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The Trojan Women

A Dramatic Oratorio in One Act

Libretto

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Cast of Characters

Hecuba, Queen of Troy	Mezzo-Soprano
Cassandra, her daughter, virgin priestess of Apollo	Soprano
Andromache, wife of Hector, Hecuba’s son	Soprano
Helen, wife of Menelaus; mistress of Hecuba’s son, Paris	Soprano
Menelaus, King of Sparta	Baritone
Talthybius, Greek envoy to the Trojan prisoners	Baritone
Astyanax, infant son of Andromache and Hector	silent role
Children of Troy	
Women of Troy	
Greek Soldiers	
Chorus	

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