

ALLEGRO FROM “QUINTEN” QUARTET

Op. 76, No. 2

Franz Joseph Haydn

Arranged by Brendan McBrien

INSTRUMENTATION

Conductor Score	1
Violin I	8
Violin II	8
Viola	5
Cello	5
String Bass	5

PROGRAM NOTES

Composed in 1797, near the end of his life, this work displays Haydn's fondness for captivating rhythms and sonorities and is nicknamed the “Quinten” (or “Fifths”) Quartet after the falling perfect fifths that are a thematic feature in this first movement. The four-note motif is an almost constant presence, either in its original shape or in augmented, diminished, or canonic versions. Written in the dark key of D minor, this work, set in sonata form, is reminiscent of the “Sturm und Drang” (“storm and stress”) style of the 1760s and 70s, which featured a rhythmic and harmonic agitation that propelled the music with, at times, maniacal energy. During that period, Haydn wrote a number of symphonies in that style. Notable examples are Symphony No. 44 “Trauer” (“Mourning”), Symphony No. 45 “Farewell,” and Symphony No. 49 “La Passione.”

NOTES TO THE CONDUCTOR

Both musicians and audience will be captivated by this chamber music masterpiece set for string orchestra, with an added bass part to strengthen its harmonic movement, making this the perfect concert or contest closer for your orchestra. Since this is an arrangement of a string quartet, great care should be given to matching intonation and articulation styles to capture the transparent texture of chamber music. Effort went into creating a string bass part that supported the music without simply following the cello at the octave. While this work could be performed without a bass, the expanded sonorities of the string ensemble would be enhanced by the bass part, making the harmonies richer and clearer.



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Duration - 4:00

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Allegro (♩ = 124)

Violins

Viola

Cello

String Bass

Vlns.

Vla.

Cello

Str. Bass

f

p

1 2 3

4 5 6

Vlns. I

Vlns. II

Vla.

Cello

Str. Bass

7 8 9

mf *mp*

Vlns. I

Vlns. II

Vla.

Cello

Str. Bass

10 11 12

p *f* *div.*

13

Vlns. I *mf* *fz*

Vlns. II *mf*

Vla. *mf*

Cello

Str. Bass

13 14 15

Vlns. I *tr* *fz*

Vlns. II *fz*

Vla. *fz*

Cello *mf* *fz*

Str. Bass *mf* *fz*

16 17 18

20

Vlns. I

Vlns. II

Vla.

Cello

Str. Bass

19 20 21

fz *div.* *fz*

fz *fz* *fz*

fz *fz* *fz*

fz *fz* *fz*

fz *fz* *fz*

Vlns. I

Vlns. II

Vla.

Cello

Str. Bass

22 23 24

cresc. *cresc.* *cresc.* *cresc.* *cresc.*

f *f* *f* *f* *f*

div.

f *f* *f* *f* *f*

Score for Violins (Vlns.), Viola (Vla.), Cello, and String Bass (Str. Bass) from measures 25 to 28. The score is marked *p* (piano) throughout. The Violins (I and II) and Viola parts feature a melodic line with a crescendo leading to a dynamic change to *p* at measure 28. The Cello and String Bass parts provide a harmonic foundation, with the String Bass entering at measure 26.

25 26 27 28

Score for Violins (Vlns.), Viola (Vla.), Cello, and String Bass (Str. Bass) from measures 29 to 31. The score is marked *mf* (mezzo-forte) and *f* (forte). The Violins (I and II) and Viola parts feature a melodic line with a crescendo leading to a dynamic change to *f* at measure 31. The Cello and String Bass parts provide a harmonic foundation, with the String Bass entering at measure 29.

29 30 31

32

Vlns. I

Vlns. II

Vla.

Cello

Str. Bass

32 33

Vlns. I

Vlns. II

Vla.

Cello

Str. Bass

34 35 36

div.

Vlns. I

Vlns. II

Vla.

Cello

Str. Bass

37 38

Vlns. I

Vlns. II

Vla.

Cello

Str. Bass

39 40

f

Vlns. I

Vlns. II

Vla.

Cello

Str. Bass

41 42 43

Vlns. I

Vlns. II

Vla.

Cello

Str. Bass

44 45 46

Score for Violins (Vlns.), Viola (Vla.), Cello, and String Bass (Str. Bass).

Measures 47, 48, and 49.

Violins I and II: *fz* (fortissimo), *div.* (divisi).

Viola: *fz* (fortissimo).

Cello: *mf* (mezzo-forte) in measure 47, *fz* (fortissimo) in measure 48.

String Bass: *mf* (mezzo-forte) in measure 48.

Score for Violins (Vlns.), Viola (Vla.), Cello, and String Bass (Str. Bass).

Measures 50, 51, and 52.

Violins I and II: *fz* (fortissimo).

Viola: *fz* (fortissimo).

Cello: *fz* (fortissimo).

String Bass: *fz* (fortissimo).

