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Fledermaus Fantasy

Violin, Viola, Cello, Contrabass, Piano



Program Note

Fledermaus Fantasy, scored for violin and piano, was inspired by the sparkling tunes of Johann Strauss's operetta, *Die Fledermaus (The Bat)*, by the delightful tradition of such pieces as Sarasate's *Carmen Fantasy* and by the enthusiasm of violinist Karen Murray, who commissioned it. The story of *Die Fledermaus* is one of human foibles, with masquerades and mistaken identities.

To make a long story short, the central couple, Gabriel and Rosalinde von Eisenstein, betray each other, in a kind of mirror of the earlier nasty behavior of Gabriel towards his friend Dr. Falke. Gabriel, who is supposed to be enroute to prison, attends a masked ball instead and attempts to seduce a delightful woman, who turns out to be his wife! Meanwhile, Gabriel recognizes their chambermaid, Adele, at the ball, but she sings an aria telling him he is ridiculous for thinking such a thing!

The operetta plays with the themes of masking/unmasking, of social class, and of the fine line between delight and despair. The music is edged with darkness, despite the surface froth. A series of misadventures leads to the unmasking of the central couple and to a reconciliation between them.

Fledermaus Fantasy builds on four numbers from the operetta; the Introduction, Adele's aria, the *Czárdás* that Rosalinde sings in her disguise as an exotic Hungarian and the tick-tock tune that accompanies Gabriel's attempt to seduce his own wife. *Fledermaus Fantasy* layers virtuosic extensions and inventions on the original melodies and also offers some ironic commentary.

Following the premiere, Karen Murray and the Wiener Soloisten Ensemble toured an expanded chamber version (solo violin, and viola, cello, contrabass and piano) throughout Japan. For more information, visit www.judithshatin.com. –JS

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Duration: 18:00

Fledermaus Fantasy
I. Waltzing on the Edge

Judith Shatin

Exuberant $\text{♩} = 92$

Violin

Viola

Cello

Contrabass

Piano

Vln.

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

Pno.

