

Franz Liszts Piano Sonata Preview

This book examines Liszt's B minor Sonata - regarded as a pinnacle of Romantic piano music.

Lists top-recommended works by master composers from the past and present, providing a critical assessment of specific recordings and performances as identified by a team of leading music experts.

A detailed analysis of the musical styles and forms developed by Mozart, Haydn, and Beethoven

The noted American composer's best, most characteristic piano works, including all 4 sonatas and 4 suites—Woodland Sketches, Sea Pieces, Fireside Tales, and New England Idyls—reprinted from original editions.

Franz Liszt has become for music historians the archetypical genius--able to upstage such titans as Chopin and Thalberg on the piano, then moving with ease into composition and effortlessly traveling outside the boundaries of his age with wildly original music. Such a figure will always be difficult to evaluate and thus this comprehensive bibliography and guide will be all the more valuable for student and scholar.

Guide to the Pianist's Repertoire continues to be the go-to source for piano performers, teachers, and students. Newly updated and expanded with over 250 new composers, this incomparable resource expertly guides readers to solo piano literature. What did a given composer write? What interesting work have I never heard of? How difficult is it? What are its special musical features? How can I reach the publisher? It's all here. Featuring information for more than 2,000 composers, the fourth edition includes enhanced indexes. The new "Hinson" will be an indispensable guide for many years to come.

One of Liszt's most performed piano masterpieces, with the 6 Consolations, 10 Harmonies poetiques et religieuses, 2 Ballades, and 2 Legendes. Breitkopf and Hartel edition."

A discovery which opens a new chapter in the Liszt Sonata research.

Historically Informed Performance, or HIP, has become an influential and exciting development for scholars, musicians, and audiences alike. Yet it has not been unchallenged, with debate over the desirability of its central goals and the accuracy of its results. The author suggests ways out of this impasse in Romantic performance style. In this wide-ranging study, pianist and scholar Andrew John Snedden takes a step back, examining the strengths and limitations of HIP. He proposes that many problems are avoided when performance styles are understood as expressions of their cultural era rather than as simply composer intention, explaining not merely how we play, but why we play the way we do, and why the nineteenth century Romantics played very differently. Snedden examines the principal evidence we have for Romantic performance style, especially in translation of score indications and analysis of early recordings, finally focusing on the performance styles of Liszt and Chopin. He concludes with a call for the reanimation of culturally appropriate performance styles in Romantic repertoire. This study will be of great interest to scholars, performers, and students, to anyone wondering about how our performances reflect our culture, and about how the Romantics played their own culturally-embedded music.

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The third volume in Alan Walker's magisterial biography of Franz Liszt. "You can't help but keep turning the pages, wondering how it will all turn out: and Walker's accumulated readings of Liszt's music have to be taken seriously indeed."--D. Kern Holoman, New York Review of Books "A conscientious scholar passionate about his subject. Mr. Walker makes the man and his age come to life. These three volumes will be the definitive work to which all subsequent Liszt biographies will aspire."--Harold C. Schonberg, Wall Street Journal "What distinguishes Walker from Liszt's dozens of earlier biographers is that he is equally strong on the music and the life. A formidable musicologist with a lively polemical style, he discusses the composer's works with greater understanding and clarity than any previous biographer. And whereas many have recycled the same erroneous, often damaging information, Walker has relied on his own prodigious, globe-trotting research, a project spanning twenty-five years. The result is a textured portrait of Liszt and his times without rival."--Elliot Ravetz, Time "The prose is so lively that the reader is often swept along by the narrative.... This three-part work... is now the definitive work on Liszt in English and belongs in all music collections."--Library Journal

This edition is comprised of 86 different technical exercises composed by Liszt during 1868 to 1880. Liszt intended these highly challenging exercises to build greater performance skills in virtuoso pianists. The complete series consists of twelve volumes, each one dealing with a different pianistic problem. This edition has been compiled from the original set to present the exercises in a reasonable length without harming the essence and effectiveness of the original work.

