

Georg Friedrich Haendel

(1685 - 1759)

3 Arias

“Let the Bright Seraphim”
“Destero dall’empia dite”
“Alle voci del bronzo guerriero”

for
Soprano Voice, Trumpet and Keyboard.
pour Soprano, trompette et piano
für Sopran, Trompete und Klavierl

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Notes

The high art of trumpet playing during the Baroque period is a fact well-known to contemporary performers and scholars. The presence of the trumpet was almost routine in orchestras assembled for festal and state occasions. Frequent use was made of the trumpet as an ensemble instrument in music of the guild musicians and in solo sonatas and concerti in court and ecclesiastical situations, notably in Bologna. Much of this repertoire has been made available in modern editions, and a considerable amount of it has been recorded by the trumpet soloists of our time.

Less is known about the use of the trumpet as a solo instrument in combination with the voice. Individual works such as "The Trumpet Shall Sound" from Handel's *Messiah*, Bach's Cantata 51 *Jauchzet Gott in allen Landen*, and Scarlatti's *Su le sponde del Tebro*, have been widely available and frequently performed, but these works represent only a small portion of the great quantity of material written for a vocal soloist utilizing the trumpet as an obbligato instrument or as an equal voice.

Handel's oratorios, operas, and cantatas abound with examples of virtuoso writing for the trumpet. The arias which make up this set were selected on the basis of their musical interest and their possible use for recital or liturgical purposes. One other criterion was that the aria should terminate or be able to be concluded without compromising the integrity of the work. There are numerous instances in which Handel used a solo voice and solo trumpet within a larger choral section, or where he elided the ending of a solo aria in such a manner that to excerpt the solo section would be an inappropriate truncation of the work. The present collection therefore does not represent all the available examples of Handel's work in this medium, but includes those arias which lend themselves to independent performance.

Handel's life included nearly a half-century spent in England, and most of his manuscripts are housed in the British Library in London. During the spring of 1972, these manuscripts were examined in detail and a version for solo voice, trumpet, and keyboard was prepared by reducing the orchestral parts and realizing the sparsely-figured continuo line. In preparation of the score, the following principals were observed:

1. There is virtually no doubling of the solo trumpet or voice parts by the keyboard instrument, for to double the solo lines adds greatly to the difficulty of the work for a pianist or organist, and is generally unnecessary for purposes of sonority or support.
2. The vocal parts are notated in the modern G or F clef, rather than the variety of clefs used in the originals.
3. The trumpet part is notated in D to facilitate performance on either the D trumpet or piccolo A trumpet.
4. All dynamics and some ornaments, have been added by the editor and are intended as suggestions according to performance practice of the time. Additional ornamentation, at the performer's discretion, would be consistent with Baroque style.
5. No articulation marks have been added, but the soloists may wish to judiciously add slurs to 16th note passages, and also may vary the amount of staccato or legato tonguing used.

It is hoped that these volumes will create new opportunities in recital and stylistic study for the serious trumpet student/performer, and bring to the public a new awareness of the soloistic potentials of the trumpet.

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“Let the Bright Seraphim”

1

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Andante
(D Trumpet)

Musical score for D Trumpet, Andante. The score consists of three staves. The top staff is in common time (c) and has a dynamic of *f*. The middle staff is in common time (c) and has a dynamic of *mf*. The bottom staff is in common time (c). The music features eighth-note patterns and sixteenth-note figures.

Musical score for soprano and continuo, measures 5-8. The soprano part starts with a single note followed by a series of eighth-note patterns. The continuo part consists of bass and treble staves with various rhythmic patterns.

Musical score for soprano and continuo, measures 9-12. The soprano part begins with a rest followed by eighth-note patterns. The continuo part consists of bass and treble staves. The lyrics "Let the bright Se-ra-phim in burn-ing row, their" are written below the soprano staff. The dynamic *mf* is indicated above the soprano staff, and *p* is indicated below the continuo staff.

Source: “Let the Bright Seraphim” from *Samson*; scored for tromba, violino I, violin II, viola, basso continuo, and soprano (Israelitisch Woman); manuscript copy in the British Library, R.M. 20.f. 6. (folio 142–144).

