

THOMAS WEELKES

1576 - 1623

12 Stücke für drei Violon da Gamba TTB
aus *Ayeres or Phantastick Spirits*, 1608

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Bruno Aulich schreibt in seinem wunderbaren Buch „Alte Musik für Liebhaber“ über unseren Komponisten: *Weelkes, Thomas (1576 – 1623) war Organist an der Chichester Cathedral und gehörte zu jenen genialen Köpfen, die ihren Unmut an der unvollkommenen Welt mit Alkohol zu betäuben versuchen, was ihn mit vorgesetzten Behörden bisweilen in Konflikt brachte. Seine Madrigale gehören jedoch zu den originellsten seiner Zeit. Im Titel seiner dritten Sammlung heißt es “Madrigals of 5 and 6 parts, apt for the viol and voices“.*

Die hier vorgestellten Stücke stammen aus seinem letzten veröffentlichten Werk, den *Ayeres or Phantastick Spirits* von 1608. Sie wurde für drei Bassgamben transponiert.

Aye me, alas

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First system of the musical score. It consists of three staves: Soprano, Alto, and Bass. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are: Aye me, a - las, hey ho, hey ho, hey. The Soprano and Alto parts have identical lyrics, while the Bass part has: Aye mem a - las, hey ho, hey ho, hey.

Second system of the musical score, starting at measure 6. The lyrics continue: ho, hey ho, thus doth Mes - sa - li - na go up and down the house a - cry - ing, up. The Soprano and Alto parts have identical lyrics, while the Bass part has: ho, hey ho, thus doth Mes - sa - li - na go up and down, up.

Third system of the musical score, starting at measure 11. The lyrics continue: cry - in, up and down the house a - cry - ing, a - cry - ing, up and down the house a - cry - ing, up and down the house a - cry - ing. The Soprano and Alto parts have identical lyrics, while the Bass part has: and down, up and down, up down the house a - cry - ing.

Fourth system of the musical score, starting at measure 16. The lyrics continue: ing, For her Mon - key lies a - dy - ing, for her Mon - key lies a - dy - ing, for her Mon - key lies a - dy - ing, for her Mon - key lies a - dy - ing. The Soprano and Alto parts have identical lyrics, while the Bass part has: ing, For her Mon - key lies a - dy - ing, for her Mon - key lies a - dy - ing, for her Mon - key lies a - dy - ing.

Mon - key lies a - dy - - - ing. Death thou art too cru -

lies a - dy - ing, a - dy - ing. Death thou art too cru -

lies a - dy - - - - - ing. Death thou art too cru -

el to be - reave her jew - el or to make a sei - zur of her on - ly

el to be - reave her jew - el or to make a sei - zure of her on - ly

el to be - reave her jew - el or to make a sei - zure of her on - ly

trea - sure. If her Mon - key die, she will sit and

— trea - sure. If her Mon - key die, she will sit

trea - sure. If her Mon - key die, she will sit and

— cry, fie - - - - - fie. and cry, fie - - - - - fie.

— and cry, fie - - - - - fie. — cry, fie - - - - - fie.

— cry, fie - - - - - fie. — cry, fie - - - - - fie.

Come come lets begin

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First system of the musical score. It consists of three staves: a soprano staff (treble clef), an alto staff (treble clef), and a bass staff (bass clef). The time signature is common time (C). The lyrics are: "Come, come let's be - gin, let's be - gin to re - vel't". The melody is in G major, with a key signature of one sharp (F#).

Come, come let's be - gin, let's be - gin to re - vel't

Come, come let's be - gin to re - vel't

Come, come — let's be - gin, let's be - gin to re - vel't

Second system of the musical score, starting at measure 5. It features two first endings (1. and 2.) for the soprano and alto parts. The lyrics are: "out, and tread the hills and dales a - bout, and dales a - bout. — bout, — that". The melody continues in G major.

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1. 2.

out, and tread the hills and dales a - bout, and dales a - bout. — bout, — that

out, to re - vel't out, and tread the hills and dales a - bout. — bout, —

out, to re - vel't out, and tread the hills and dales a - bout. bout,

Third system of the musical score, starting at measure 10. The lyrics are: "hills and dales and woods may — sound an E - cho, that hills and dales, and dales and woods may sound an E -". The melody continues in G major.