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

53 54 55

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

56 57 58

Score for measures 59-62, featuring Violins (Vlns.), Viola (Vla.), Cello, and String Bass (Str. Bass).

Measures 59-62 show a complex rhythmic pattern in the lower strings (Cello and Str. Bass) and Viola, marked *sim.* (sustained). The Violins (Vlns.) play a melodic line, with the second violin (II) marked *f* (forte) in measure 61.

Measures 59, 60, 61, 62

Score for measures 63-65, featuring Violins (Vlns.), Viola (Vla.), Cello, and String Bass (Str. Bass).

Measures 63-65 show a complex rhythmic pattern in the Violins (Vlns.), marked *f* (forte). The Viola (Vla.), Cello, and Str. Bass play a melodic line, with the Cello marked *f* (forte) in measure 65.

Measures 63, 64, 65

Vlns. I

Vlns. II

Vla.

Cello

Str. Bass

66

67

f

Vlns. I

Vlns. II

Vla.

Cello

Str. Bass

68

69

f

ossia

Score for measures 70 and 71, featuring Violins (Vlns.), Viola (Vla.), Cello, and String Bass (Str. Bass).

Measure 70: Violins I and II play a melodic line. Viola and Cello are silent. String Bass plays a low note.

Measure 71: Violins I and II continue the melodic line. Viola and Cello enter with a strong *f* (forte) dynamic. String Bass continues the low note.

Rehearsal mark 70 is indicated below the String Bass staff.

Score for measures 72 through 75, featuring Violins (Vlns.), Viola (Vla.), Cello, and String Bass (Str. Bass).

Measure 72: Violins I and II play a melodic line. Viola and Cello enter with a strong *ff* (fortissimo) dynamic. String Bass continues the low note.

Measures 73-75: Violins I and II continue the melodic line. Viola and Cello continue with the *ff* dynamic. String Bass continues the low note.

Rehearsal mark 72 is indicated above the Violins I staff.

Score for measures 76-79, featuring Vlns. I & II, Vla., Cello, and Str. Bass.

Measures 76-79 show a rhythmic pattern in the lower strings (Vla., Cello, Str. Bass) and a melodic line in the upper strings (Vlns. I & II). The Vlns. I & II parts are marked *fz* (for measures 76-78) and *p* (for measure 79). The Vla., Cello, and Str. Bass parts are marked *fz* (for measures 76-78) and *p* (for measure 79). The Vlns. I & II parts are marked *div.* (for measure 76).

Measures 76, 77, 78, and 79 are indicated below the staff.

Score for measures 80-83, featuring Vlns. I & II, Vla., Cello, and Str. Bass.

Measures 80-83 show a rhythmic pattern in the lower strings (Vla., Cello, Str. Bass) and a melodic line in the upper strings (Vlns. I & II). The Vlns. I & II parts are marked *p* (for measures 80-82) and *div.* (for measure 83). The Vla., Cello, and Str. Bass parts are marked *p* (for measures 80-82) and *p* (for measure 83). The Vlns. I & II parts are marked *div.* (for measure 83).

Measures 80, 81, 82, and 83 are indicated below the staff.

86

Vlns. I

Vlns. II

Vla.

Cello

Str. Bass

84 85 86

Vlns. I

Vlns. II

Vla.

Cello

Str. Bass

sim.

sim.

87 88 89

Vlns. I

Vlns. II

Vla.

Cello

Str. Bass

pp

pp

pp

pp

pp

90 91 92 93

Vlns. I

Vlns. II

Vla.

Cello

Str. Bass

f

f

f

f

f

94 95

Vlns. I

Vlns. II

Vla.

Cello

Str. Bass

96 97

Vlns. I

Vlns. II

Vla.

Cello

Str. Bass

98 99 100

Vlns. I

Vlns. II

Vla.

Cello

Str. Bass

101 102

Vlns. I

Vlns. II

Vla.

Cello

Str. Bass

f 103 104 105

106 107 108 109

Vlns. I II

Vla.

Cello

Str. Bass

p *f* *p* *f*

LH V

110 111 112

Vlns. I II

Vla.

Cello

Str. Bass

f

LH V

Vlns. I

Vlns. II

Vla.

Cello

Str. Bass

113

114

Vlns. I

Vlns. II

Vla.

Cello

Str. Bass

115

116

118

Vlns. I

Vlns. II

Vla.

Cello

Str. Bass

cresc.

cresc.

cresc.

cresc.

117

118

Vlns. I

Vlns. II

Vla.

Cello

Str. Bass

119

120

Vlns. I *p* *cresc.*

Vlns. II *p* *cresc.* *div.*

Vla. *p* *cresc.*

Cello *p* *cresc.*

Str. Bass *p* *cresc.*

121 122

Vlns. I *ff* *div.*

Vlns. II *ff* *div.*

Vla. *ff*

Cello *ff*

Str. Bass *ff*

123 124 125

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