating, Misterioso

[Helen, crouching on the floor, draws designs in the sand that she attempts to interpret.]

Score for Section A:

- Cl.**: Treble clef. Rest for 3 measures, then a half note G4.
- Hp.**: Treble and Bass clefs. Treble: *p* (piano). Bass: *mf* (mezzo-forte) then *p* (piano). The harp part consists of a series of chords and single notes in the bass register, with a crescendo leading to a *mf* section and then a *p* section.

4

Helen *mf* *p* *3* *5*
Do not de - spair the hosts surg-ing be-neath the

Cl. *pp*

Hp. *mp* *p*

7

Helen *mf* *mp* half-spoken
walls no more than I are ghosts

Cl. *p* *pp* *p* *mp* *3* *3*

Hp.

10

ord. *mf* *p* *mp sotto voce* *3*
Do not be - wail the Fall the scene is emp-ty and I am a-lone

Cl. *pp* *p dolce*

Hp.

13 *ord.*
mf *reverently* *p* *mp* *<*

Helen yet in this A men tem - ple I hear their voic-es there is no veil be-tween us on-ly space and

Cl. *pp*

Hp.

**B** ♩ = 69

16 *freely*
mf *p* *< f* *mf* *sim.*

Helen lei - sure_ and long co - ri - dors long co - ri - dors

Cl. *mp*

Hp.



♩ = 63

19 *p tranquillo* *mp*

Helen long co - ri - dors_ of lo - tus bud furled on the

Cl. *p* *mp*

Hp. *mf*

spoken

22

Helen *mf* pil - lars and the lo - tus flow - er *f* un - furled *mf = p* A - men *mf* (or

Cl. *mf* *p*

Hp. *p* *mf* *p* *mf*

25

Helen *ord. mp* Zeus as we call him) brought me here *f* fear no - thing of the fu - ture or the past *p*

Cl. *sfz* *ppp* *p* *pp* *p* *mf*

Hp. *sfz* *mp* *p* *mp*

29

Helen *mf* He God will guide you *f* bring you to this place *mp* the old en - chant ment holds

Cl. *pp* *mp* *pp*

Hp. *p* *mf* *mf*

$\text{♩} = 72$

33 *mf*

Helen here there is peace for He-le-na He-len hat-ed of all Greece

Cl. *p* *< mp* *pp*

Sound

Hp. *f* *p*

Sound design cue 3: Voiceover 2
"Lethe, as we all know..."

C ♩ = 60 Freely

[Helen, fed up with trying to read the Amen-script in the sand, violently swipes it aside with her hand.]

spoken in a sing-songy manner

The potion is not poison, it is not Lethe and forgetfulness but everlasting memory, the glory
and the beauty of the ships, the wave that bore them onward and the shock of hidden shoal...

38

Helen

Ocean Drum
swirl *ad lib.*

Perc. *pp*

Hp. *mf* *l.v.*

♩ = 76 Sostenuto misterioso

[Helen goes back to reading the picture-writing.]

39 *ord. p* *< mf* *3* *> mp* *3* *> p* **4x**

Helen in the night ev-er-last-ing ev-er-last-ing noth-ing-ness and leth-ar-gy of wait-ing

Perc. **Frame Drum** **4x** *p*

D ♩ = 42 **Largo misterioso**

44

voice (Cl.) *poco f* whisper (stacc.)
Let me for - get

Cl.

voice (Perc.) whisper (stacc.)
Let me for - get

Perc. **Frame Drum** with fingertips circular scraping with fingernails ord. sim. ϕ
p *mf* *pp* *p* *pp* *mf*

voice (Hp.)

Hp. *p* *poco sfz* scrape up with fingernail



48

voice (Cl.) *p* whisper (stacc.)
let me be lost

Cl.

voice (Perc.) *p* whisper (stacc.)
let me be lost

Perc. ord. sim. ord.
pp *mp* *p*

voice (Hp.) *p* whisper (stacc.)
let me be lost

Hp. *pp* *mp*

[Helen perceives the shadow of Achilles behind the scrim and stands up to face it.]