Franz Liszt--child prodigy, virtuoso pianist, co-founder with Chopin and Schumann of the Romantic movement in music--has been the subject of literally hundreds of biographies, but it is only in the last few decades that the importance of Liszt the composer, as opposed to Liszt the Romantic hero, has been recognized. This new perspective has created the need for a fresh, full-scale approach, biographical and critical, to the evaluation of the man and his music. For more than ten years Alan Walker, a leading authority on nineteenth-century music and the author of important studies of Chopin and Schumann, has traveled throughout Europe discovering unpublished material in museums and private collections, in the parish registries of tiny villages in Austria and Hungary, and in major archives in Weimar and Budapest, seeking out new information and corroborating or correcting the old. He has left virtually no source unexamined--from the hundreds of contemporary biographies (many of them more fiction than fact) to the scores of memoirs, reminiscences, and diaries of his pupils and disciples (the list of his students from his Weimar masterclasses reads like a Burke's Peerage of pianists). Dr. Walker's efforts have culminated in a study that will stand as definitive for years to come. A feat of impeccable scholarship, it also displays a strong and compelling narrative impulse and a profound understanding of the complicated man Liszt was. In this, the first of three volumes, Dr. Walker examines in greater detail than has ever before been amassed Liszt's family background and his early years. We see "Franzi," a deeply religious and mystical child, whose extraordinary musical gifts lead to studies with the great Carl Czerny in Vienna and propel him into overnight fame in Paris--his youthful opera, *Don Sanche*, performed when he is fourteen--and in a disorderly and impulsive way of life by the time he is sixteen. . . We see Liszt drifting into obscurity after a nervous breakdown at the age of seventeen, then hearing Paganini for the first time and being so fired by the violinist's amazing technique that he sets for himself a titanic program of work, his aim no less than to

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create an entirely new repertoire for the piano....We see him, after years of successful touring, returning triumphantly to Hungary, his homeland, and publishing in the same year his "Transcendental" and "Paganini" studies, the signposts of his astonishing technical breakthrough....Finally, we see Liszt at the height of his artistic powers, giving well over a thousand concerts across Europe and Russia during the years 1839-47: "inventing" the modern piano recital, playing entire programs from memory, performing the complete contemporary piano repertoire, breaking down the barriers that had traditionally separated performing artists from their "social superiors," fostering the Romantic view of the artist as superior being, because divinely gifted . . . until--his colossal career virtually impossible to sustain--he gives his last paid performance at the age of thirty-five . . . Unparalleled in its completeness, its soundness of documentation, and in the quality of its writing, *The Virtuoso Years* is the first volume of what will unquestionably be the most important biography of Franz Liszt in English or any other language.

Lina Schmalhausen, his student, caregiver, and close companion, recorded in her diary a graphic description of her teacher's illness and death. Alan Walker here presents this never-before-published account of Liszt's demise in the summer of 1886."

Two-Dimensional Sonata Form is the first book dedicated to the combination of the movements of a multimovement sonata cycle with an overarching single-movement form that is itself organized as a sonata form. Drawing on a variety of historical and recent approaches to musical form (e.g., Marxian and Schoenbergian *Formenlehre*, Caplin's theory of formal functions, and Hepokoski and Darcy's *Sonata Theory*), it begins by developing an original theoretical framework for the analysis of this type of form that is so characteristic of the later nineteenth and early twentieth century. It then offers an in-depth examination of nine exemplary works by four Central European composers: the Piano Sonata in B minor and the symphonic poems *Tasso* and *Die Ideale* by Franz Liszt; Richard Strauss's tone poems *Don Juan* and *Ein Heldenleben*; the symphonic poem *Pelleas und Melisande*, the *First String Quartet* and the *First Chamber Symphony* by Arnold Schoenberg, and Alexander Zemlinsky's *Second String Quartet*.

What is a sonata? Literally translated, it simply means 'instrumental piece'. It is the epitome of instrumental music, and is certainly the oldest and most enduring form of 'pure' and independent instrumental composition, beginning around 1600 and lasting to the present day. Schmidt-Beste analyses key aspects of the genre including form, scoring and its social context - who composed, played and listened to sonatas? In giving a comprehensive overview of all forms of music which were called 'sonatas' at some point in musical history, this book is more about change than about consistency - an ensemble sonata by Gabrieli appears to share little with a Beethoven sonata, or a trio sonata by Corelli with one of Boulez's piano sonatas, apart from the generic designation. However, common features do emerge, and the look across the centuries - never before addressed in a single-volume survey - opens up new and significant perspectives.

This new volume incorporates all entries from the previous editions by Arthur Wenk, expanding to cover writings drawn from periodicals, theses, dissertations, books, and *Festschriften* from 1940 to 2000. Over 9,000 references to analyses of works by over 1,000 composers of the nineteenth and twentieth centuries are included.

Hungarian composer Franz Liszt (1811–1886) was an anomaly. A virtuoso pianist and electrifying showman, he toured extensively throughout the European continent, bringing sold-out audiences to states of ecstasy while courting scandal with his frequent womanizing. Drawing on new, highly revealing documentary sources, including a veritable treasure trove of previously unexamined material on Liszt's Weimar years, best-selling author Oliver Hilmes shines a spotlight on the extraordinary life and career of this singularly dazzling musical

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phenomenon. Whereas previous biographies have focused primarily on the composer's musical contributions, Hilmes showcases Liszt the man in all his many shades and personal reinventions: child prodigy, Romantic eccentric, fervent Catholic, actor, lothario, celebrity, businessman, genius, and extravagant show-off. The author immerses the reader in the intrigues of the nineteenth-century European glitterati (including Liszt's powerful patrons, the monstrous Wagner clan) while exploring the true, complex face of the artist and the soul of his music. No other Liszt biography in English is as colorful, witty, and compulsively readable, or reveals as much about the true nature of this extraordinary, outrageous talent.

