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für vier Streichinstrumente und Basso continuo

for four String Instruments and Basso continuo

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VORWORT

Giuseppe Torelli (geboren zu Verona, 1685–1695 in Bologna Violaspieler an S. Petronio, 1698/99 Kapellmeister des Markgrafen zu Ansbach, seit 1701 wieder in Bologna, dort gestorben 1709) ist ein bedeutender Geigenmeister gewesen und der Nachwelt durch seine Konzertwerke bekannt, die der Frühgeschichte dieser Gattung angehören. Er ist Mit-schöpfer des Solokonzertes. Torellis op. 6 „Concerti musicali“ (Bologna 1698 gedruckt), dem das hier neugedruckte Konzert entnommen ist, enthält nur erst spärliche selbständige Soli. Unser Konzert bringt solche nur im ersten Satz. Das Konzert hat die Form einer Kirchensonate in vier Sätzen, zwei Satzpaaren von je einem langsamem Satz (im Dreitakt) und einem schnellen. Adagio $\frac{3}{2}$ -Allegro, Largo $\frac{3}{2}$ -Presto.

Im Aufbau des Werkes zeigt sich trotz aller Einfachheit hoher künstlerischer Formwille, in der von einem fernen Renaissance-Ideal des 16. Jahrhunderts noch bestimmten Symmetrie der Gestaltung ist ein lebendiges Musiker-temperament gebändigt.

Kraftvolle Männlichkeit ist das Ideal der Barockzeit. Auch die beiden langsamten Sätze künden noch nichts von einer Empfindsamkeit, wie sie zuweilen Torelli schon in op. 6 ahnen lässt, sondern entsprechen den tragisch-pathetischen Lamentos der venezianischen Oper.

Der Vortrag vermeide deshalb dynamische Zwischenstufen und Ausdrucksnuancen, die einem hundert Jahre späteren Empfinden gemäß wären. Mäßige Tempi, breiter, sicherer Strich, sorgsame Abstufung der Haupttonstärken sind zu fordern.

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PREFACE

Giuseppe Torelli (born in Verona, viola player at S. Petronio in Bologna 1685–1695, director of music to the Margrave of Ansbach 1698–1699, again in Bologna from 1701, died there in 1709) was a famous master of the violin and is known to posterity for his concert works which belong to an early period of this species.

He was one of the creators of the solo concerto. Torelli's op. 6, 'Concerti musicali' (printed in Bologna 1698), from which the concerto here reprinted is taken, contains but little independent solo work. In the present concerto solo passages appear only in the first movement. The concerto is in the form of a church sonata in four movements; two pairs, each consisting of a slow movement (in triple time) and a quick one. Adagio $\frac{3}{2}$ —Allegro, Largo $\frac{3}{2}$ —Presto.

Despite all its simplicity the construction of the work displays highly artistic formal intentions, in which a lively musical temperament is restrained by a definite symmetry of form from the remote Renaissance ideal of the 16th century.

Vigorous virility was the keynote of the baroque period. Even the two slow movements still give no indication of sentimentality, as occasionally foreshadowed by Torelli in his op. 6, but rather correspond to the tragi-pathetic Lamentos of the Venetian opera.

In performance therefore, dynamic gradations and nuances of expression appropriate to the style of a century later should be avoided. Moderate tempi, broad, firm bowing, careful gradation of the strength of the main tone is what is required.

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Giuseppe Torelli

Adagio

Violino I

Violino II

Viola

Violoncello

Basso continuo

Adagio

Solo

Solo

f

f

f

f

f

f

ad lib. 7 6 col 8va... 7 5

^{*)} Die eingeklammerten Bezeichnungen sind vom Herausgeber hinzugefügt / Indications in brackets are editorial
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The musical score consists of five staves. The top two staves are for the orchestra, with dynamics *p*, *f*, *Tutti*, *Solo*, *(p)*, *pianissimo*, and *Tutti*. The third staff is for the piano, with dynamics *f* and *pp*. The fourth staff is for the bassoon, with dynamics *f* and *pp*. The bottom staff is for the piano, with dynamics *f* and *pp*. The page number 15 is at the bottom left, and the instruction "ad lib. col 8va....." is at the bottom center.

