

# Exodus

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Duration: 7 minutes

horn and piano trio

The word “exodus” literally means “a mass departure of people.” This piece characterizes the feelings of an exodus: a sense of unsettlement; of yearning to be elsewhere; of nervous, hurried travel; and lack of a resting place. *Exodus* represents the space between an old home and a new home, a period of uncertainty, worry, and longing.

*Exodus* was written for my horn teacher, Leslie Norton. It was premiered in Turner Recital Hall in Nashville, TN, on September 9, 2013.