

## Alec Roth – SEVEN ELEMENTS SUITE

for violin and piano

commissioned jointly by the Salisbury, Chelsea and Lichfield Festivals

first performed by Philippe Honoré (violin), Rustem Hayroudinoff (piano), Wilton Church (Salisbury Festival), 1 June; St Luke's Church, Chelsea, 16 June; and Lichfield Cathedral, 15 July, 2009

Metal

Water

Wood

Air

Earth

Space

Fire

The order in which the seven movements are heard is decided by the performers.

Individual elements or groups of elements may be performed separately.

The seven elements are the titles of the poems which Vikram Seth wrote for the song-cycle [Seven Elements](#), the final part of the tetralogy [The Rivered Earth](#). The Seven Elements Suite for violin and piano develops some of the musical ideas from the songs, and, just as the seven poems contain references to the first three of the *Rivered Earth* texts (*Songs in Time of War*; *Shared Ground*; *The Traveller*), some musical elements from the previous works in the series are also woven in.

### **DURATION**

ca. 25 minutes

### **FORCES REQUIRED**

Violin and Piano

### **PERFORMANCE MATERIALS**

Violin Part

Piano Score

### **SCORE SAMPLE**

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