52 *mf*

Helen

How? how did we greet each oth-er here in this A - men tem-ple

Ocean Drum
swirl

Perc.

pp *poco* *sim.* *mp* hit the shell

55 *mp* *f* *mf* *p*

Helen

I have all time... to re-mem-ber he comes he goes

swirl

Perc.

p *mf* *pp* *mf secco* *p* *pp* swirl hit the shell

[Helen goes back to trying to read the Amen-script in the sand.]

58 *pp* *p* *pp* *p* *pp* *p*

Cl.

Sound design cue 4: Voiceover 3

"The Great Amen, Ammon, or Amun Temple still stands..."

Sound

mp *p* *mp* *pp* *mp* *p*

Hp.

61 *pp* *mf* *p*

Cl.

mp *p* *pp* *mf*

Hp.

[Helen again perceives the shadow of Achilles behind the scrim and moves quickly to face it.]

64 *mf* curious

Helen How? how did we greet each oth-er here in this A - men tem - ple

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

Hp. *mp* *p* *mp* *pp* *mp* *p*



67 *p* *f* *mf*

Helen I have all time_ to re - mem - ber

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

Hp. *mp* *p* *pp* *mp*

70

Helen *mf* *p* *mf* *p* *mp* *poco f*

few were the words we said nor knew each oth-er nor asked are you Spi-rit?

Eidolon *pp* whisper

are you

Voice (Cl.) *pp* whisper

are you

Voice (Perc.) *pp* whisper

are you

Voice (Hp.) *pp* whisper

are you



73

Helen *mf* *f* *mf* 3

are you sis-ter? are you bro-ther? are you a-live? are you dead?

Eidolon *pp sim.* 3 *mf* 3

Spi-rit? are you a-live? are you? are you?

Voice (Cl.) *pp sim.* 3 *mf* 3

Spi-rit? are you a-live are you? are you?

Voice (Perc.) *pp sim.* 3 *mf* 3

Spi-rit? are you a-live? are you? are you?

Voice (Hp.) *pp sim.* 3 *mf* 3

Spi-rit? are you a-live? are you? are you?

F $\text{♩} = \text{♩} (\text{♩} = 42)$ **Largo Misterioso**

[The shadow of Achilles fades and Helen turns away dejectedly. She goes back to the picture-writing.]

76

ord.

ppp

mf

p

Frame Drum with fingertips

circular scraping with nails

Let me go out

(f) whisper (stacc.)

ord.

mf

slow scrape down with plectrum/nail

mf

tap on the soundboard

mf

Let me go out

(f) whisper (stacc.)

79

(f) whisper (stacc.)

go out

Let me for - get

for - get

sim.

p

mf

p

whisper

Let me for - get

tap sim.

mf

ord.

mp

$\text{♩} = \text{♩} (\text{♩} = 63)$

[Helen perceives the shadow of Achilles behind the scrim and jumps up to face it.]

82 *mf*

Helen

How? how did we greet each oth - er here in this

Ocean Drum
circular scraping

Perc.

poco

G $\text{♩} = 72 - 76$ Brittle

[Helen breaks off as if she were snapping out of a trance. She addresses an unseen army of Greek soldiers.]

85 *ff feroce > f*

Helen

A-las my broth-ers He-len did not walk up-on the ram-parts

Cl.

sfpp

Resonant Metal
Seedpod Shaker

Perc.

sfz mp sempre *swirl* *tr* *sfz (mp)* *sfz*

Hp.

ffff sempre molto secco

sim.

[Eidolon appears across the stage.]

88 *ff* *f* *mf*

Helen

she whom you cursed was but the phan-tom and the shad-ow thrown of a re-flec-tion

Cl.

< p *mp* *mf* *> p*

Perc.

sim.

Hp.

91 *mp placid* *f* *mp* *f knowingly*

Helen

you are for-giv-en for I know my own I know my

Cl.

pp *mp* *ppp* *mp*

Perc.

Hp.

mf

sim. (ffff)



[Eidolon disappears off stage.]