12

A

Laughing

12

A

Laughing

18 20

Vln. *mp* *mf* *mf* *f* *mf*

Vla. *mf* *f*

Vc. *mp* *mf* *f*

Cb. *mf* *f*

Pno. *mp* *f* *mf*

23

Vln. *f* *mf* **Brilliant** *f* *mf* *mp*

Vla. *mf*

Vc. *mf*

Cb. *f*

Pno. *f* *mf* **Brilliant** *f* *mf*

28 30

Vln. *mp* *f* *mf*

Vla. *mp* *f* *mf*

Vc. *mp* *f* *mf*

Cb. *f* *mf*

Pno. *mf* *mp* *f* *mf*

28 30

Vln. *mf* *f* *mf*

Vla. *f* *mf*

Vc. *f* *mf*

Cb. *f* *mf*

Pno. *mf* *mp* *f* *mf*

33 *cresc.* *poco rit.* **Ironically**

Vln. *cresc.* *sfz* *mp*

Vla. *cresc.* *sfz* *p*

Vc. *cresc.* *sfz* *p*

Cb. *cresc.* *sfz* *p*

Pno. *cresc.* *sfz* *p*

38 *mf* *f* *mf* *rit.* **B** *A tempo* *Lilting*

Vln. *mp* *mf* *mp* *pizz.* *mp*

Vla. *mp* *mf* *mp* *pizz.* *mp*

Vc. *mp* *mf* *mp* *pizz.* *mp*

Cb. *mp* *mf* *mp* *pizz.* *mp*

Pno. *mp* *mf* *p*

44 *mf* *mp* *mf* *mp* *mf* *mp* *Playful* *mf* *mp* *mf* *mp*

Vln. *mf* *mp* *mf* *mp* *mf* *mp* *Playful* *mf* *mp* *mf* *mp*

Vla. *mf* *mp* *mf* *mp* *mf* *mp* *Playful* *mf* *mp* *mf* *mp*

Vc. *mf* *mp* *mf* *mp* *mf* *mp* *Playful* *mf* *mp* *mf* *mp*

Cb. *mf* *mp* *mf* *mp* *mf* *mp* *Playful* *mf* *mp* *mf* *mp*

Pno. *mf* *mp* *mf* *mp* *mf* *mp* *Playful* *mf* *mp* *mf* *mp*

53 60

Vln. *mf* *mp* *mf* *f* *mf*

Vla. *mf* *f* *arco* *mf*

Vc. *mf* *f* *arco* *mf*

Cb. *mf* *f*

Pno. *mf*

61

Vln. *f* *mf*

Vla. *f*

Vc. *f*

Cb. *arco* *mf* *f*

Pno. *crese.* *f*

69 70

Vln. *f*

Vla. *f*

Vc. *f*

Cb. *f*

Pno. *f*

76 80

Vln.

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

mf

76 80

Pno.

mf

83

Vln.

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

mf

pizz. *arco* *mp* *ff* *mp* *p* *cresc.*

mp *pizz.* *pizz.* *pizz.* *p*

Accel into Waltz Time
Start slow, gradual accel.

83

Pno.

mp *p* *cresc.*

Accel into Waltz Time
Start slow, gradual accel.

90

Vln.

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

f *arco* *f* *mf* *f*

arco *f* *mf*

Ricochet

90

Pno.

f *mf*

96 100

Vln. *mf* *f* *ff* *f*

Vla. *mf* *p* *f*

Vc. *mf* *p* *f*

Cb. *mp* *mf* *f* *f*

Pno. *mp* *mf* *mp* *p* *f* *f*

102

Vln. *f* *f* *mp*

Vla. *mp* *p*

Vc. *mp* *mp*

Cb. *mp*

Pno. *mp* *p*

108 110

Vln. *mf* *f* *mp* *sfz* *pizz.*

Vla. *p* *pizz.*

Vc. *mp* *pizz.*

Cb. *mf*

Pno. *mf* *p* *f* *p* *f*

rit. *A tempo*

114 *arco*
ff
f
pizz.
f

Vln.
Vla.
Vc.
Cb.
Pno.

120 *Yearning*
mf
mf
mf

Vln.
Vla.
Vc.
Cb.

120 *Yearning*
mf
sim.

Pno.

126 130
mf
mp
mp
mp
arco
mp

Vln.
Vla.
Vc.
Cb.

126 130
mp

Pno.

133

Vln.

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

Pno.

D Frenzi

ff

D Frenzi

ff

134

135

136

140

Violin (Vln.) part: Measures 140-147. The part begins with a treble clef and a key signature of two sharps (F# and C#). It features a series of eighth and sixteenth notes, often beamed together, with accents (v) above many notes. In measure 146, the dynamics change to *mf*. In measure 147, the dynamics change to *mp* and the key signature changes to one sharp (F#).

Viola (Vla.) part: Measures 140-147. The part begins with a bass clef and a key signature of two sharps. It features a series of eighth and sixteenth notes, often beamed together, with accents (v) above many notes. In measure 146, the dynamics change to *mf*. In measure 147, the part is silent.

Violoncello (Vc.) part: Measures 140-147. The part begins with a bass clef and a key signature of two sharps. It features a series of eighth and sixteenth notes, often beamed together, with accents (v) above many notes. In measure 146, the dynamics change to *mf*. In measure 147, the dynamics change to *mp* and the key signature changes to one sharp.

Contrabasso (Cb.) part: Measures 140-147. The part begins with a bass clef and a key signature of two sharps. It features a series of eighth and sixteenth notes, often beamed together, with accents (v) above many notes. In measure 146, the dynamics change to *mf*. In measure 147, the part is silent.

