

Cort Lippe

Program Notes

Music for Flute and Harp (for C flute, alto flute, and harp) was commissioned in 1988 by the Duo Ariane and premiered by them in Paris that same year.

The piece is divided into two movements. The flute dominates at the beginning of the first movement while the harp's musical material acts to amplify and develop the flute part. Gradually, the harp manifests its autonomy and takes on an equal role in the musical discourse. In the second movement this discourse becomes a dialogue in which material is constantly passed between the players. Secondary sound sources predominate at the beginning of the second section in both parts, but are gradually superseded by primary modes of playing by the end of the piece.

Music for Flute and Harp is recorded on compact disc by the Duo Ariane on the Salabert Editions/ADDA label and won First Prize in the *Second Leonie D. Rothschild Composition Competition* (1991, USA). Duration: 12 minutes.