94 *mp* *f* *p* *mf* *p*

Helen

own for I know my own God for his own

Cl.

p *mf cantabile* *p*

Perc.

tr *pp* *mp*

Hp.

ffff sempre secco

97 *mp* *mf* *f*

Helen *pur- pose wills it so that I for - sak - en draw to me through mag - ic*

Cl. *ppp* *mf* *poco*

Perc.

Hp. *sim.*



99 *f* *ff* *mf*

Helen *great - er than tri - al of arms your in - vin - ci - ble un - chal - lenged Sire Lord of your le - gions*

Cl. *fp*

Perc.

Hp.

[Helen extends her arms to Achilles who emerges, limping.
He avoids eye contact with Helen and proceeds to slowly begin gathering imaginary sticks from off the floor.]

104

p *lovingly mf* >

Helen

A - chil - les

Cl.

p *ppp*

Perc.

p *mf* *l.v.*

Hp.

mp *f* *l.v.*

107

Cl.

p

ppp

Perc.

pp

Hp.

allow harp resonance
to fade completely

(up to a minute)

H ♩ = 56 Sostenuto

110

Helen

mf

bisbigliando

pp

Hp.

The harp-ers will sing for ev-er of how A - chil-les met He-len a-mong the shades

♩ = 54 poco meno mosso

113

Helen

spoken *mf*

but we are not we are not shad-ows

Cl.

p

Hp.

p

♩ = 60 Floating

117

Helen

mp *f* *mf*

we are not shad-ows_ we are not shad-ows

Cl.

pp

Hp.

mp *mf* *p* *poco f*

(C)

120

p mp *p* *mp* *p* *mp* *p* *mp*

Helen we_ are not shad ows as we walk heel_ and sole_ leave our san dal prints in the

Cl. *pp* *p*

Hp. *pp* 5 5 5 5 *p*

123 *mf*

Helen

sand_ though the wound-ed heel treads light-ly light-ly

Cl.

mp

p

Hp.

mp *p* *mp* *mf*

126 *p* *poco f* *p dolce*

Helen *p* *poco f* *p dolce*

and more light - ly fol - low the pur ple san - dals_ san - dals

Cl. *mp* *pp*

Hp. *p* *pp*

I ♩ = 66 - 69 poco più mosso

129 *p* *f* *mp* *p*

Cl. *p* *f* *mp* *p*

Frame Drum

Perc. *mf*

Hp. *p* *p*

(D)

132 *mf* *p* *mf* *p*

Cl. *mf* *p* *mf* *p*

Perc. *p* *mf* *p*

Hp. *p* *mf* *p*

136

mf *> mf > mf > p* 1.2. *mf* (p) 3.

Helen *mf* *> mf > mf > p* *mf* (p)

she died died died when the walls fell she walls fell

Eidolon *mf* *> mf > mf > p* *mf* (p)

died died died when the walls fell she walls fell

Voice (Cl.) Sing *mf* *> mf > mf > p* *mf* (p)

died died died when the walls fell she walls fell

Cl.

Voice (Perc.) Sing *mf* *> mf > mf > p* *mf* (p)

died died died when the walls fell she walls fell

Perc. *mp* 3

Voice (Hp.) Sing *mf* *> mf > mf > p* *mf* (p)

died died died when the walls fell she walls fell

Hp. *poco f* *> mp* *> mp*

J ♩ = 63 **Adagio**

[Achilles begins to assemble the sticks into a campfire structure in the middle of the stage.]

140

Helen

ord., *mp* *mf* *f* *p*

How? how did we greet each oth-er here in this A men tem-ple

Cl.

Ocean Drum
swirl *ad lib.*

Perc.

p *ppp*

Sound

Sound design cue 5: Voiceover 4

"They had met on the coast in the dark..."

Hp.

p *mp* *p* *mf*



144

Helen

mp *f* *mp* *p*

I have all time_ to re-mem-ber he comes he goes

Cl.

pp

Perc.

