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Rhapsody in Blue

George Gershwin

Arranged by Fred Mills - Edited by P. Bradley Ulrich

Rhapsody in Blue was written by the American composer, George Gershwin in 1924. Combining both classical and jazz elements, this work, originally for solo piano and jazz band, is considered the most popular concert work written by an American.

The manuscript for this brass quintet arrangement was completed in 1981 by Fred Mills, who passed away on September 7, 2009. Fred was a Canadian trumpeter and educator, best known for his work with the Canadian Brass quintet from 1972 to 1996. After his illustrious career with the Canadian Brass, Fred joined the Music Faculty in the Hugh Hodgson School of Music at the University of Georgia, where he held the William F. and Pamela P. Prokasy Professorship in the Arts.

Fred's handwritten manuscript of *Rhapsody in Blue* for brass quintet had been abandoned in 1981 and was discovered again after his death, when his musical belongings were donated to the library at UGA. P. Bradley Ulrich, Professor of Trumpet at Western Carolina University, tracked down this manuscript with the help of Dr. Brandon Craswell, Professor of Trumpet at the University of Georgia. The entry of the score into a music notation program, editing, editorial rehearsals, and publishing, took six months to complete and has given brass quintets around the world another fantastic arrangement by Fred Mills.

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Brass Quintet

Rhapsody in Blue

G. Gershwin
(1898-1937)

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B♭ Trumpet 1

B♭ Trumpet 2 and B♭ Piccolo Trumpet

F Horn

Trombone

Tuba

alone tr

quasi clarinet

mp

Picc

f

f

f

f

5

6

7

8

9

rall.

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6

7

8

9

Picc

f

tr

3

3

3

11

12

13

14 *rit.*

harmon mute

15 *tr*

mf

mf

mf

f

mf

to B♭

3

3

3

A

d=76

WA 17 WA 19 open
mf 3 3 *f* 3

B♭ Tpt
mf

mf *f* *mf*

mf *mf*

mf *mf*

21 *bassoon* 22 23 24 *d=80*
f *mp* *mp*

f

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f

mp

25 26 27 28 29 *rall.*

p *mp*

p *mp*

p *mp*

B $\text{♩} = 100$

mf

f

ff

f

34 $\text{♩} = 100$

35 $\text{♩} = 100$

36 $\text{♩} = 100$

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ff

ff

ff

rall.

37 $\text{♩} = 84$

38 $\text{♩} = 84$

39 $\text{♩} = 84$

(no gliss 2x) 3 3

p

pp

mf

mf

mf

pp

mf

pp

41

42

1.

2.

C

44

45

46

47

Scherzando

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49

50

poco agitato

51

D

3

53 54 55
 to Picc

56 57 58

f 3 3 3
 Picc

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59 60 61

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82

83

84

85

G $\text{♩} = 144$

87

88

mp

89

90

mf

91

92

93

94

95

96

97 **H**

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99

100

101

102

103

99

100

101

102

103

fp

mf

p

p

p

p

p

A musical score page showing four staves of music for piano and orchestra. The top staff is treble clef, G major (two sharps). Measures 104 and 105 show piano chords and woodwind entries. Measure 106 shows sustained notes with grace notes. Measure 107 shows sustained notes with dynamic markings. The bottom two staves are bass clef, C major (no sharps or flats). Measures 104 and 105 show bassoon entries. Measure 106 shows sustained notes with grace notes. Measure 107 shows sustained notes with dynamic markings.

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rit.

108

109

I

$\text{♩} = 144$

111

112

113

ff

ff

ff

ff

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Musical score for measures 114 through 119. The score consists of five staves. Measures 114-117 show eighth-note patterns with various slurs and grace marks. Measure 118 features a dynamic *p* and a instruction "hold plunger" above the staff. Measure 119 concludes with a sustained note.

120

121

J

f

f

f

f

$\text{♩} = 104$

to plunger

125

126

127 WA

WA

mp

WA WA WA

128 3

WA WA WA

129 open

p

open

$\text{♩} = 120$

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plunger ready

fp

fp

mp

$\text{♩} = 120$

rit.

130

132 ff

ff

ff

WA WA WA

3

ff

ff

mp

mf

$\text{♩} = 144$

133

134

$\text{♩} = 120$

135

136

K *meno mosso e scherzando* $\text{♩} = 126$

f *p* *mp* *f* *p* *p*

mf

138

139

140

142

143

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144

145

146

1.

2.

mp *p* *mf* *mf* *mf*

p *p* *mf* *mf* *mf*

mf

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162 163 164 165

a Tempo $\text{♩} = 104$

166 167 168 169 rit.

