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SU LIAN TAN

# *Legends of Kintamani*

*Concerto for Violoncello and Orchestra or Piano*

I. Prelude

II. Garuda

III. Song

IV. Night

V. Finale

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*duration 31 minutes*

*Dedicated to Darrett Adkins*

## **Program Notes**

*Legends of Kintamani* was inspired by travels to Southeast Asia and specifically Bali. The five movement story-telling form depicts a return to a more innocent time, one where mythology and reality combine in fairy tales.

The piece opens with an invocation, a chorale-like ode to the landscape. The *Garuda* swoops in and forcefully claims his status, calling to his minions and commanding the forces of nature. At the end of the movement he performs *Silat*, a Malaysian form of stylized combat. He alights having been beguiled by a rainbow and sings a serenade to her. Night falls, and the Solo Cello evokes a soft veil surrounding the environment. The forest creatures come to a rest while mysterious sounds and voices emanate from different corners of the landscape. Gamelan textures lead the way into the morning, an aubade signifying a joyous new beginning. — *Su Lian Tan*

## **The Composer**

**Su Lian Tan** is a much sought after flutist and composer. Her music has been described as, “*the stunner of the evening*,” (Washington Post) and “*...refined, cultured compositions... Rewarding for everyone...A must- own for flutists and flute enthusiasts*” (Fanfare Magazine).

Making her first recordings at the age of 14, she has recently been featured in **Flute Talk** and **American Record Guide**. Tan has been commissioned by groups such as the Grammy-winning Takacs String Quartet, Da Capo Chamber Players, and the Vermont Symphony. Recordings of her music include a recent release, *Grand Theft and Other Felonies*, which features Carol Wincenc, with Tan as the flutist, performing *Autumn Lute Song*. Another recent release, *Music by Su Lian Tan*, also on the ARSIS label, contains *Jamaica's Songs*, written in collaboration with author Jamaica Kincaid. Her intermedia chamber opera *Lotus Lives* was performed to great acclaim in the last two seasons, as were premiers of *Revelations*, dedicated to cellist Sophie Shao, and *Ming*, composed for trumpeter Joe Burgstaller. New commissions include *Legends of Kintamani*, a concerto for cellist Darrett Adkins. A current recording project features the Jupiter String Quartet and Bruce Brubaker. Her music is published by ECS Publishing and Theodore Presser.

Also a dedicated teacher, Tan is Professor of Music at Middlebury College where she continues to be a mentor to talented young musicians. She has given seminars and master-classes at Oberlin College, Boston University, and the Yong Siew Toh Conservatory of Music in Singapore, to name a few. She has received numerous accolades and citations for teaching as well as for her music, including awards from ASCAP, The Academy of Arts and Letters of Quebec, and the Toulmin and Naumburg Foundations and was awarded several residencies from the Yaddo and MacDowell colonies. She holds degrees from the Trinity College, London (F.T.C.L.), Bennington College (B.A.), The Juilliard School (M.M.) and Princeton University (Ph. D.).

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# Legends of Kintamani

Concerto for Violoncello Solo and Orchestra or Piano

Su Lian Tan

Arranged by A. Douglas Biggs

## I. Prelude

$\text{♩} = 120$

Piano

*sfp*

*sfp*

*sfp*

*sfp*

*sfp*

*sfp*

Slower  $\text{♩} = 76$  *tempo rubato*

3

*mf*

3

*f*

(*f*)

*mp*

7

Violoncello

*cantabile*

*mf*

*cantabile*

*p*

*mf*

11

*mp espr.*

*p espr.*

15

*f espr.*

*mp*

18

*legato*

*mf*

*mp*

*f*

*dim.*

*p*

22

*cantabile*

*f*

*p*

27

*mp cantabile*

32

*poco rit.*

*mf*

*p*

*poco rit.*

*mf*

42  $\text{♩} = 92$

*mf*

*poco rall.*

*f*

*mp*

*poco rall.*

103

*ppp*

*Ped.*

## II. Garuda

$\text{♩} = 136$

*\*dampen strings, bow in circles*

*pppp*

$\text{♩} = 136$

*very lightly*

*pp*

*Ped. lightly*  
*una corda*

5

*cresc.*

7 *pizz., indistinct pitch\*\*\**

*f*

*rapidly, unmeasured, a blur of sound*

*mf*

*pp*

*tre corde*

*Red. lightly to blur and ring una corda*

10 *arco*

*p*

13 *ppp*

16 *dampen strings, bow in circles*

*ppp*

*f*

*pp* *mp*

*ppp*

*Red. lightly una corda*



Measures 19-21 of the musical score. Measure 19 features a bass line with a whole note and a piano accompaniment of eighth notes. Measures 20-21 continue the piano accompaniment with eighth notes and include a key signature change to D major in measure 21.