Hp.

p *mf* *p* *mf* *p* *pp*

147

p *mf* *> p* *poco f > mp*

Helen

I do not know_ what mem-o-ry calls him calls him the im-pris oned the

Cl.

mf *p* *mf*

Hp.

ord. *mf* *ord.* *sim.* *mp*

8^{vb} *mf* 8^{vb} *f*

fast scrape up string with plectrum/nail



150

mf *3* *3* *f* *3* *3*

Helen

lost few were the words we said but words are gra-ven on stone mint-ed on

Cl.

p *3* *mf* *> p* *mp*

Hp.

p *mp* *p*

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

Helen gold stamped up on lead they are coins of a treas - ure or the grad - ed weights of

Cl. *p* *f* *p*

Perc. **Resonant Metal** l.v. *p*

Hp. *mf* *p* *mf* *sim.*



[Eidolon struts on stage.]

156 *spoken (mf)* I spoke ironically into the night for he had built me a fire, he,

Helen bar - ter and mea - sure

spoken (f) satirically
I am a woman of pleasure.

Eidolon

Cl. *mp* *pp*

Hp. *pp*

[Achilles stands pondering the old flint lighter in his hand.]

(spoken)
Achilles, piling brushwood,
finding an old flint in his pouch

Helen

ord. *p* *mf* 3
few were the words we said

Achilles

spoken (*mf*) wondering
I thought I had lost that.

Perc.

Resonant Metal
Seedpod Shaker
swirl

p glittering *pp*

Hp.

p *mf*
slow scrape down
with plectrum/nail

⎵

[Achilles looks around, suddenly bewildered.]
hopelessly

164 I am shipwrecked, I am lost.

Achilles

[Achilles, "Turning to view the stars/Swaying as before the mast."]

The season is different, we are far from, from...

Hp.

⎵

166 *mf* dolce *p* *rit.* [Stage goes dark.]

Helen

let me for-get A-men All - fa-ther let him for - get

Eidolon

mf dolce *p*
for-get A-men All - fa-ther let him for - get

Hp.

pp *mf*
slow scrape
8^{vb}

II. The Beach

[Dim flickering light. Helen and Achilles huddle around a fire.]

♩ = 60 **Aggressive**

Cl. *ppp* *ff*

Vib. **Vibraphone** (motor off) with hard mallets *ff secco*

Hp. *fff* damp with hand *sim.*

==

Cl. *mf* *ff* *lunga*

* o = sustain; + = deadstroke

Vib. *sim.*

Hp. *sim.*

Cl. *ppp* *pp*

Vib. *pp* *p* *pp* *p*

Sound **Sound design** cue 6: Voiceover 5
"Helen recalls her first meeting..."
 start after voiceover finishes

Hp. *p* *mp* *p* *mp* *p*



K

Helen *mf* *p* *pp* *ff secco* *ord.* *mf* *poco* *p*

We are hud-dled ov-er the fire— was there e-ver such a bra-zi-er a

Cl. *p* *pp* *p*

Vib. *pp* *ff secco* *p*

Hp. *ff secco* *ord.* *mf* *poco* *p*

[Achilles starts, seeing the shadow of Eidolon move behind the scrim.]

16 *f* *mp*

Helen *f* *mp*
night bird hoot-ed past

Achilles spoken *mf*
a curious flight, a carrion creature what?

Cl. *mp*

Vib. *ff* *pp* *d.s.*

Sound Sound design cue 7: Ibis

Hp. *mp* *ord.* *pp* *sim.*

19 whisper (*f*)

Helen

dear God let him for - get for - get

Eidolon

dear God let him for - get for - get

Voice (Cl.)

dear God let him for - get for - get

Cl.

Voice (Perc.)

dear God let him for - get for - get

Vib.

sfz

sim. ϕ

ff secco

ord. *p*

The musical score is for a piece titled 'Eidolon' by Richardson, page 26. It features six staves. The first five staves are for vocal parts: Helen, Eidolon, Voice (Cl.), Voice (Perc.), and Vib. The sixth staff is for the piano (Hp.). The lyrics are 'dear God let him for - get for - get'. The music is in 4/4 time. The first five staves have a melody of eighth notes and rests, with a final measure of a half note. The sixth staff (Vib.) has a single eighth note followed by rests. The seventh staff (Hp.) has a melody of eighth notes and rests, with a final measure of a half note. The piano part is marked 'ff secco' and 'ord. p'.

