

# AIR and SIMPLE GIFTS

Written for the inauguration ceremony of President Barack Obama,  
and especially arranged for string orchestra to celebrate the 15th anniversary of the Perlman Music Program

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Reverently (take time) ( $\text{♩} = \text{ca. } 48$ )

"Air" **3** Moving freely (quasi rubato)

Solo (opt. tutti)

Violin 1  
Violin 2  
Viola  
Violoncello  
Contrabass

*f* *mf* *p* *poco*

div. div.

1 2 3 4 5

Vn. 1  
Vn. 2  
Va.  
Vc.  
Cb.

(opt. tutti) **11**

Solo (opt. tutti) *mf*

Solo (opt. tutti) *mf*

Solo (opt. tutti) *mf*

*mp* *mp* *mp*

6 7 8 9 10 11 12

112

Vn. 1 *mp sub.* *f*

Vn. 2 *mp sub.* *f* *div.*

Va. *f*

Vc. *mp sub.* *f* *unis.*

Cb. *mp sub.* *f*

110 111 112 113

*Riten.*

**With weight**

Vn. 1 *mf* *f* *mp* *f* *p* *pp*

Vn. 2 *mf* *f* *mp* *f* *p* *pp*

Va. *mf* *f* *mp* *f* *p* *pp*

Vc. *mf* *f* *mp* *f* *p* *pp*

Cb. *mf* *f* *mp* *f* *p* *pp*

114 115 116 117 118 119