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hills and dales and woods may — sound an E - cho,

that hills and dales, and dales and woods may sound an E -

that hills and dales and woods may sound — an

Fourth system of the musical score, starting at measure 14. It features two first endings (1. and 2.) for the soprano and alto parts. The lyrics are: "an E - cho to this — warb - ling round, that round. cho, an E - cho to — this warb - ling round, round. E - cho, an E - cho to — this warb - ling round, round." The melody continues in G major.

14

1. 2.

an E - cho to this — warb - ling round, that round.

cho, an E - cho to — this warb - ling round, round.

E - cho, an E - cho to — this warb - ling round, round.

Come, come let's begin to revel't out,
and tread the hills and dales about,
that hills and dales and woods may sound
an Echo to this warbling round.

Lads, lads merry be with music sweet
and Fairies trip it with your feet,
Pan's pipe is dull, a better strain
doth stretch itself to please your vein.

Come Sirrah Jack ho

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First system of the musical score. It consists of three staves: a soprano staff (treble clef), an alto staff (treble clef), and a bass staff (bass clef). The time signature is 3/4. The key signature has one sharp (F#). The lyrics are: "Come Sir-rah Jack, ho, fill some to - bac - co, bring a wire".

Come Sir-rah Jack, ho, fill some to - bac - co, bring a wire

Come Sir-rah Jack, ho, fill some to - bac - co, bring a wire

Come Sir-rah Jack, ho, fill some to - bac - co, bring a wire

Second system of the musical score. It consists of three staves: a soprano staff (treble clef), an alto staff (treble clef), and a bass staff (bass clef). The time signature is 3/4. The key signature has one sharp (F#). The lyrics are: "and some fire, haste, haste a - way, quick I say, do not stay,". The system is numbered 6 at the beginning.

and some fire, haste, haste a - way, quick I say, do not stay,

and some fire, haste, haste a - way, quick I say, do not stay,

and some fire, haste, haste a - way, quick I say, do not stay,

Third system of the musical score. It consists of three staves: a soprano staff (treble clef), an alto staff (treble clef), and a bass staff (bass clef). The time signature is 3/4. The key signature has one sharp (F#). The lyrics are: "shun de-lay, for I drank none good to - day." followed by a first ending "1. day. I" and a second ending "2. day. I". The system is numbered 11 at the beginning.

shun de-lay, for I drank none good to - day. 1. day. I 2. day. I

stay, shun de - lay, for I drank none good to - day. day. I

shun de-lay, for I drank none good to - day. day. I

Fourth system of the musical score. It consists of three staves: a soprano staff (treble clef), an alto staff (treble clef), and a bass staff (bass clef). The time signature is 3/4. The key signature has one sharp (F#). The lyrics are: "swear that this to - bac - co it's per - fect Tri - ni - da - do, by the". The system is numbered 16 at the beginning.

swear that this to - bac - co it's per - fect Tri - ni - da - do, by the

swear that this to - bac - co it's per - fect Tri - ni - da - do, by the

swear that this to - bac - co it's per - fect Tri - ni - da - do, by the

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ve - ry mass, ne - ver was bet - ter gear than is here, by the rood for the blood it is

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ve - ry, ve - ry good, 'tis ve - ry good. I good.

1. 2.

Come Sirrah Jack ho,
 fill some tobacco,
 Bring a wire
 and some fire,
 haste away,
 quick I say,
 do not stay,
 shun delay,
 for I drank none good today,
 I swear that this tobacco
 it's perfect Trinidado,
 by the very, very mass
 never, never, never was
 better gear
 than is here,
 by the rood,
 for the blood
 it is very, very good.

Fill the pipe once more,
 my brains dance Trenchmore,
 it is heady,
 I am giddy,
 my head and brains,
 back and reins,
 joints and veins
 from all pains
 it doth well purge and make clean.
 Then those that do condemn it,
 or such as not commend it,
 never were so wise to learn
 good tobacco to discern
 let them go,
 pluck a crow
 and not know,
 as I do
 the sweet of Trinidado.

Foure armes, two neckes, one wreathing

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Four arms, to necks, one wrea - thing, two pair of lips, one brea - thing, fa

Four arms, to necks, one wrea - thin, two pair of lips, one brea - thing, fa

Four arms, to necks, one wrea - thing, two pair of lips, one brea - thing, fa

5

la la la la la, fa la la la la la, fa la la la la la la la la. Two

la la la la la, fa la la la la la, fa la la la la la la la la. Two

la la la, fa la la la, fa la la la la. Two

9

hearts that mul - ti - ply sighs in - ter - chan - gea - bly, fa la,

hearts that mul - ti - ply sighs in - ter - chan - gea - bly, fa

hearts that mul - ti - ply sighs in - ter - chan - gea - bly, fa

13

fa la, fa la la la la la, fa la la la la la, fa la la la la la, fa

la, fa la la la la la, fa la la la la la, fa la la la la la, fa

la, fa la, fa la, fa la, fa la, fa

17

la la la la la, fa la la la la. Two la.

la la la la la, fa la la la la. Two la.

la, fa la la la la la. Two la.

