

Flute

pour Paul Taffanel
Concertstück for Flute and Strings
(1893) TH 247
I - Largo - Cadenza

Edited and reconstructed by James Strauss

P. I. Tchaikowsky
1840-1893
Op. post.

Largo

A

B

C

mf

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II - Chanson sans paroles

D Andantino semplice

p

mf

p

cresc.

p

dim.

p a tempo



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III - Allegro Vivace

Allegro Vivace **I**

J

p

3 **3**

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Tchaikovsky and the Concertstück for flute and strings



On October 7th he told his friend and violoncellist Iulian Poplavsky, "I have the concert for Friday ready in my mind and it will be for the flute of Taffanel..." On October 28th he directed the premiere of the "Symphony Pathétique" without much success. Shortly after that, on November 6, 1893, Tchaikovsky died in mysterious circumstances. There are two versions of his death: death due to cholera. Whatever was the cause, a national day of mourning was decreed in Russia. More than 100,000 people accompanied the procession to his final resting place, the Alexander Nevsky Monastery.



In January 1998, Jean Pierre Rampal enthusiastically Tchaikovsky's concert for flute, saying that he had Furious at being prohibited access to the manus asserted: "It is absurd that [the concerto], world. It is ridiculous to hide such a disc that copies of the concerto were both in then I began my search, following Petersburg who had some 19th C unknown author with the t negotiation, I was only all manuscript contained 20 r beginning a "cadenz at sketches which . *Pastorale*, I becar third move"

many incomplete corrections. After returning to the manuscript, I found that "Concertstück" was an elaborated version of the original, with dates from 1864. At that time Tchaikovsky was in the process of re-assembling the manuscript with the flute's part. I found sheet music for the flute part, which belonged to Theodor Wateles, a flute player with the Cv



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