

# Piece in E $\flat$ minor

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## **English:**

Composed by Joseph-Guy Ropartz, an important figure in French music at the turn of the 20th century, *Piece in E $\flat$  minor* reveals the depth of expression and the lyrical character that define his musical language. Influenced by the post-Franck tradition, Ropartz develops a rich harmonic palette and creates an atmosphere filled with poetry and gentle melancholy.

The work stands out through its broad, singing melodic line supported by subtle harmonies that maintain a constant expressive tension. Dynamic contrasts and flexible phrasing contribute to an introspective, almost meditative atmosphere, inviting the listener into a moment of calm and reflection.

In this arrangement, Jérôme Naulais highlights the nobility and refinement of the original score while preserving its expressive richness. This adaptation offers performers and audiences the opportunity to rediscover a sensitive and evocative page from Ropartz's repertoire.

## **Français:**

Composée par Joseph-Guy Ropartz, figure marquante de la musique française de la fin du XIX<sup>e</sup> et du début du XX<sup>e</sup> siècle, *Piece in E $\flat$  minor* révèle toute la profondeur expressive et le lyrisme caractéristique de son écriture. Héritier de la tradition post-franckiste, Ropartz y développe un langage harmonique riche et une atmosphère empreinte de poésie et de mélancolie.

L'œuvre se distingue par une ligne musicale ample et chantante, soutenue par des harmonies subtiles qui créent une tension expressive constante. Les contrastes dynamiques et la souplesse du phrasé participent à l'élaboration d'un climat introspectif, presque méditatif, qui invite l'auditeur à une écoute attentive et sensible.

Dans cet arrangement, Jérôme Naulais met en valeur la noblesse et la finesse de la partition originale, en conservant toute sa richesse expressive. Cette adaptation permet de redécouvrir une page méconnue mais profondément touchante du répertoire de Ropartz, où la simplicité apparente du discours musical révèle une grande intensité émotionnelle.

## **Deutsch:**

Die von Joseph-Guy Ropartz komponierte *Piece in E $\flat$  minor* zeigt eindrucksvoll die Ausdruckstiefe und den lyrischen Charakter seiner Musik. Als bedeutende Persönlichkeit der französischen Musik um die Wende zum 20. Jahrhundert entwickelt Ropartz – beeinflusst von der Nachfolge César Francks – eine reiche harmonische Sprache und eine Atmosphäre voller Poesie und feiner Melancholie.

Das Werk zeichnet sich durch eine weit gespannte, gesangliche Melodielinie aus, die von subtilen Harmonien getragen wird und eine stetige expressive Spannung erzeugt. Dynamische Kontraste und eine flexible Phrasierung tragen zu einer introspektiven, beinahe meditativen Stimmung bei, die den Zuhörer zu einer aufmerksamen und sensiblen Wahrnehmung einlädt. In diesem Arrangement hebt Jérôme Naulais die Noblesse und Feinheit der Originalpartitur hervor und bewahrt zugleich ihre ganze Ausdruckskraft. So ermöglicht diese Bearbeitung die Wiederentdeckung einer bewegenden und poetischen Seite des Schaffens von Ropartz.



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**B $\flat$  EUPHONIUM**

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Lento ( $\text{♩} = 56$ )

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8 *dolce cantabile*

12 *poco sf* 3

17 *p* 3 *mf*

22 *cresc.* *ff* 3 *p*

29 *p*

33 3 *f*

38 *p* *cresc.* 3 3

42 *f* 3 *f*

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Lento (♩ = 56)

B $\flat$  Euphonium

Piano



The musical score is divided into four systems, each with a B $\flat$  Euphonium staff and a Piano grand staff (treble and bass clefs).  
- **System 1 (Measures 1-6):** The Euphonium part is silent. The Piano part begins with a fortissimo (*ff*) dynamic, featuring a triplet of eighth notes in the right hand and a triplet of eighth notes in the left hand. The dynamic then changes to *meno f*.  
- **System 2 (Measures 7-12):** The Euphonium part begins with a melodic line marked *dolce cantabile*. The Piano part starts with a mezzo-forte (*mf*) dynamic, which then softens to piano (*p*).  
- **System 3 (Measures 13-18):** The Euphonium part continues with a melodic line, marked *poco sf* (poco sforzando), then *p*. The Piano part features a triplet of eighth notes in the right hand and a piano (*p*) dynamic.  
- **System 4 (Measures 19-20):** The Euphonium part has a melodic line marked *mf*, *cresc.* (crescendo), and *ff*. The Piano part has a mezzo-forte (*mf*) dynamic.

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*sf* *sf* *dim.* *p*

30

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*poco cresc.* *p*

35

35

*f* *p*

40

40

*cresc.* *mf* *cresc.* *ff*

44

44

*sf* *sf* *dim.* *p* *rall.*

49 Allegro (♩ = 132)

Musical score for measures 49-51. The system includes a treble clef staff and a grand staff (left and right bass clefs). The treble staff begins with a *mf* dynamic and a *cresc.* marking. It features a melodic line with a triplet of eighth notes in measure 50. The grand staff provides a rhythmic accompaniment with a *mf* dynamic. The right bass clef has a *cresc.* marking.

Musical score for measures 52-54. The system includes a treble clef staff and a grand staff. The treble staff has a *cresc.* marking and features a melodic line with triplets of eighth notes in measures 52 and 53. The grand staff has a *pù f* dynamic marking. The right bass clef has a *cresc.* marking.

Musical score for measures 55-58. The system includes a treble clef staff and a grand staff. The treble staff has a *ff* dynamic marking and a triplet of eighth notes in measure 55. The grand staff has a *ff* dynamic marking. The right bass clef has a triplet of eighth notes in measure 58.

Musical score for measures 59-63. The system includes a treble clef staff and a grand staff. The treble staff has a *mf* dynamic marking and a *cresc.* marking. It features a melodic line with a triplet of eighth notes in measure 60. The grand staff has a *mf* dynamic marking. The right bass clef has a *cresc.* marking.

Musical score for measures 64-67. The system includes a treble clef staff and a grand staff. The treble staff has a *mf* dynamic marking and a *cresc.* marking. It features a melodic line with a triplet of eighth notes in measure 64. The grand staff has a *mf* dynamic marking. The right bass clef has a *cresc.* marking.

68

*p*

*p*

71

*cresc.*

*ff*

*cresc.*

*ff*

74

78

*ff*

83

*poco rit.*

*a tempo*

*ff*

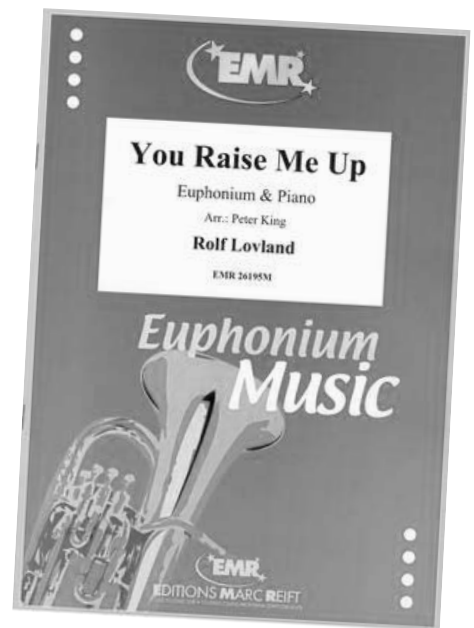
*p espressivo*

*sempre ff*

*meno f*

*ff*

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