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The musical score for "The Hieroglyph" by John Adams is presented for four instruments: Helen (voice), Clarinet (Cl.), Vibraphone (Vib.), and Harp (Hp.). The score is in 3/4 time and consists of 24 measures. The key signature has one flat (B-flat).

Helen (Voice): The vocal line begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat. It features a mix of eighth and sixteenth notes, often grouped in triplets. Dynamics include *f*, *mp*, *mf*, *f*, *mf*, and *mf* sotto voce. The lyrics are: "shape of this bird is a let-ter_ they call it the hie-ro-glyph strive not it is ded-i-cate to the".

Cl. (Clarinet): The clarinet part is in treble clef with a key signature of one flat. It includes triplets and dynamic markings such as *p*, *mp*, *sffz*, *p*, *mf*, and *p*.

Vib. (Vibraphone): The vibraphone part is in treble clef with a key signature of one flat. It features chords and single notes, with dynamics *mf* and *p*. A marking "senza Ped." (without pedal) is present.

Hp. (Harp): The harp part is in grand staff (treble and bass clefs) with a key signature of one flat. It includes chords and single notes, with dynamics *ff* secco, *mf*, *p*, *mf*, and *p*.

27

Helen

god-dess here_ she is I - sis or The-tis The-tis

spoken *f* Isis

Achilles

Cl.

Vib.

Hp.

p *mf* *f* *mp*

mp *p* *mf* *pp*

pp *mf* *mf*

d.s.

3

M

♩ = 46 Slower, increasing in volume with each iteration

31 *incantation mf* 1.2. 3

Helen
re - call-ing re-mem-ber-ing in-vok-ing his sea moth-er re

Eidolon
re - call-ing re-mem-ber-ing in-vok-ing his sea moth-er re

Voice (Cl.)
re - call-ing re-mem-ber-ing in-vok-ing his sea moth-er re

Cl.
re - call-ing re-mem-ber-ing in-vok-ing his sea moth-er re

Voice (Perc.)
re - call-ing re-mem-ber-ing in-vok-ing his sea moth-er re

Vib.
p Led.

Voice (Hp.)
re - call-ing re-mem-ber-ing in-vok-ing his sea moth-er re

Hp.
bisbig. sim.
mf

33

Helen

call-ing re-mem-ber-ing in-vok-ing his sea moth-er

Eidolon

call-ing re-mem-ber-ing in-vok-ing his sea moth-er

Voice (Cl.)

call-ing re-mem-ber-ing in-vok-ing his sea moth-er

Cl.

Voice (Perc.)

call-ing re-mem-ber-ing in-vok-ing his sea moth-er

Vib.

Voice (Hp.)

call-ing re-mem-ber-ing in-vok-ing his sea moth-er

Hp.

sim.

ord.

mp

Detailed description: This is a page from a musical score, page 30, titled 'Richardson - Eidolon'. The tempo is marked as 56 beats per minute. The score includes parts for Helen, Eidolon, Voice (Cl.), Cl., Voice (Perc.), Vib., Voice (Hp.), and Hp. The vocal parts and the Voice (Cl.) part have lyrics: 'call-ing re-mem-ber-ing in-vok-ing his sea moth-er'. The Harp part has markings 'sim.' and 'ord.' with a dynamic marking of 'mp'. The music is in 3/4 time with a key signature of two sharps (F# and C#). The vocal parts and the Voice (Cl.) part have a melody with triplets and accents. The Harp part has a simple accompaniment.

[Helen reaches out to the Eidolon seen in silhouette behind the scrim. Eidolon mimics the gesture in a mirror image. They pray in unison.]

36 *mp dolce* *p* *mp* *p* *mf* *pp*

Helen

flame flame for - get for - give and for - get the oth - er__ let my heart be filled with

mp dolce *p* *mp* *p* *mf* *pp*

Eidolon

flame flame for - get for - give and for - get the oth - er__ let my heart be filled with

Cl.

Vib.

Hp.

40 *mf* *p* *mf* *p*

Helen

peace let me love him_ as The - tis his moth - er

mf *p* *mf* *p*

Eidolon

peace let me love him_ as The - tis his moth - er

Vib.

Hp.