The Ringtone Cycle

Libretto: Peter Goldsworthy
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Fuga a tre voce sopra un tema di Francisco Tarrega
(Ringtone Fugue at the Fifth)

Allegro (q = c. 60)

After the players take their seats on stage, and the audience settles, a mobile phone sounds the ringtone "Gran Vals" LOUD. The players look disapprovingly - and then pick up the theme:

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(Brunnhilde enters talking on her iPhone)

Brunnhilde:
Yes, mum, it's Brunnhilde. No, mum, I haven't started yet.
Thanks, mum, for the reminder. Yes, mum, I'll take precautions.
No, mum, you can't catch a computer virus on an internet date!
Yes, mum, I promise I'll be careful... (She hangs up)
Yes, mum, I'm still your little Brunnhilde. The way she goes on, I could kill her!

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Dear John West,
If these are the best
You can keep the rest!

Sop.
Vln.
Vlc.
Pno.

367 accel.

A Tempo (M.M. \( \frac{3}{4} \) = c. 144)

love you I love you I love you I love you I love you I love you I love you I love you but

Dear John West,
If these are the best
You can keep the rest!
I'm an active older man of sixty-odd,
A slim Sagittarius, with a vegan dog,
politically left, sensitive and shy,
only genuine ladies, with big tits need apply...
Liebesträume

Adagio $q = 54$

Soprano

Violin

Cello

Piano

poco accel.

poco piu mosso ($q = 60$)
I loved you at first

link The softly spoken way you advertised your self as if to draw me

poco accel.  \( \text{ancor piu mosso} \) \( q = 66 \)
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Sop.  \( \text{555 poco accel.} \)

\[ \text{tells odd fibs Don't send a recent} \]

Vln.  \( \text{555 appassionato}_j \)

\[ \text{f appassionato} \]

Vlc.  \( \text{555 appassionato}_j \)

\[ \text{f appassionato} \]

Pno.  \( \text{557} \)

\[ \text{photo I won't believe those} \]

\[ \text{Z} \]

\( \text{piu mosso}_j = 82 \)

Sample Score Only

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is possibly me but tell me a little more

before I decide she's me
Superstition Aria

Moderato (\( \frac{\text{d}}{\text{c}} = 80 \))

Soprano

Violin

Cello

Piano

\( \text{rit.} \quad a \text{ tempo dolce teneroso} \)

I check my stars on
As tro App they prom ise me the world A new love in’ trest

in my life and sex un par a lled On e Bay there are
Per haps he'll just appear

Would it stop him ringing if I left it on vibrate?

Perhaps he'll just appear
If I rub it like a magic lamp
Or rub it somewhere else
This genie is a vamp!

She rubs the iPhone, it rings...

Would it stop him ringing if I left it on vibrate?

Perhaps he'll just appear
If I rub it like a magic lamp
Or rub it somewhere else
This genie is a vamp!
The iPhone rings one last time and Brunnhilde’s face is lit only by the phone’s screen...

She reads the text message:
“Hello Moto, please send photo”
she sighs;
cut to total darkness.