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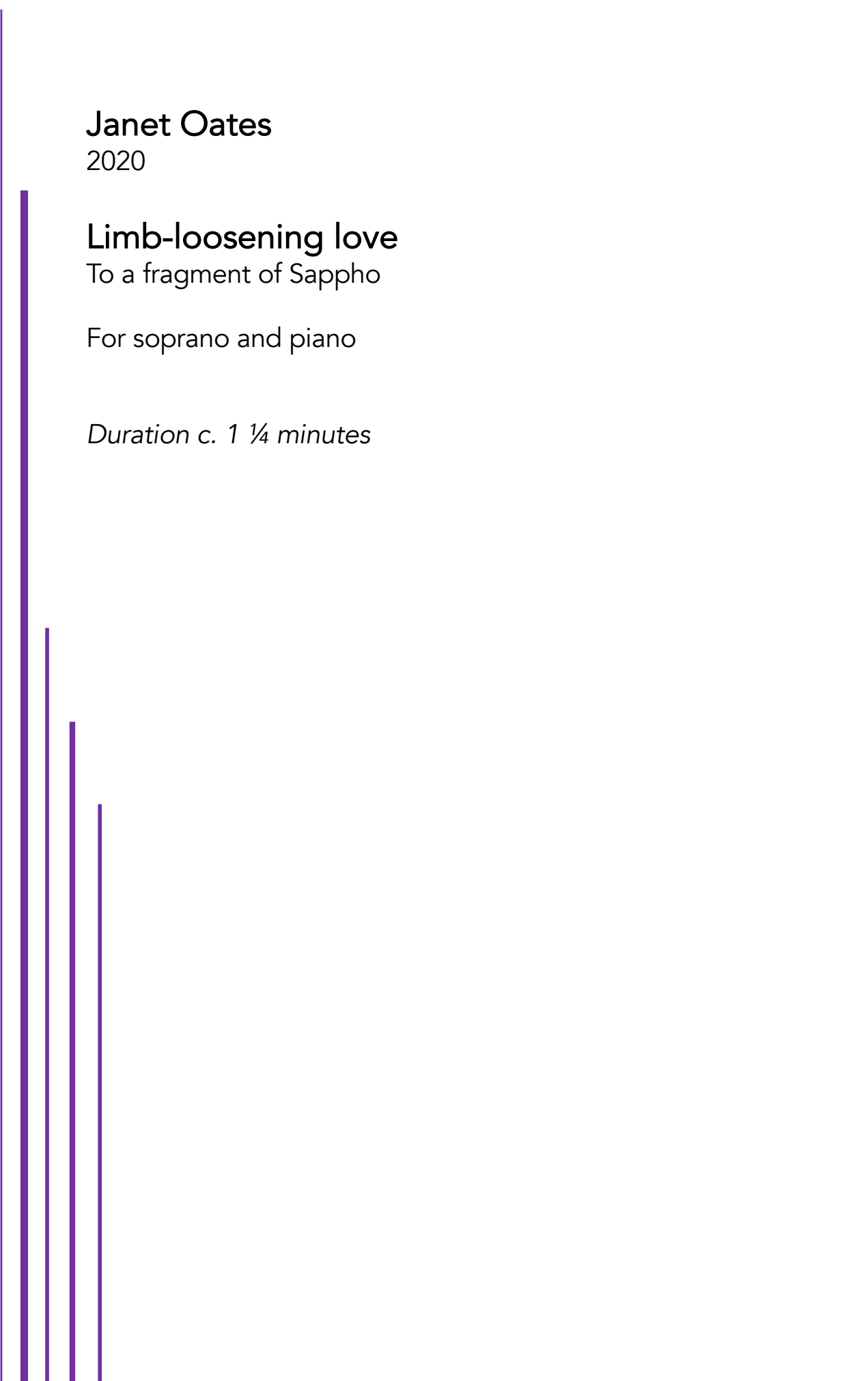
2020

Limb-loosening love

To a fragment of Sappho

For soprano and piano

Duration c. 1 ¼ minutes



This tiny song was written and premiered as part of the socially-distanced concert project 'in Short' during the Covid 19 restrictions in 2020.

Love:
A crawling beast,
Bittersweet

Sappho, 6th century BC

Limb-loosening Love

PERFORMANCE NOTE

the notation is intended to convey waves and patterns; exact timing and co-ordination of semis and demi-semis is not required as long as the general spirit of the interaction is observed.

adapted from a fragment of Sappho

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♩ = 68 (freely)

Soprano

pp *p* *mp*

mm (ah) Ah...

detached but not staccato

Piano

6

S.

mp

Love,

Pno.

p

9

S.

marcato

A craw - ling beast,

Pno.

11

S.

Pno.

bit - ter -

Ped.

13

S.

Pno.

sweet. (hum) (hum)

Ped.

15

S.

Pno.

pp

duration c. 70"