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#### FLÉGIE: FAURÉ

This masterpiece was composed in 1883. It is a beautiful work which shows Fauré's great gift for writing miniatures. The broad sweep of the main theme exploits the cello's elegiac qualities.

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