Measures 22-23 of the musical score. Measure 22 includes a bass line with a whole note and a piano accompaniment of eighth notes. Measure 23 features a bass line with a whole note and a piano accompaniment of eighth notes. Dynamics include *mf* and *f*. A watermark "Review is illegal only" is visible across the page.

Measures 24-25 of the musical score. Measure 24 includes a bass line with a whole note and a piano accompaniment of eighth notes. Measure 25 features a bass line with a whole note and a piano accompaniment of eighth notes. Dynamics include *p*, *cresc.*, and *f*. A watermark "Review is illegal only" is visible across the page.

Measures 26-27 of the musical score. Measure 26 includes a bass line with a whole note and a piano accompaniment of eighth notes. Measure 27 features a bass line with a whole note and a piano accompaniment of eighth notes. Dynamics include *mf* and *mp*. A watermark "Review is illegal only" is visible across the page.

28 II

pp

31 *at the tip*

tr

cresc.

mf

34

f

37 A *Meno mosso*

ff

ffp

mp

39

*mf* *ff*

*pp* *mp* *pp* *mp* *f pesante*

42

*ff* *mp*

45

*fp* *S.P.*

48

*S.P.* *S.P.* *S.P.*

## III. Song

$\text{♩} = 64$

*p* *mf* *3* *fp cresc.* *6* *6* *6* *LH*

*ad lib.* *S.P.*

*mf* *pp* *mp* *espr.* *cresc.* *5*

*mf* *5* *5* *5* *5* *f* *dim.* *mf* *3* *5* *5* *5*

**A** 9 *Adagio cantabile, tempo rubato*

*p* *fp*

**A** *Adagio cantabile, tempo rubato*

*p*

13 *espr.*  
*mf*

18 *fp* *f*

22 *non dim.*  
*mp*

25 *f* *non dim.*  
*mf* *f*

*S.P.*

The musical score consists of two systems of staves. The first system (measures 13-17) features a single melodic line in the upper staff and a piano accompaniment in the lower staff. The second system (measures 18-22) continues the melodic line and piano accompaniment. The third system (measures 23-25) introduces a new melodic line in the upper staff, which is a sixteenth-note scale, and a piano accompaniment in the lower staff. The score includes various musical notations such as slurs, accents, and fingerings. A large diagonal watermark 'Reviewing is illegal copy' is overlaid on the page.

28

**B**

*p*

*mf*

*mp*

32

*mp*

35

*fp*

37

*con sord., a piacere, espressivo*

Vlc. Solo

ppp mp

4

tr

portate (slide finger)

8

ord.

11

pp

14

mp

mp

5

18

*pp* 5 *niente pp* *mp*

21

*pp* *pp* *una corda*

24

*mp* 8

27

*pp espr.* *mf* *pp* *tre corde* *una corda*



30

(u. c.)

33

*ppp*

*pp*

36 **A**

**A**

*pp*

*mp*

*tre corde*

39

*p* — *poco*

The musical score consists of two systems of staves. The first system (measures 30-33) features a single melodic line in bass clef and a piano accompaniment in treble and bass clefs. The second system (measures 34-39) continues the melodic line and piano accompaniment. The score includes various musical notations such as slurs, trills, and dynamic markings. A large diagonal watermark 'Review is illegal' is overlaid on the page.

## V. Finale

$\text{♩} = 92$   
*pizz.*  $\text{4}_b$   
*p*

$\text{♩} = 92$   
*unaccented, detached (not excessively short)*  
*p*

6

11

*mf* *f* *mp*  
*mf* *mp*

16

$\text{4}_b$   $\text{4}_b$   $\text{4}_b$   $\text{4}_b$   $\text{4}_b$

21

4/4 4/2 4/2 4/2

25

4/4 4/2 4/2 4/2

S.P.  
(light pedal as necessary)

30

4/4 4/4 3/4 3/4

mf p arco p

S.P. S.P.

34

4/4 3/4 3/4 3/4

f mf

(S.P.) S.P.

38

(S.P.)

43

(mf) dim. p 8va

48 *Grazioso*

*Grazioso* 8va mp S.P.

52

8va mf dim. mp poco accel. loco poco accel. S.P.

*Poco più mosso**Poco più mosso*