M a Tempo $\text{♩} = 104$

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171 172 173 174 175

B♭ Tpt

76

177

178

179

180

81

182

183

184

// 185 rall.

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N

$\text{♩} = 152$

p

187

188

189

p

p

mfp

p

mfp

190 191 192 193

 194 195 196 197 198

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199 200 201 O 203

 f
 Picc
 f
 f
 f
 f

Molto meno mosso $\text{♩} = 84$

Cadenza

ff

ff

ff

ff

rit.

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$\text{♩} = 60$

f

f

f

f

f

f

$\text{♩} = 90$ rubato and legato

210

211

212

213

rall.

pp

pp

pp

pp

pp

pp

pp

pp

pp

P Andantino $\text{♩} = 88$

216 *rubato* $\text{♩} = 88$

217

218

219

to B♭

B♭ Tpt

p

mf

p

p

rit.

220

221

222 $\text{♩} = 88$

223

224 *rubato* $\text{♩} = 88$

225

mp

mp

m

mp

mp

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226

227

228 $\text{♩} = 88$

229

230

231

mf

mf

3

mf

mf

mf

mf

mf

mf

mf

232 233 234 235 rit. // Q $\text{d} = 70$

238 239 240 241 242 243

pp to Picc *f* Picc

f *f* *f* *f*

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rit.

R *meno mosso* $\text{d} = 84$

244 245 246 247 248

mf *mf* *mf* *mf* *mf*

Allegro $\text{♩} = 152$

mp

249 250 251 252 253

rit.

Fast and Light $\text{♩} = 144$

f

254 255 256 257 258

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meno

S *agitato* $\text{♩} = 132$

p

to B♭

p

mf

mf

mf

259 260 261 262 263 264

Musical score for orchestra and piano, page 3, measures 265-270. The score consists of six staves. The top two staves are for the orchestra, featuring a Violin I part (measures 265-268) and a B♭ Tpt part (measures 265-270). The bottom four staves are for the piano, showing bass and treble clef staves with various dynamics like *mf*, *p*, and *f*.

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Musical score for measures 277 through 282. The score consists of five staves. Measure 277: Bassoon 1 (top staff) plays eighth-note pairs, Bassoon 2 (second staff) plays eighth-note pairs, Bassoon 3 (third staff) plays eighth-note pairs, Bassoon 4 (fourth staff) plays eighth-note pairs, and Bassoon 5 (bottom staff) plays eighth-note pairs. Measure 278: Bassoon 1 (top staff) plays eighth-note pairs, Bassoon 2 (second staff) plays eighth-note pairs, Bassoon 3 (third staff) plays eighth-note pairs, Bassoon 4 (fourth staff) plays eighth-note pairs, and Bassoon 5 (bottom staff) plays eighth-note pairs. Measure 279: Bassoon 1 (top staff) plays eighth-note pairs, Bassoon 2 (second staff) plays eighth-note pairs, Bassoon 3 (third staff) plays eighth-note pairs, Bassoon 4 (fourth staff) plays eighth-note pairs, and Bassoon 5 (bottom staff) plays eighth-note pairs. Measure 280: Bassoon 1 (top staff) plays eighth-note pairs, Bassoon 2 (second staff) plays eighth-note pairs, Bassoon 3 (third staff) plays eighth-note pairs, Bassoon 4 (fourth staff) plays eighth-note pairs, and Bassoon 5 (bottom staff) plays eighth-note pairs. Measure 281: Bassoon 1 (top staff) plays eighth-note pairs, Bassoon 2 (second staff) rests, Bassoon 3 (third staff) rests, Bassoon 4 (fourth staff) rests, and Bassoon 5 (bottom staff) rests. Measure 282: Bassoon 1 (top staff) rests, Bassoon 2 (second staff) rests, Bassoon 3 (third staff) rests, Bassoon 4 (fourth staff) rests, and Bassoon 5 (bottom staff) rests.

283 rit.

284

285

286

U Grandioso (meno mosso) $\text{d}=70$

Picc

f

f

f

f

f

ff

ff

ff

ff

ff

288

289

B♭ Tpt

f

290

291

292

293

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f

f

294

295

296

297

mf

298

mf

mf

mf

mf

mf

299 300 301 302 303 rit.
f *f* *f* *f* *f*

Molto Allargando $\text{♩} = 60$

304 V 305 306 307
ff *ff* *ff* *ff* *ff*

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308 309 310 311 312
ff *ff* *ff* *ff* *ff*

rubato a Tempo
fp *f* *ff*
fp *f* *ff*
mf *f* *ff*
fp *f* *ff*
fp *f* *ff*