Four arms, two necks, one wreathing,
 two pair of lips, one breathing,
 fa la la ...
 Two hearts that multiply
 sighs interchangeably,
 fa la la ...

The thought of this confounds me,
 and as I speak it wounds me,
 fa la la ...
 It cannot be exprest,
 God help me whilst I rest,
 fa la la ...

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la la la la la, fa la la la la la, fa la la la la la, fa la la la la la, fa

la la la la la, fa la la la la la, fa la la la la la, fa la la la la la, fa

la la la la la la la, fa la la la la la, fa la la la la la, fa la la la la

14

2.

la. And now all is un - done, all cour - ses back - wards

la. And now all is un - done, all cour - ses back - wards

la la. And now all is un - done, all cour - ses back - wards

run. Fa la la la, fa la la, fa la la,

run. Fa la la - la, fa la la, fa la la,

run. Fa la la, fa la la, fa la, fa

fa la la fa la la, fa la la. And la.

fa la la, fa la la, fa la. And la.

la la, fa la la, fa la la la. And la.

Late in my rash accounting
 my fortune was amounting.
 Fa la la ...
 And now all is undone
 all courses backwards run.
 Fa la la ...

Hearts greedy in desiring
 are speedy in aspiring.
 Fa la la ...
 But this female sex
 make stout hearts break their necks.
 Fa la la ...

You Ladies fair and fickle
 whose climbing thoughts do tickle.
 Fa la la ...
 Shall most deeply repent
 and find a base descent.
 Fa la la ...

O now weepe, now sing

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First system of the musical score. It features three staves: a soprano staff (treble clef), an alto staff (treble clef), and a bass staff (bass clef). The music is in common time (C). The lyrics are: "Fa la la la la la la, fa la la la, O now weep, —" for the soprano and alto parts, and "Fa la la la la la la la la la, O now weep, —" for the bass part.

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Second system of the musical score. It features three staves: a soprano staff (treble clef), an alto staff (treble clef), and a bass staff (bass clef). The music is in common time (C). The lyrics are: "— now sing. Fa la la la la la la la la. For this is love," for the soprano and alto parts, and "— now sing. Fa la la la la la la la la. For this is love," for the bass part.

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Third system of the musical score. It features three staves: a soprano staff (treble clef), an alto staff (treble clef), and a bass staff (bass clef). The music is in common time (C). The lyrics are: "in frost to fry, in tears to sing, in life to die, in" for the soprano and alto parts, and "in frost to fry, in tears to sing, in life to die, to die, in life to" for the bass part.

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Fourth system of the musical score. It features three staves: a soprano staff (treble clef), an alto staff (treble clef), and a bass staff (bass clef). The music is in common time (C). The lyrics are: "life to die, in life to die, to die and ne - ver to have — en - ding." for the soprano and alto parts, and "die, to die, in life to die and ne - ver to have en - ding." for the bass part.

12 die in life to die and ne - ver to have en - - - ding.

Fa la la ...

O now weep, now sing.

Fa la la ...

For this is love, in frost to fry,
in tears to sing, in life to die,
and never to have ending.

Fa la la ...

I die willingly.

Fa la la ...

And yet I live in spite of love,
in hope of gain, and think to prove
some pleasure mingled with pain.

Strike it up Tabor

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Original in F

Strike it up Ta - bor and pipe us a
Strike it up Ta - bor and pipe us a fa - vour, thou
Strike it up Ta - bor and pipe us a fa - vour, thou

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fa - vour, thou shalt be well paid for thy la - bour. 1. la - bour. I
shalt be well paid, well paid for thy la - bour. 2. la - bour. I
shalt be well paid for thy la - bour. la - bour.

10
mean to spend my shoe - sole to dance a - bout the May - pole, I
mean to spent my shoe - sole to dance a - bout the May - pole, I
To dance a - bout the May - pole, I

14
will be blithe and brisk, leap and skip, hop and trip, turn a-bout in the rout un -
will be blithe and brisk, blithe and brisk, I'll leap and skip, hop and trip, turn a-bout in the rout un-
will be blithe and brisk, leap and skip, hop and trip, turn a-bout in the rout un - til

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1. 2.

til ve - ry wea - ry, wea - ry joint can scarce frisk. I frisk.

til ve - ry wea - ry, wea - ry joints can scarce frisk. I frisk.

ve - ry wea - - - ry joints can scarce frisk. frisk.

