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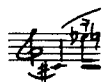
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FRANK MARTIN

QUATRE PIECES BREVES

pour la Guitare

- I. Prélude*
- II. Air*
- III. Plainte*
- IV. Comme une Gigue*



Vorwort

Diese Ausgabe der *Quatre pièces brèves pour la guitare* gibt das Werk in der Form des endgültigen Manuskriptes wieder, das Frank Martin 1955 niedergeschrieben und der Universal Edition übergeben hat.

Frank Martin hatte vor der Niederschrift dieses Manuskriptes die Komposition schon mehrfach in anderen Versionen notiert:

Die ursprüngliche Fassung für Gitarre solo ist 1933 entstanden; ein wenig später, auf Anregung von Ernest Ansermet, folgte eine Fassung für großes Orchester, welche bereits 1934 von Frank Martin neuerlich revidiert wurde; ebenfalls 1934 transkribierte der Komponist, da er die Gitarre-Fassung als möglicherweise zu schwer spielbar ansah, diese vier Stücke für Klavier und gab beiden den Titel „*Guitare*“ *pour orchestre* bzw. „*Guitare*“ *pour piano*.

1939 interessierte sich der Züricher Gitarrist Hermann Leeb für Frank Martins Gitarren-Stücke. Der Komponist sandte ihm ein (für diesen Zweck vermutlich neu angefertigtes) Manuskript, welches gewisse Erleichterungen enthält, jedoch im II. und III. Stück geringfügig, im I. und IV. hingegen bedeutend von jenem Manuskript abweicht, welches die Universal Edition 1955 von Frank Martin erhalten hat.

Preface

The present edition of the *Quatre pièces brèves pour la guitare* presents the work in the form in which it appears in the definitive manuscript which Frank Martin wrote in 1955 and gave to Universal Edition.

This manuscript is predated by a number of different versions of the work by the composer:

The original composition for guitar solo dates from 1933. Only a short time later Martin arranged it for large orchestra, at the instigation of Ernest Ansermet. This version was revised as early as 1934, and in the same year Martin produced a new arrangement, this time for piano, on the grounds that the guitar version might present inordinate technical difficulties. The composer designated the two arrangements "*Guitare*" *pour orchestre* and "*Guitare*" *pour piano*.

In 1939 the Zurich guitarist Hermann Leeb began looking into Martin's compositions for guitar. The composer sent him a manuscript (probably written out expressly for this purpose) of the *Quatre pièces brèves*. It contains certain technical simplifications and also a number of divergences from the manuscript given to Universal Edition in 1955 – minor divergences in pieces II and III but major changes in pieces I and IV.

Préface

La présente édition des *Quatre pièces brèves pour la guitare* correspond au manuscrit définitif que Frank Martin a noté en 1955 et remis à l'Universal Edition.

Avant ce manuscrit Frank Martin avait déjà noté plusieurs autres versions de la composition:

La version initiale, pour la guitare, date de l'année 1933; peu après suit une version pour grand orchestre, due à une suggestion d'Ernest Ansermet, que Frank Martin révisé dès 1934. En 1934 également, le compositeur transcrit pour le piano les quatre pièces, étant de l'avis que la version pour la guitare pourrait être trop difficile à jouer. Il intitule les transcriptions "*Guitare*" *pour orchestre* et "*Guitare*" *pour piano*.

En 1939 le guitariste zurichois Hermann Leeb s'intéresse aux pièces pour la guitare de Frank Martin. Le compositeur lui envoie un nouveau manuscrit (probablement établi expressément à cet effet), simplifié à certains égards. Par rapport au manuscrit remis à l'Universal Edition en 1955, la II^e et la III^e pièce en diffèrent légèrement, la I^{ère} et la IV^e en sont considérablement différentes.

Quant à la I^{ère} pièce, sur toutes les versions connues, seule la version Leeb présente des variations: elles concernent l'agencement ryth-

mique-métrique de la "cadence" désignée par "lent" (le mot "cadence", lui aussi, n'apparaît que dans ce manuscrit). Quatre mesures avant la fin (cinq dans la présente édition), les hauteurs de son, elles aussi, sont différentes.

