

PRELUDE IN E MINOR

FREDERIC CHOPIN

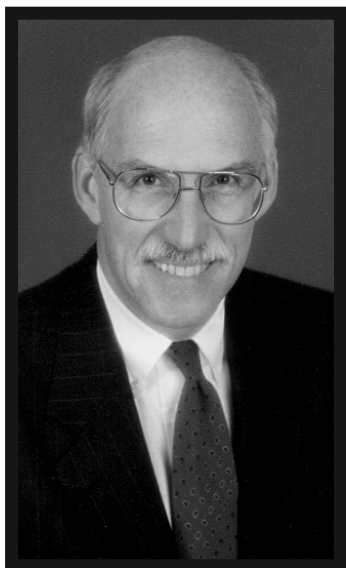
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Instrumentation

1 - Conductor's Full Score
8 - Violin 1
8 - Violin 2
5 - Viola
5 - Violoncello
5 - Double Bass

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The Arranger

Robert Longfield is an award-winning composer, arranger, and educator. Born and raised in Grand Rapids, Michigan, he graduated with honors from the University of Michigan where he studied with Jerry Bilik and Paul Boylan and was a member of the band under William D. Revelli and George Cavender. He also earned a degree from the University of Miami where he was a student of Alfred Reed.

For fifteen years Mr. Longfield was the band and orchestra director at Davison High School, Davison, Michigan. Since 1987 he has held a similar position at Miami Palmetto Senior High School, Miami, Florida. Mr. Longfield was the recipient of the "Teacher of the Year" award by the Michigan School Band and Orchestra Association. In 1996 he received the "Mr. Holland Award" from the National Academy of Recording Arts and Sciences for outstanding contributions to music education.

A member of ASCAP, Mr. Longfield has received several commissions and has over forty publications to his credit. His compositions and arrangements have been played and recorded by bands throughout the United States as well as in Canada, Europe, and Japan.

About the Music

Chopin's *Prelude in E Minor* is a darkly poetic, miniature Romantic masterpiece. Its simple and elegant melodic line, played in this transcription by violin 1, should be performed *legato* and *espressivo*. The melody is contrasted by the rich chromatic harmonies in the accompanying figures played by violin 2, viola, and cello. These lines should be well balanced and well connected throughout. After rising to a climax in measure 17, the piece quickly recedes to a final *pianissimo* conclusion. This is a wonderful piece to address sustain and bow control with young musicians.

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Opus 28, No.4

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Largo (♩ = 60)

Violin 1

p espressivo

Violin 2

p tenuto sempre

Viola

p tenuto sempre

Violoncello

p tenuto sempre

Double Bass

pizz.

p

2

3

Vln. 1

Vln. 2

Vla.

Vcl.

D.B.

4

5

6

7

Vln. 1

Vln. 2

Vla.

Vcl.

D.B.

8

9

10

11

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13

Vln. 1

Vln. 2

Vla.

Vcl.

D.B.

12 13 14 15

ossia

stretto

stretto

f

dim.

p

f

dim.

p

f

dim.

p

arco

f

mf

dim.

p

pizz.

16 17 18 19

Vln. 1

Vln. 2

Vla.

Vcl.

D.B.

20 21 22 23 24 25

pp

pp

pp

div. V

pp

arco

div. V

pp

div.