JOHANN STRAUSS, JR.

(STROWS) 1825-1899

Known as the "Waltz King," Johann Strauss, Jr. was one of the most popular musicians of his time. Strauss showed an early talent for music, foiling his fathers' desire for Johann to go into business as a career.

Johann's father had an orchestra that played dance music throughout Europe. In 1841 Johann Strauss, Jr. formed his own orchestra that also toured Europe. He merged his and his father's orchestras after his father died.

Strauss wrote over 500 waltzes, but also wrote many fine operettas and music for the theater.

Duet Accompaniment

In the accompaniments, notes with *stems up* are to be played with the *right hand*. Notes with *stems down* are to be played with the *left hand*.

Emperor Waltz

L.H. Position

R.H. Position

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Tempo di Valse

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