En ce qui concerne la IV^e pièce, le seul manuscrit sur lequel est basée la présente édition met en évidence un élargissement de la dernière section ("Tempo I") de neuf mesures au total. Le manuscrit de la version Leeb correspond ici presque à la lettre à celui de la version pour orchestre et la version pour piano établie à proximité temporelle immédiate.

Pour illustrer les plus importantes différences des deux manuscrits pour la guitare et pour en prouver l'authenticité, la présente édition en comporte les fac-similés.

Pour simplifier le passage difficile mesures 16 - 20 de la III^e pièce ("Plainte"), le compositeur a accepté la proposition de le transposer à l'octave inférieure (voir page 6 et suiv.).

M. M.

Une copie complète de la version Leeb mentionnée plus haut peut être fournie par Universal Edition sur demande.

In piece I the only version of all those known to us which contains divergences is the Leeb manuscript. They involve the rhythmic and metrical disposition of the "cadence" which is headed "lent". (The word "cadence", incidentally, also occurs only in this manuscript.) Moreover the note pitches are different four bars (in the present edition five bars) before the end.

In piece IV, on the other hand, it is the manuscript on which the present edition is based which is the only version to contain an expansion of the final section ("Tempo I") by nine bars in all. Here the Leeb manuscript is almost exactly identical with the orchestral version and the chronologically very close piano version.

To illustrate the major divergences between the two guitar manuscripts and to document their authenticity the present edition includes both in facsimile.

To make the difficult passage in bars 16 - 20 of piece III easier to play it has been transposed down an octave, with the composer's approval (see pp. 6 f.).

M. M.

A complete copy of the above-mentioned Leeb manuscript can be obtained from the publisher on request.

Manuskript für den Zürcher Gitarristen Hermann Leeb (1939?)

Manuscript for the Zurich guitarist Hermann Leeb (1939?)

Manuscrit pour le guitariste zurichois Hermann Leeb (1939?)

Manuskript der vorliegenden Ausgabe (1955)

Manuscript of the present edition (1955)

Manuscrit de la présente édition (1955)

I.: letzter Abschnitt / final section / dernière section

IV.: letzter Abschnitt / final section / dernière section

QUATRE PIÈCES BREVES

pour la Guitare
(1933)

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Frank Martin
(1890–1974)

I. Prélude

Lent

Plus vite

Lent

molto riten.

mf *expressif*

cresc.

un poco ritenuto

menof *cresc.*

f *(p) doux* *tres chanté*

III.....

Vite

pp

i m a m

rin f

men op

m i m a i

cresc.

f

dimin.

p

cresc.

sf

Musical staff 1: Treble clef, key signature of one sharp (F#), 3/4 time signature. The staff contains a series of chords and melodic lines. A dynamic marking of *f* is present below the staff.

Musical staff 2: Treble clef, key signature of one sharp (F#), 3/4 time signature. The staff contains a series of chords and melodic lines. A dynamic marking of *sempre cresc.* is present below the staff. A *riten.* marking is above the staff.

Musical staff 3: Treble clef, key signature of one sharp (F#), 3/4 time signature. The staff contains a series of chords and melodic lines. A dynamic marking of *ff* is present below the staff. A *Lent* marking is above the staff. A *tr* marking with the number 131 is above the staff.

Musical staff 4: Treble clef, key signature of one sharp (F#), 3/4 time signature. The staff contains a series of chords and melodic lines. A dynamic marking of *ff* is present below the staff. A *Lent* marking is above the staff. A *tr* marking with the number 131 is above the staff.

Musical staff 5: Treble clef, key signature of one sharp (F#), 3/4 time signature. The staff contains a series of chords and melodic lines. A dynamic marking of *pp* is present below the staff. A *Vite* marking is above the staff.

Musical staff 6: Treble clef, key signature of one sharp (F#), 3/4 time signature. The staff contains a series of chords and melodic lines.