13

loud, up - lift - ed an-gel trump-ets blow,

17

let the bright Se-ra - phim in burn - - - ing row, in burn - - - ing, burn - - -

21

(B)

ing row, their loud, up - lift - ed an-gel trump - ets blow, _____ their

p

25

loud, up - lift-ed an-gel trump - ets blow,

29

mf

f

p

their loud,

33

C

f

ff

their loud, up-lift-ed an - - - gel trump - ets blow,

37

let the bright Se-ra-phim in burn - - - ing row,

p

41

in burn - - - ing, burn - - - - - ing row, their loud, up -

45

lift - ed an-gel trump-ets blow, their loud, up-lift - - - ed an-gel trump-ets blow,

49

their loud, up-lift-ed an-gel trum-pets blow

f

53 E

f

57 F

[*tr*] Fine

Fine

Let the Che-ru-bic host, in

Fine

p

61 (Soprano)

tune - ful choirs, touch their im-mor-tal harps with gold - en wires let the Che-ru-bic host in

65

tune - ful choirs, touch their im - mor-tal harps touch their im - mor-tal harps

69

(G)

with gold - en wires touch their im-mor-tal

73

*D.C. al Fine**

harps with gold - - - en wires.

*D.C. al Fine**

* The original version is followed by 76 measures of SATB chorus.

“Destero dall’ empia dite”

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(Soprano)

Mi de-ri - de l'a-man-te, la ri - va - le mi sprezz-a, ed io lo sof-fro, oh stel-le? No non sa-rà giam-

5

Allegro
(D Trumpet)

mai ch'io per-da il mio vi- gor fra pe-ne e gua-i.

10

* Choose registration on organ to complement trumpet timbre.

15

(A)

20

(B)

25

30

35 (*D Trumpet*)

mp

(*Soprano*)

40

tr

45 (C)

p

mf

De - ste - rd dall' em-pia di - te,

p

50

de - ste - rd dall' em - pia di - te o - gni fu - ria a far - vi guer - ra, o - gni fu - ria a far - vi

55

mp

guer - - - - - - - - - ra,

60

cru - di, per - fi - di, cru-di, per - fi - di, sì, sì, a far - vi guer - - - -

65

ra, cru-di, per-fi-di, sì,

70

sì, sì, sì, sì, sì!

75

(E)

de-ste-rò dall'em-pia di-te, o-gni fu-ria a far-vi

80

f

guer - ra, o - gni fu - ria a far-vi guer - - -

85

ra, cru - di, per - fi - di, sì, sì, sì, sì, sì, sì, sì, sì, sì, sì,

90

(F)

o - gni fu - ria a far-vi guer - ra cru - di, per - fi - di, sì, sì!

95 (*D Trumpet*)

100

p *f*

p *f*

105

tr. Fine *f* (*Soprano*)

Om bre te - tre o - mai sor - ti - te

Fine

f

109

dall' a - vel - lo che vi sor - ra, dall' a - vel - lo che vi ser - ra,

113

a dar pe - ne a co - lui che mi scher - ni, a dar

117

D.S. al Fine

pe - ne a co - lui che mi scher - ni.

D.S. al Fine

Source

“Destrò dall’ empia dite” from *Amadigi*; scored for tromba, oboe, violini, viola, basso continuo, and soprano (Melissa); original manuscript lost, copy in British Library, RM 19. g. 2 (folio 43^v – 47).

English Translation by Maria Giuseppina Swenson

My lover laughs at me.

My rival despises me.

Oh stars do I suffer?

No. It will never be that I should waste my vigour in pain and anguish.

I shall call forth every fury from the merciless Dis to make war,
yes every cruel and perverse fury to make war.

At last dark shadows come out from the tomb.

How it serves to give punishment to those who scorn me.

“Alle voci del bronzo guerriero”

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(D Trumpet)

f

p *f* *p* *f*

f

p *f* *p* *f*

f

(D Trumpet) (A)

mf

Al - le vo-ci del bronzo guer-riero

mf

13

al - le vo-ci del bron - zo guer - riero si ri - spon - da con E-co fe - sti - va, si ri -

18

spon - da, si ri - spon -

22

(B)

da_ con E - co_ fe - - sti - va, si ri -

26

p

spon-da, al - le vo - ci del bron-zo guer - rie - ro, del bron-zo guer - rie -

p

mf

30

p

34

(C) *tr*

p

da con E - co fe - sti - va.

mf

39

mf

Fine

Fine

Fine

43 (D)

p

tr

E si ren-dà pa - le - se il mi - ste - - ro,

47

le - se il mi - ste - - ro,

che dai lau-ri ha da na-scer l'o - li-va, ha da na -

tr

51

Da Capo al Fine

scher l'o - li - va, che dai lau-ri ha da na-scer - - l'o - li - va.