Provides a highly readable examination of the music of Franz Liszt, along with discussions of his life, letters, and writings.

All sonatas, 5 variations on themes from Schumann, Paganini, Handel, etc. Vienna Gesellschaft der Musikfreunde edition.

During his early years, Franz Liszt worked as a traveling piano virtuoso, his adventures highlighted by his entrée into the literary world as a correspondent for the most popular French journals of his time. In this second volume of Janita Hall-Swadley's *The Collected Writings of Franz Liszt*, Liszt's work as a music essayist and journalist is on full display. In his essays, readers will see the influence of the revolutionary theories of Hugues-Félicité Robert de Lamennais, Victor Hugo, and François-René de Chateaubriand as Liszt boldly calls for social reforms on behalf of musicians and musical institutions, from demands for a repertoire of church music of divine praise to the timely publication of inexpensive music editions.

A great musical tradition flourished in the late 19th- and early-20th-century Russia, nurturing such renowned composers as Mussorgsky, Tchaikovsky, Rachmaninov, and Prokofiev. Unfortunately, many superb compositions by lesser Russian composers have been eclipsed by the works of these giants. In this volume, University of Kentucky musicologist Dmitry Feofanov presents eleven overlooked masterpieces — important Russian piano works of the late 18th to 20th centuries virtually unobtainable elsewhere. Here is Mikhail Glinka's *Prayer*, a rare program piece by the founder of Russian opera, the first composer whose music was performed in the West; German-born Johann Hässler's *Sonata-Fantasie*, Op. 4, which anticipates Beethoven in structure; and Sergey Liapunov's *Transcendental Etude*, Op. 11, No. 10, a stunning tour de force of piano technique. Also included in this impressive collection: Balakirev: *Rêverie* Glazunov: *Prelude and Fugue in D Minor*, Op. 62 Griboyedov: *Two Waltzes* Kalinnikov: *Nocturne in F-Sharp Minor* Liadov: *Prelude*, Op. 11, No.1 Medtner: *Sonata in G Minor*, Op. 22 Schlözer: *Etude in A-flat*, Op. 1, No. 2 Taneyev: *Prelude and Fugue*, Op. 29 All scores are authoritative, reprinted from rare Russian texts, many of which are now out of print — with new translations of performance instructions. Short biographies of each composer and background information on each piece round out this fine, modestly priced performance and study edition — sure to appeal to pianists, students, music historians, and music lovers everywhere.

This is the third in a set of three books following the life and achievements of Franz Liszt. This volume focuses on his final years, from 1861-1886.

Virtually all of the composer's works for piano solo: 4 piano sonatas, "Invitation to the Dance," 8 sets of variations, "Grande Polonaise," others. Authoritative C. F. Peters edition.

Much of Franz Liszt's musical legacy has often been dismissed as 'trivial' or 'merely showy,' more or less peripheral contributions to nineteenth-century European culture. But Liszt was a mainstream composer in ways most of his critics have failed to acknowledge; he was also an incessant and often extremely successful innovator. Liszt's mastery of fantasy and sonata traditions, his painstaking settings of texts ranging from erotic verse to portions of the Catholic liturgy, and the remarkable self-awareness he demonstrated even in many of his most

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'entertaining' pieces: all these things stamp him not only as a master of Romanticism and an early Impressionist, but as a precursor of Postmodern 'pop.' Liszt's Music places Liszt in historical and cultural focus. At the same time, it examines his principal contributions to musical literature -- from his earliest operatic paraphrases to his final explorations of harmonic and formal possibilities. Liszt's compositional methods, including his penchant for revision, problems associated with early editions of some of his works, and certain aspects of class and gender issues are also discussed. The first book-length assessment of Liszt as composer since Humphrey Searle's 1956 volume, Liszt's Music is illustrated with well over 100 musical examples.

Reproduction of the original: Franz Liszt by James Huneker

Features 64 works from the golden age of rag, most long unavailable, including rare works by James Scott, Cy Seymour, E.J. Stark, Bob Hoffman, Harry L. Cook, Max Hoffmann, and 51 other composers, among them several women. Original cover, too. Gerard Carter is organist at the Church of the Good Shepherd, Ashfield, Sydney.

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(Schirmer Performance Editions). Liszt made significant contributions to piano literature. Consolations and Liebestraume were first published in 1850 and have become Liszt's most approachable and recognizable pieces. With historical and performance notes and audio recordings. Late Intermediate Level.

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