Strike it up Tabor
and pipe us a favour,
thou shalt be well paid for thy labour,
I mean to spend my shoe-sole
to dance about the Maypole,
I will be blithe and brisk,
leap and skip,
hop and trip,
turn about
in the rout
until very weary joints can scarce frisk.

Lusty Dick Hopkin
lay on with thy napkin,
the stitching cost me but a dodkin,
the Morris were half undone
wer't not for Martin of Compton,
O well said, Jigging Alce
pretty Gill
stand you still
Dapper Jack
means to smack.
How no? fi, fie, fie, you dance false.

Tan ta ra ran tan tant

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Musical score for the first system of the song. It features three staves: Soprano, Alto, and Bass. The key signature is one flat (B-flat) and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are: Tan ta ra ran tan tant, cries Mars on bloo-dy ram - pier. Fa la, la, Fa la, la, Fa la, la, Fa la, la, cries Ve - nus in a cham - ber.

Musical score for the second system of the song. It features three staves: Soprano, Alto, and Bass. The key signature is one flat (B-flat) and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are: la, fa la, fa la, fa la, cries Ve - nus in a cham - ber.

Musical score for the third system of the song. It features three staves: Soprano, Alto, and Bass. The key signature is one flat (B-flat) and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are: Too - dle loo-dle, too - dle loo-dle loo, Pan pipes it a - way and gai - ly does

Musical score for the fourth system of the song. It features three staves: Soprano, Alto, and Bass. The key signature is one flat (B-flat) and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are: play on a sum-mer's day, on a sum - mer's day. Aye me, gai - ly does play on a sum-mer's, sum - mer's day. Aye me, play on a sum - mer's, sum-mer's day. Aye me,

but I a - las lie wee - ping, for death has slain my swee - ting, which hath my

but I a - las lie wee - ping, for death has slain my swee - ting, which hath my

but I a - las lie wee - ping, for death has slain my swee - ting, which hath my

heart in kee - ping, which hath my heart in kee - ping.

heart in kee - ping, which hath my heart in kee - ping.

heart in kee - ping, my heart in kee - - - ping.

Tan ta ra ran tan tant,
 cries Mars on bloody rampier.
 Fa la, fa la, fa la,
 cries Venus in a chamber.
 Toodle loodle loo,
 Pan pipes it away,
 an gaily does play
 on a summer's day.
 Aye me!
 But I alas lie weeping,
 for death hath slain my sweeting,
 which hath my heart in keeping.

The Ape, the Monkey and the Baboon

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The Ape, the Mon - key and Ba - boon did meet,
The Ape, the Mon - key and Ba - boon did meet, and brea - king
The Ape, the Mon - key and Ba - boon deed meet, and brea - king

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and brea - king of their fast in Fri - day street, two of them sware to -
of their fast in Fri - day street, two of them sware to -
of their fast in Fri - day stree,

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ge - ther so - lemn ly, in their three na - tures was a
ge - ther so - lemn ly, in their three na - tures was a sym -
in their three na - tures was a sym -

13

sym - pa - thy. Nay, quoth Ba - boon I do de -
- - pa - thy. Nay, quoth Ba - boon, I do de -
pa - thy. Nay, quoth Ba - boon, I do de -

ny that strain, I have more knav' - ry in me than you twain

ny that strain, I have more knav' - ry in me than you twain.

ny that strain, I have more knav' - ry in me than you twain.

The Ape, the Monkey and Baboon did meet,
 and breaking of their fast in Friday Street
 two of them sware together solemnly,
 in their three natures was a sympathy.
 Nay, quoth Baboon, I do deny that strain,
 I have more knav'ry in me than you twain.

Why, quoth the Ape, I have a horse at will
 in Paris Garden for to ride on still
 and there shew tricks. Tush, quoth the Monkey, I
 for better tricks in great men's houses lie.
 Tush, quoth Baboon, when men do know I come
 for Sport from City, country, they will run.