Musical score for piano and orchestra, page 30. The score consists of five staves. The top staff is for the piano, indicated by the text "piano". The second staff is for the first violin, marked with dynamic "p". The third staff is for the second violin. The fourth staff is for the cello. The bottom staff is for the double bass, also marked with dynamic "p". The score includes various musical markings such as grace notes, slurs, and dynamic changes. Measure numbers 30 and 31 are visible at the bottom left.

Allegro

Allegro

(f)

(f)

(f)

4

6 5 6 2 6 6 6 7 6

8

5b 7b b 5b 7 # 8

7

11

(*cresc.*) *mf* 6 5b 6 5b (6)

(*f*) (*mf*) (*f*) (*mf*)

(*f*) (*f*) (*f*) (*f*)

15

6 b 4 3# *ad lib.* 6 6b 5

(*f*) (*f*) (*f*) (*f*)

19

8va.... 6 4 6 4 6 4 6 7 6 5

Largo

(p)

(cresc.)

(p)

(cresc.)

(p)

(cresc.)

(p)

(cresc.)

15

forte

f

f

f

f

ad lib. \overline{P}_6 \overline{P}_5 col 8va.....

Presto

(f)

(p)

(mf)

Presto

(f)

6 5 6 5 b 4 3 # b 5 4 6 6 6 #

(p)

(p)

(f)

(p)

(p)

5

6 6 6 6 # 6 6 5 3# 6 6 5

tr

(cresc.)

(p)

(mf)

(mf)

10

6 5 6 6 6 # 6 # 6 6 6 b

Musical score for orchestra and piano, featuring four systems of music with dynamic markings and measure numbers 15, 20, and 24.

System 1 (Measures 1-14): The score consists of five staves. The top three staves are for woodwind instruments (Flute, Clarinet, Bassoon) and the bottom two are for brass (Trombone, Horn). The piano part is on the far right. Dynamics include *(forte)*, *(f)*, *(p)*, and *(ff)*. Measure 15 begins with a forte dynamic.

System 2 (Measures 15-24): The score includes five staves: Flute, Clarinet, Bassoon, Trombone, and Horn. The piano part is on the far right. Measure 15 starts with a forte dynamic. Measures 16-17 show a piano section with dynamics *(piano)* and *(forte)*. Measure 18 begins with a forte dynamic. Measure 19 shows a piano section with dynamics *(piano)* and *(forte)*.

System 3 (Measures 25-34): The score includes five staves: Flute, Clarinet, Bassoon, Trombone, and Horn. The piano part is on the far right. Measure 25 begins with a forte dynamic. Measures 26-27 show a piano section with dynamics *(mf)* and *(p)*. Measure 28 begins with a forte dynamic. Measure 29 shows a piano section with dynamics *(mf)* and *(p)*.

System 4 (Measures 35-44): The score includes five staves: Flute, Clarinet, Bassoon, Trombone, and Horn. The piano part is on the far right. Measure 35 begins with a forte dynamic. Measures 36-37 show a piano section with dynamics *(mf)* and *(p)*. Measure 38 begins with a forte dynamic. Measure 39 shows a piano section with dynamics *(mf)* and *(p)*.

29

34

Adagio e piano

38

col 8va.....

Detailed description: The musical score is for four voices (Treble, Bass, Alto, Tenor) and includes a piano part. Measure 29 starts with a treble clef, a bass clef, an alto clef, and a tenor clef. The music features various dynamics including crescendo, mezzo-forte, forte, and piano. Measure 34 begins with a treble clef, bass clef, alto clef, and tenor clef. It includes dynamic markings such as (p), f, and p, and a tempo instruction 'Adagio e piano'. Measure 38 starts with a treble clef, bass clef, alto clef, and tenor clef. It ends with a dynamic marking 'p' and a tempo marking 'Adagio e piano'. The score also includes a 'col 8va.....' instruction.