140

Pno.

dim.

mp

[illegible]

148

150

E

Pno.

pp

p

155

Vln. *mf* *mp* *p* *pp* *mf*

Vla. *mp* *p* *pp*

Vc. *mp* *p* *pp*

Cb. *mp* *p* *pp*

Pno. *mf* *mp* *p*

160

161

Vln. *mp* *rit.*

Vla. *mp*

Vc. *mp*

Cb. *mp*

Pno. *mf* *rit.*

168

Vln. *p* *mf* *A tempo* *tr* *mf*

Vla. *pizz.*

Vc. *mf*

Cb. *mf*

Pno. *p* *mf* *A tempo*

170

On Tiptoe

Start slow, gradual accel.

A tempo
Stealthily

189 190

Vln. *mf*

Vla. *mp*

Vc. *mp*

Cb. *mp*

Pno. *mp*

f

f

200

200

210

210

G

G

Vln.
Vla.
Vc.
Cb.

Pno.

Vln.
Vla.
Vc.
Cb.

Pno.

Vln.
Vla.
Vc.
Cb.

Pno.

II. I'm No Maid!

Lightly sardonic ♩ = ca. 52

A Charming

Vln. *mp* *pizz.* *mf*

Vla. *mp* *mf*

Vc. *mp* *mf*

Cb. *mp* *mf*

Pno *mp* *mf*

10

Pedal lightly

Vln. *f* *mf*

Vla. *mp* *mp*

Vc. *mp* *mp*

Cb. *mp* *mf*

Pno *mp* *mf* *mp* *mf*

20

Suggestive *Provocative* *Freely*

Vln. *mf* *mp* *mf* *f* *ff*

Vla. *mp* *mf* *arco* *f* *ff*

Vc. *mp* *mf* *arco* *f* *ff*

Cb. *mp* *mf* *arco* *f* *ff*

Pno *mf* *mp* *mf* *f* *ff*

B Freely

29

Vln. *mf* *f* *mf* *f* *rit.---*

Vla. *mf* *mf* *f*

Vc. *mf* *mf* *f*

Cb. *mf* *mf* *f*

Pno. *mf* *mf* *f* *rit.---*

Dolce

7

3

37

Vln. *p* *mp* *mf*

Vla. *mp*

Vc. *mp*

Cb. *mp*

Pno. *mp* *mf*

Grazioso
A tempo

8va

45

Vln. *mp* *f* *mf* *mf*

Vla. *p* *f* *mf* *mp*

Vc. *p* *mf*

Cb. *p* *mf* *mf*

Pno. *p* *mf* *mp*

C

C

mf

53 *Freely* *Chromatic Smear* *f* *ff* *Flying Spiccato* *tr* *Spritely* *A tempo* *mp*

Vln. Vla. Vc. Cb. Pno.

58 *pizz.* *sfz* *p* *D* *arco* *mf* *mp* *pizz.*

Vln. Vla. Vc. Cb. Pno.

66 *arco* *mf* *f* *pizz.* *arco* *pitiful little me!* *rit.* *A tempo* *pizz.* *f* *arco* *mf* *arco* *pizz.* *f* *arco* *f* *sfz*

Vln. Vla. Vc. Cb. Pno.

76

Vln. *arco* *Flying Staccato* *mp* *Ricochet* *mf* *pizz.* *arco* *Sul D* *mf* *f* *mp*

Vla. *p* *mf* *p*

Vc. *f* *mf* *f* *p*

Cb. *arco* *f* *p*

Pno. *mp* *mf* *p* *p* *mp* *f* *mp* *p* *mf* *f* *p* *mf* *p*

86

Vln. *mf* *6* *pizz.* *mp* *mp* *arco* *mf* *pizz.* *f*

Vla. *p*

Vc. *mp*

Cb. *mf* *p*

Pno. *mf* *mf* *p* *mp* *mp* *mf* *p*

95

Vln. *arco* *f* *III Spiccato* *mp* *E Sassy* *mf* *mp* *mf* *mp* *mf* *3* *3* *3* *3* *3*

