GROUPONS-NOUS, ET DEMAIN

FOR TWO PIANOS

Based upon L'Internationale by Pierre Chrétien Degeyter as arranged for piano by Jerry Engelbach and re-arranged (with permission of the arranger) by David Jason Snow

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Performance instructions

The score is read graphically. Rhythms are inferred from the horizontal position of notes upon the staff. Durations, dynamics and pedaling are left to the discretion of the performers.

Repeat the score 3 times:

The first time through the score:

- Each pianist proceeds independently of the other; there should be no attempt to coordinate rhythms, durations, dynamics or pedaling between the pianos.
- Each note in each piano part is interpreted as an autonomous entity, not as a constituent part of a melody or phrase. Exaggerated contrasts in rhythm, duration, and dynamics are encouraged.
- If one pianist reaches the end of the score before the other, that performer should wait for the other to catch up before proceeding to the second play-through.

The second time through the score:

- The pianists switch parts (i.e. Piano 1 plays what was the Piano 2 part the first time through, and visa-versa).
- Each performer proceeds through his part less independently than the first time, keeping the pace of both parts roughly the same without any attempt to synchronize them.
- There should be fewer and less dramatic contrasts of rhythm, duration, and dynamics within each part, and between the two pianos, than in the first time through the score.
- The two pianists should finish at approximately the same time in order to begin the last read-through.

The third time through:

- The pianists switch back to the parts they started with.
- The performers rhythmically and melodically coordinate their parts into a unified performance of L'Internatinale, building to a rousing finale.

Duration: approximately 3:00 to 5:00.

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