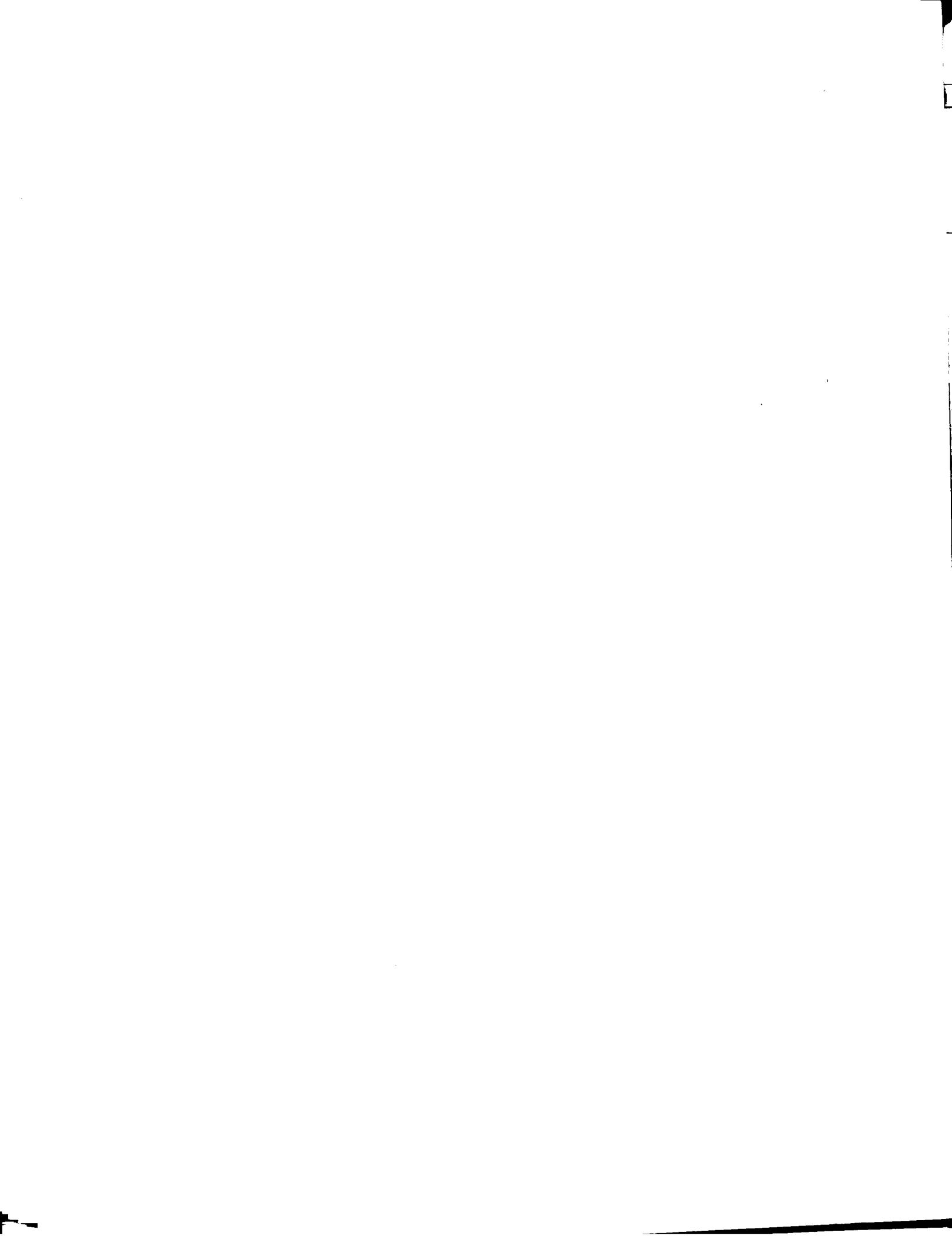
Da Capo al Fine

Source

“Alle voci del bronzo guerriero” from *Cantata No. 19*; scored for tromba, violino I, violino II, basso continuo, and soprano (Olinto); manuscript copy in British Library, RM 20.e.2. (folio 44^r – 46^r).

English Translation by Maria Giuseppina Swenson

To the call of the bellicose brass
let us answer with festive echo.
And let us make the mystery clear
why the olive has to sprout from the laurel.



“Let the Bright Seraphim”

1

D Trumpet

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Andante

3

8 **A** 2

15 **B** 7

29 **C** [tr]

34

40 **D**

46

51 **E**

56 **F** [tr] **Fine**

60 **G** 7 **Da Capo al Fine**

“Destero dall’ empia dite”

6 Allegro

12

17 (A)

24

29 (B)

35

40

45 (C) 2

53

58 (D) 12

77 (E) 3
f
89 2 (F)
tr
97
102 (G) D.S. al Fine
14
p f Fine

“Alle voci del bronzo guerriero”

6 f p f
7 (A) f p
14 4 (B) 3 (C) f
26 p
35 tr mf
42 (D) tr tr Da Capo al Fine
6 Fine p

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2. In terra la guerra

3. Con voce festiva

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5. Si riscaldi il Tebro

6. Mio tesoro per te moro

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