Vla. *mp* *mp* *mp* *mp* *mp* *mp* *mp* *mp*

Vc. *mp* *mp* *mp* *mp* *mp* *mp* *mp* *mp*

Cb. *mp* *mp* *mp* *mp* *mp* *mp* *mp* *mp*

Pno. *mp* *f* *mp* *E Sassy* *mp* *mp* *mp* *mp*

104

Vln. *mf* *f* *p* *mp* *mf* *mp* *mf* *f*

Vla. *mf* *mp* *mf*

Vc. *mf* *mp* *mf*

Cb. *mf* *mp* *f*

Pno. *mf* *f* *mf*

111

Vln. *f* *mp* *f* *mp* *p*

Vla. *f* *mp* *f*

Vc. *f* *mp* *f*

Cb. *f* *mp* *f*

Pno. *f* *mp* *cresc.* *f*

118

Vln. *mp* *f* *mf* *mp* *f*

Vla. *mp* *f* *f*

Vc. *mp* *f* *f*

Cb. *mp* *f* *f*

Pno. *mp* *cresc.* *f* *f*

Sneering

Coquettish!

[illegible]

131

Vln. *cresc.* *arco* *f* *ff* *mp* *pizz.* *p*

Vla. *f* *ff* *mp* *pizz.* *p*

Vc. *f* *ff* *mp* *pizz.* *p*

Cb. *f* *ff* *mp* *pizz.* *p*

Pno. *cresc.* *ff* *mp* *p*

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III. Csardas

Freely ♩. = 60

Pno.

f

3

6

6

Pno.

4

3

mp

A

Passionately
In Tempo ♩. = 60

Vln.

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

f

f

f

f

Passionately
In Tempo ♩. = 60

Pno.

cresc.

6

6

rit.

f

Vln.

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

mf

mf

mf

mf

f

f

f

f

Pno.

mf

f

mf

6

6

p

14

Vln. *f* *mf* *mp*

Vla. *f* *mf*

Vc. *f* *mf*

Cb. *f* *mf*

Pno. *f* *mf*

19 **B**

Vln. *mf* *mp* *f*

Vla. *p* *mp*

Vc. *p* *mp*

Cb.

Pno. *mp*

Moving

23

Vln. *f* *mf* *mp*

Vla. *f* *mf* *mp*

Vc. *f* *mf* *mp*

Cb. *f* *mf* *mp*

Pno. *f* *mp*

Relaxing

27 *A Tempo*

Vln. *f* *mf* *f* *mf* *f* *mf* 14

Vla. *f*

Vc. *f* *mf* *f*

Cb. *f* *mf* *f*

A Tempo

Pno. *f* *mf*

30

Vln. *sub. p* *pp*

Vla. *p*

Vc. *sub. p*

Cb. *p*

Pno. *p* *p*

32

Vln. *p* *f* *mp*

Vla. *f* *mp*

Vc. *f* *mp*

Cb. *f* *mp*

Pno. *f*

35

Vln. *mf* *f* *p* *mf* *mf* *p*

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

Pno. *p* *mf*

Vln. *mf* *mf* *f* *mp* *cresc.*

Vln. *f* *pp* *p*

Vln. *mp* *cresc.* *rit.* *f* *p*

Vln. *Cantabile* *mp* *mf*

Vln. *p* *pp* *mf* *sul pont*

38

Vln. *ord.* *p* *f* *mf* *tr*

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

Pno. *staccato* *mf*

C Cadenza, Freely

D A Tempo Urgently $\text{♩} = 60$

41

Vln. *cresc.* *f* *mf* *f*

Vla. *cresc.* *f* *mf*

Vc. *f* *mf*

Cb. *f* *mf*

Pno.

45

Vln. *ff*

Vla. *ff*

Vc. *ff*

Cb. *ff*

Pno. *ff*

49

Vln.

