



Variations on a Theme by Haydn

JOHANNES BRAHMS

Arranged by JOHN WHITNEY (ASCAP)

INSTRUMENTATION

1 Conductor	1 3rd F Horn	1 Mallet Percussion (Bells)
1 1st Flute	1 4th F Horn	1 Timpani (G-C-D)
1 2nd Flute	1 1st B \flat Trumpet	1 Percussion I (Triangle)
1 Oboe	1 2nd B \flat Trumpet	8 1st Violin
1 1st B \flat Clarinet	1 3rd B \flat Trumpet	8 2nd Violin
1 2nd B \flat Clarinet	1 1st Trombone	5 Viola
1 B \flat Bass Clarinet	1 2nd Trombone	5 Cello
1 Bassoon	1 3rd Trombone	5 String Bass
1 1st F Horn	1 Tuba	
1 2nd F Horn		

NOTES TO THE CONDUCTOR

The original Brahms' setting of the Haydn theme is in B \flat Major and lasts for approximately 17 minutes. The repeat signs in the first 46 measures of this paraphrase may be considered optional. They are there to reflect Brahms' instructions when he adapted the "Chorale St. Antoni" for his variations. If the repeats are observed, it will add about two minutes to the performance time. This work has a very linear style, with long lines and sinewy inner parts moving in counterpoint. The character of the music changes quite radically, beginning at measure 110. The triplets begin a marcato section, which carries through to the grandiose ending. Some portions of the piece have phrases, which might be shown more successfully with a two-beat from the podium. One of our chief goals, as music educators, should be to offer "aesthetic experiences" for our students as often as possible. Masterpieces like those adapted by Merle Isaac and others need to be included in the repertoire presented to school groups. Hopefully, you will enjoy the beauty and craft of Mr. Brahms with your orchestra!

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NOTE FROM THE EDITOR

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CONDUCTOR SCORE

Duration - 4:45

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Andante (♩ = 88)

The score is arranged for a full orchestra and includes the following parts:

- Flutes:** I and II, starting with a forte (*f*) dynamic.
- Oboe:** Solo part starting with a piano (*p*) dynamic.
- B♭ Clarinets:** I and II, starting with a piano (*p*) dynamic.
- B♭ Bass Clarinet:** Solo part starting with a piano (*p*) dynamic.
- Bassoon:** Solo part starting with a piano (*p*) dynamic.
- Horns in F:** I, II, III, and IV, starting with a piano (*p*) dynamic.
- B♭ Trumpets:** I, II, and III, starting with a mezzo-forte (*mf*) dynamic.
- Trombones:** I, II, and III, starting with a mezzo-forte (*mf*) dynamic.
- Tuba:** Solo part starting with a mezzo-forte (*mf*) dynamic.
- Mallet Percussion (Bells):** Solo part.
- Timpani (G-C-D):** Solo part.
- Percussion I (Triangle):** Solo part.
- Violins:** I and II, starting with a piano (*p*) dynamic.
- Viola:** Solo part starting with a piano (*p*) dynamic.
- Cello:** Solo part starting with a piano (*p*) dynamic.
- String Bass:** Solo part starting with a piano (*p*) dynamic.

Performance markings include *p* (piano), *f* (forte), *mf* (mezzo-forte), *CL I* (Clarinet I), *Oboe I*, *Tutti*, and *pizz.* (pizzicato). Measure numbers 1 through 8 are indicated at the bottom of the score.

30

Fls. I, II

Ob.

Cls. I, II

B. Cl.

Bsn.

Hns. I, II, III, IV

Tpts. I, II, III

Tbns. I, II, III

Tuba

Mlt. Perc.

Timp.

Perc. I

Vlns. I, II

Vla.

Cello

Str. Bass

pp, *p*, *mf*

a2

(Tpt. III)

arco

30

Vlns. I, II

Vla.

Cello

Str. Bass

pp, *p*, *mf*

arco

25

26

27

28

pp

29

30

p

31

32

Fls. I II

Ob.

Cls. I II

B. Cl.

Bsn.

Hns. I II III IV

Tpts. I II III

Tbns. I II III

Tuba

Mlt. Perc.

Timp.

Perc. 1

Vlns. I II

Vla.

Cello

Str. Bass

Fls. I II

Ob.

Cls. I II

B. Cl.

Bsn.

dolce
p

(Flute I)

dolce
p

dolce
p

dolce
p

quasi pizz.
p

Hns. I II III IV

Tpts. I II III

Tbns. I II III

Tuba

dolce
p

dolce
p

Mlt. Perc.

Timp.

Perc. I

Vlins. I II

Vla.

Cello

Str. Bass

dolce
p

dolce
p

dolce
p

dolce
p

pizz.
mp

1/2 -4 1

Fls. I, II

Ob.

Cls. I, II

B. Cl.

Bsn.

Hns. I, II, III, IV

Tpts. I, II, III

Tbns. I, II, III

Tuba

Mlt. Perc.

Timp.

Perc. I

Vlins. I, II

Vla.

Cello

Str. Bass

mp

arco

mf

mf

mf

Fls. I

Fls. II

Ob.

Cls. I

Cls. II

B. Cl.

Bsn.