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The Night - in - gale, the Or - gan of
The Night - in - gale, the Or - gan of

The Night - in - gale, the Or - gan

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de - light, the nim-ble, nim-ble, nim-ble, nim-ble Lark, the
— de-light, the nim-ble, nim-ble, nim-ble, nim-ble Lark, the
of de-light, the nim-ble, nim-ble, nim-ble, nim-ble Lark, the Black -

9

Black - bird, the Black - bird and the Trush, the Trush, and
Black - bird, the Black - bird, and the Trush, and all the pret -
bird, the Black - bird and the Trush, and all the pret - ty

14

all the pret - ty Cho - ris-ters of flight, that chant their Mu - sic
- - ty Cho-ri-s-ters of flight, that chant their Mu - sic notes in
Cho - ri - ters of flight, that chant their Mu - sic notes in ev' - ry

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notes in ev' ry bush, that chant their Mu - sic notes in ev' - ry bush:

ev' - ry bush, that chant their Mu - sic notes in ev' - - - ry bush:

bush, that chant their Mu-sic notes in ev'-ry bush, in ev'-ry bush, in ev' - ry bush:

23

Let them no more con - tend — who shall ex - cel, the cuc - koo, cuc -

Let them no more con - tend — who shall ex - cel, the cuc-koo,

Let them no more con - tend — who shall ex - cel, the cuc - koo,

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koo, the cuc - koo, cuc-koo, cuc-koo, the cuc-koo, cuc-koo, cuc-koo, cuc -

cuc - koo, the cuc - koo, cuc-koo, cuc-koo, the cuc-koo, cuc-koo is the bird,

—the cuc - koo is — the bird, the cuc-koo is the bird, the cuc-koo

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koo, cuc-koo, cuc - koo, is the bird that bears the bell. bell.

cuc-koo, cuc-koo, cuc-koo is the bird that bears the bell. bell.

is the bird that bears the bell. bell.

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The image shows a musical score for three voices: Soprano, Alto, and Bass. The music is in 4/4 time and consists of four measures. The lyrics are: "To - mor-row is the mar - riage day of Mop - sus and fair Phil -". The Soprano part is in a high register, the Alto part is in a middle register, and the Bass part is in a low register. The lyrics are written below the notes.

Soprano: To - mor-row is the mar - riage day of Mop - sus and fair Phil -

Alto: To - mor-row is the mar - riage day of Mop - sus and fair Phil -

Bass: To - mor-row is the mar - riage day of Mop - sus and fair Phil -

5

1. 2.

li - da. da. Come shep-herds bring your gar - lands gay, come li - da. da. Come shep-herds bring your gar - lands

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gar - lands gay, come shep-herds bring your gar - lands gay, come shp-herds bring your gar - lands, come shep-herds bring your gar -

12

shep-herds bring your gar - lands gay, your gar-lands gay.

come shep-herds bring your gar-lands gay, gar - lands gay. Come shep-herds bring your

- lands gay, your gar - lands gay. Come

Tomorrow is the marriage day
Of Mopsus and fair Phillida,
Come shepherds, bring your garlands gay.

If love lie in so foul a nest,
And foulness on so fair a breast,
What lover may not hope the best?

O do not weep fair Bellamour,
Though he be gone, there's many more,
For love hath many loves in store.

Upon a hill

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Up - on a hill, a hill
Up - on a hill, up - on a hill the bon - ny, bon - ny
Up - on a hill, up - on a hill, a

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the bon - ny, bon - ny boy, sweet Thir - sis sweet - ly playd,
boy, the bon - ny, bon - ny boy, sweet Thir-sis sweet - ly playd, and calld his
hill the bon - ny, bon - ny boy, sweet Tir - sis sweet - ly playd, and

9

and calld his lambs their mas-ter's joy, and more he would have said, but love,
lambs their mas-ter's joy, their mas-ter's joy, and more he would have said, but
calld his lambs their mas - ter's joy, and more he would have said, but

14

but love that gi - veth wings, but love that gives the lo - vers
love, but love that gives the lo - - - vers
love, but love that gives the lo - vers

17

wings with - drew his mind, his mind, with - drew his mind, with-
wings with - drew his mind, his mind, with - drew his mind, his mind
wings with-drew his min, his mind from o - ther things, from o -

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drew his mind, his mind from o - ther things, but love, things.
from o - - - ther things, but things.
- - - ther things, but things.

Upon a hill the bonny boy
sweet Thirsis sweetly play'd,
and call'd his lambs their master's joy,
and more he would have said.
But love that gives the lovers wings
withdrew his mind from other things.

His pipe and he could not agree,
for Milla was his note,
this silly pipe could never get
this lovely name by rote,
with that they both fell in a sound,
he fell asleep, his pipe to ground.

