

NICKY SOHN

HOME-BODY, HOME-BACH

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FOR CELLO

(2020)

# Instrumentation

Cello

Duration - ca. 1 minute 45 seconds

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Commissioned by the Orchestra of St. Luke's, "Home-Body, Home-Bach" was written during the Covid-19 Pandemic. Because of the lockdown, the piece was written entirely in my apartment in Houston, TX, specifically at one exact spot- one small corner in the living room. Every musician's life has been altered- all social engagements including rehearsals and performances have moved virtually, and the pandemic has forced all of us to become home-bodies. The requirement for the commission was to write a 1 minute work based on the music of JS Bach, scored for solo cello. I used the well-known tune from Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring (BWV 147) as the basis of the piece and presented the theme in my own way.