Hns. I

Hns. II

Hns. III

Hns. IV

Tpts. I

Tpts. II

Tpts. III

Tbns. I

Tbns. II

Tbns. III

Tuba

Mlt. Perc.

Timp.

Perc. I

Vlns. I

Vlns. II

Vla.

Cello

Str. Bass

Fls. I II

Ob.

Cls. I II

B. Cl.

Bsn.

Hns. I II III IV

Tpts. I II III

Tbns. I II III

Tuba

Mlt. Perc.

Timp.

Perc. I

Vlins. I II

Vla.

Cello

Str. Bass

Solo

p

Solo

p

Solo

p

(Bsn. I)

Solo

pp

p

p

p

73 74 75 76 77 78 79 80



Fls. I *mf* (Flute I) *p*

Fls. II

Ob. *p*

Cls. I *mf* *p*

Cls. II *p* Solo

B. Cl.

Bsn. *mf* *mf* *p*

Hns. I, II, III, IV

Tpts. I, II, III

Tbns. I, II, III

Tuba

Mlt. Perc.

Timp.

Perc. I

Vlns. I *mf* *p*

Vlns. II *mf* *p*

Vla. *mf* *p*

Cello *mf* *p*

Str. Bass *mf* *pizz.* *p* *arco*

81 82 83 84 85 86 87 88

Fls. I *sf* *p* *sf* *p* *p*

Fls. II *sf* *p* *sf* *p* *p*

Ob. *sf* *p* *sf* *p* *p*

Cls. I *sf* *p* *sf* *p* *pp*

Cls. II *sf* *p* *sf* *p* *pp*

B. Cl. *sf* *p* *sf* *p* *pp* (Bsn. II)

Bsn. *sf* *p* *sf* *p* *pp*

Hns. I *sf* *p* *sf* *p* *pp*

Hns. II *sf* *p* *sf* *p* *pp*

Hns. III *sf* *p* *sf* *p* *pp*

Hns. IV *sf* *p* *sf* *p* *pp*

Tpts. I *sf* *p* *sf* *p* *pp*

Tpts. II *sf* *p* *sf* *p* *pp*

Tpts. III *sf* *p* *sf* *p* *pp*

Tbns. I *sf* *p* *sf* *p* *pp*

Tbns. II *sf* *p* *sf* *p* *pp*

Tbns. III *sf* *p* *sf* *p* *pp*

Tuba *sf* *p* *sf* *p* *pp*

Mlt. Perc. *sf* *p* *sf* *p* *pp*

Timp. *sf* *p* *sf* *p* *pp*

Perc. I *sf* *p* *sf* *p* *pp*

Vlms. I *sf* *p* *sf* *p* *pp* *pizz.*

Vlms. II *sf* *p* *sf* *p* *pp* *pizz.*

Vla. *sf* *p* *sf* *p* *pp* *pizz.*

Cello *sf* *p* *sf* *p* *pp* *pizz.*

Str. Bass *sf* *p* *sf* *p* *pp* *pizz.*

89 90 91 92 93 94 95

Fls. I, II

Ob.

Cls. I, II

B. Cl.

Bsn.

Hns. I, II, III, IV

Tpts. I, II, III

Tbns. I, II, III

Tuba

Mlt. Perc.

Timp.

Perc. I

96 Tempo primo

Vlns. I, II

Vla.

Cello

Str. Bass

marcato

Fls. I, II

Ob.

Cls. I, II

B. Cl.

Bsn.

Hns. I, II, III, IV

Tpts. I, II, III

Tbns. I, II, III

Tuba

Mlt. Perc.

Timp.

Perc. I

marcato

Vlns. I, II

Vla.

Cello

Str. Bass

Fls. I
Fls. II
Ob.
Cls. I
Cls. II
B. Cl.
Bsn.
Hns. I
Hns. II
Hns. III
Hns. IV
Tpts. I
Tpts. II
Tpts. III
Tbns. I
Tbns. II
Tbns. III
Tuba
Mlt. Perc.
Timp.
Perc. I

Vlns. I
Vlns. II
Vla.
Cello
Str. Bass

This page of a musical score, numbered 19, contains staves for various instruments. The woodwind section includes Flutes (I and II), Oboe, Clarinets (I and II), Bass Clarinet, and Bassoon. The brass section includes Horns (I, II, III, IV), Trumpets (I, II, III), Trombones (I, II, III), and Tuba. The percussion section includes Milt. Perc., Timp., and Perc. I. The string section includes Violins (I and II), Viola, Cello, and Str. Bass. The score is written in a key with one sharp (F#) and a common time signature. A large, diagonal red watermark reading "Preview Only" is overlaid across the entire page. The bottom of the page shows measure numbers 131 through 135.

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I Fls.

II Fls.

Ob.

I Cls.

II Cls.

B. Cl.

Bsn.

I Hns.

II Hns.

III Hns.

IV Hns.

I Tpts.

II Tpts.

III Tpts.

I Tbps.

II Tbps.

III Tbps.

Tuba

Mlt. Perc.

Timp.

Perc. I

rit.

I Vlns.

II Vlns.

Vla.

Cello

Str. Bass