Musical staff 7: Treble clef, key signature of one sharp (F#), 3/4 time signature. The staff contains a series of chords and melodic lines. A dynamic marking of *f subito* is present below the staff. A *Large* marking is above the staff. A *sempre f* marking is below the staff.

II. Air

Lent et bien rythmé

II.....

(p) doux

IV IV IX

moins doux

cresc.

f

I.....

dimin.

marc.

p

III. Plainte

Sans lenteur

très en dehors

The first system of the musical score consists of five staves. The top staff is a treble clef with a 2/4 time signature. The music is characterized by complex rhythmic patterns, including many triplets and sixteenth-note runs. The key signature has one flat (B-flat). The tempo marking is 'Sans lenteur' and the performance instruction is '*très en dehors*'. The system concludes with a dynamic marking of *sf* (sforzando) and a fermata.

un poco riten.

court

più p

The second system of the musical score consists of four staves. It begins with a dynamic marking of *ff* (fortissimo) and a tempo marking of *a tempo*. The music features repeated rhythmic motifs, primarily triplets, across all staves. The system is divided into two parts, labeled 'I' and 'II', by a dashed line. The key signature remains one flat. The system ends with a fermata.

*) so im Manuskript (siehe Vorwort) / thus the manuscript (see preface) / voir manuscrit (préface)

etc.

molto stringendo

Quasi allegro

molto riten.

rall.
più p
pizz.

Vite
toujours pp

sourd et bref
gliss.

IV. Comme une Gigue

Con moto

The musical score is written for a single melodic line on a treble clef staff in G major and 3/4 time. It begins with a mezzo-forte (*mf*) dynamic. The piece is marked 'Con moto'. The score is divided into several sections, some indicated by Roman numerals: III, X, II, III, VI. Fingerings are indicated by numbers 1-4. The dynamics vary throughout, including *cresc.*, *più f*, *meno f*, and *dim.*. The piece concludes with a final cadence in 3/4 time.

mf chante

Musical score for a piano piece, page 9. The score consists of ten staves of music. It begins with a treble clef and a 3/4 time signature. The first staff has a dynamic marking of *pp* and features a triplet of eighth notes. The second staff continues with similar triplet patterns. The third staff has a *V* marking above it. The fourth staff has a *mf* dynamic marking and includes *III* markings above it. The fifth staff has *VI*, *X.....*, and *XIV* markings above it. The sixth staff has a *cresc.* marking and a *ff* dynamic marking. The seventh staff has *VII.....*, *VI*, and *V.....* markings above it. The eighth staff has *III.....* and *IV.....* markings above it. The ninth staff has *sempre ff* and *3 un poco rit.* markings. The tenth staff ends with a circled *6*.

a tempo

a m i

8 *pp subito*

Detailed description: This staff features a melodic line with multiple triplet markings (groups of three notes) and fingerings (1, 2, 3). The bass line consists of vertical strokes with accents. The dynamic marking is *pp subito*.

8 *ppp*

rallent.

perdendosi

Detailed description: This staff continues the melodic line with triplets and fingerings. The dynamic marking is *ppp*. The tempo marking is *rallent.* and the phrase *perdendosi* is written at the end. The bass line has vertical strokes with accents.

Lent

8

Tempo I.

pp

mf

Detailed description: This section marks a change in tempo from *Lent* to *Tempo I.* The melodic line starts with a *pp* dynamic and moves to *mf*. The bass line has vertical strokes with accents.

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cresc.

Detailed description: This staff continues the melodic line with a *cresc.* dynamic marking. The bass line has vertical strokes and accents.

più f

Detailed description: This staff continues the melodic line with a *più f* dynamic marking. The bass line has vertical strokes and accents.

Detailed description: This staff continues the melodic line. The bass line has vertical strokes and accents.

Plus lent très déclamé

III

ff

Detailed description: This section is marked *Plus lent très déclamé* and *III*. The melodic line features a *ff* dynamic marking. The bass line has vertical strokes and accents.