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

Pno.

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IV. Tick-Tock Around the Clock

Hypnotic $\text{♩} = 76$

Vln.

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

pizz.
p

Hypnotic $\text{♩} = 76$

Pno.

p

7

Vln.

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

arco
mp

arco
mp

8va

Pno.

mp

14

Vln.

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

arco
mp

mf

mf

Pno.

mf

21

Vln.

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

Pno.

pizz.

mp

pizz.

sfz

mf

mp

pizz.

mp

pizz.

mp

28

Vln.

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

Pno.

mf

f

p

mf

f

p

mf

f

p

35

Vln.

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

Pno.

mp

arco

mf

arco

mf

arco

mf

arco

mf

Accl. poco a poco

cresc.

Accl. poco a poco

cresc.

mf

41

Vln. *sf* *mf* *cresc.*

Vla. *mp* *cresc.*

Vc. *mp*

Cb. *sf* *mp* *mp*

Pno. *sf* *mp* *mf* *cresc.*

46

Vln. *f* *f*

Vla. *f* *mf*

Vc. *mf* *f* *p* *f* *f*

Cb. *mf* *p*

Pno. *f* *p* *f*

52

A Sparkling $\text{♩} = 84$ *Sim.*

Vln. *mf*

Vla. *mf*

Vc. *mf* *mf*

Cb. *f* *mf*

Pno. *mf* *sempre staccato*

57

Vln.

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

Pno.

pp

cresc.

f

mp

mp

mp

mp

62

Vln.

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

Pno.

mf

mf

mf

mf

mf

67

Vln.

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

Pno.

cresc.

f

f

f

f

cresc.

f

mp

mp

72 B

Vln. *f*

Vla. *f*

Vc. *f*

Cb.

Pno. *f*

77

Vln. *mf* *cresc.* *f*

Vla. *mp* *cresc.* *f*

Vc.

Cb.

Pno. *p* *cresc.* *f*

82 *rit. poco* C $\text{♩} = 64$

Vln. *f* *f* *p*

Vla. *f* *mf* *f* *p*

Vc. *f* *mf* *f* *p*

Cb. *f* *mf* *f* *p*

Pno. *f* *f* *p*

86

Vln. *mf* *p* *f*

Vla. *mf* *p* *f*

Vc. *mf* *p* *f*

Cb. *mf* *p* *f*

Pno. *mf* *p* *f*

89

Vln. *pp* *cresc.* *sim.*

Vla. *pp* *cresc.*

Vc. *pp* *cresc.*

Cb. *pp* *cresc.*

Pno. *pp* *cresc.*

91

Vln. *ff*

Vla. *ff*

Vc. *ff*

Cb. *ff*

Pno. *ff*

93

Vln. *f*

Vla. *mf* *f*

Vc. *mf* *f*

Cb. *mf* *f*

Pno. *mf* *f*

96

Vln. *mf* *f* *mf*

Vla. *mf* *f* *mf*

Vc. *mf* *f* *mf*

Cb. *mf* *f* *mf*

Pno. *mf* *f* *mf*

100

Vln. *ff* *mf* *f*

Vla. *ff* *mf* *f*

Vc. *ff* *mf* *f*

Cb. *ff* *mf* *f*

Pno. *ff* *mf* *f*

104

Vln. *p* *cresc.* *f* *cresc.*

Vla. *p* *cresc.* *f* *cresc.*

Vc. *p* *cresc.* *f* *cresc.*

Cb. *p* *cresc.* *f* *cresc.*

Pno. *p* *cresc.* *f* *cresc.*

108

Vln. *ff* *Pizz.* *mf* *arco* *ff*

Vla. *ff* *ff* *sub. p*

Vc. *ff* *ff* *sub. p*

Cb. *ff* *ff* *sub. p*

Pno. *ff* *mp* *ff* *sub. p*