# [Christian?] Ræhs

## Concerto â 6

Violino Concertino Violino Primo Violino Secundo Viola Violoncello & Basso Continuo

(ca. 1755–1765)

NTNU Library, Norway, ms. Gunnerus XM 55

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### Preface

This score is part of the first modern edition of three concertos for solo violin and strings based on manuscripts kept at the NTNU Library, Trondheim, Norway. The manuscript of this concerto is catalogued as "Gunnerus XM 55". Only separate parts have been preserved, no scores. Hence the orchestral scores of our modern edition are reconstructions based on the separate parts.

The name of the composer is given as surname only, Sigr. Rachs (ms. XM 55 and XM 57) / Sing.e Reihs (ms. XM 56). The estimated dating of the manuscripts, ca. 1755–1765, taken into account two names come into consideration, the brothers Morten Rachs (1702–1766) and Christian Rachs (1710–1786). Morten Rachs, town musician in Aarhus, Denmark is known as the composer of several sonatas for flauto traverso and basso continuo (see http://www.kb.dk/elib/noder/rachs/index-en.htm) and was estimated as a highly skilled flute player. His brother, Christian was educated as violin player (he mentioned G. Tartini among his teachers) and was employed as violinist at the Danish court and as organ player at the Church of Our Saviour, Copenhagen. The only else known compositions by him are a few dances. Since the three violin concertos are obviously written by a composer with deep knowledge of the solo instrument the editors believe that they are written by Christian Rachs, see H. Koudal, For borgere og Bønder (For Townsman and Peasant), Copenhagen 2000, p. 498 note 38 and p. 511.

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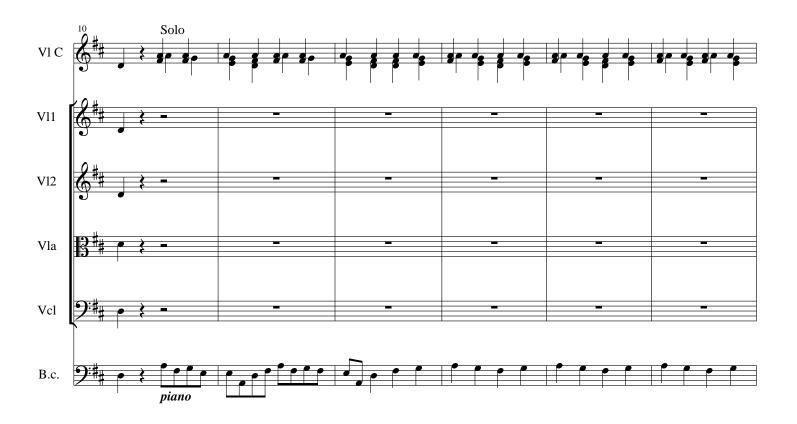


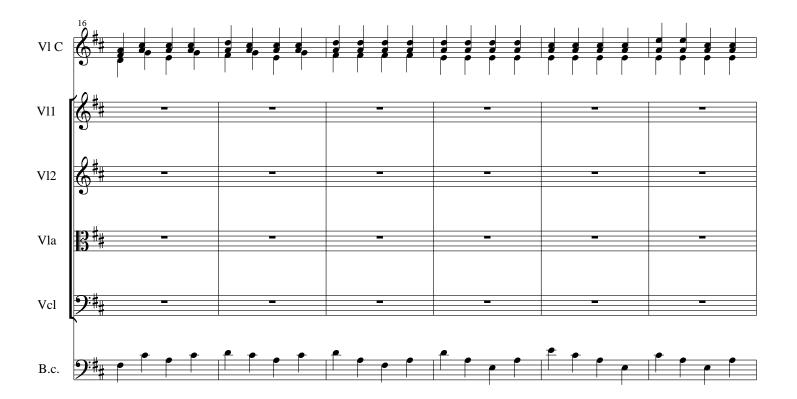
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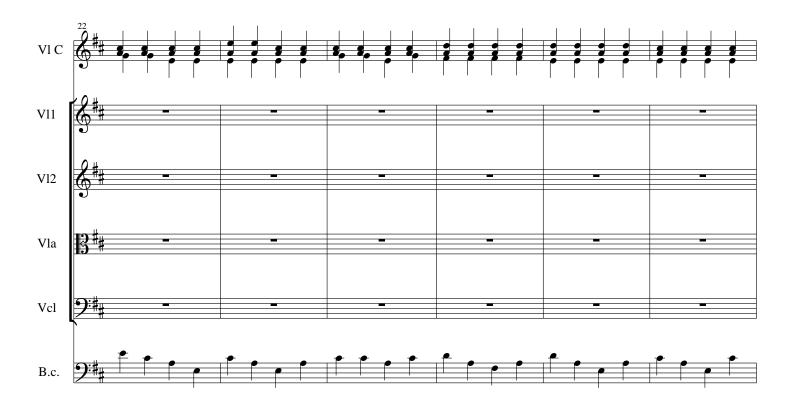
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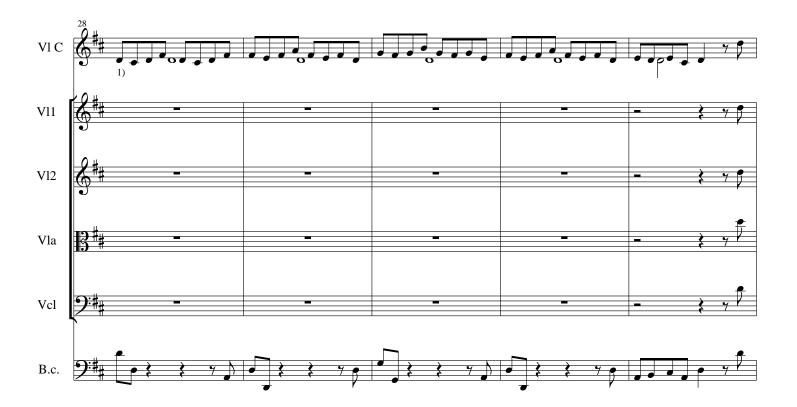




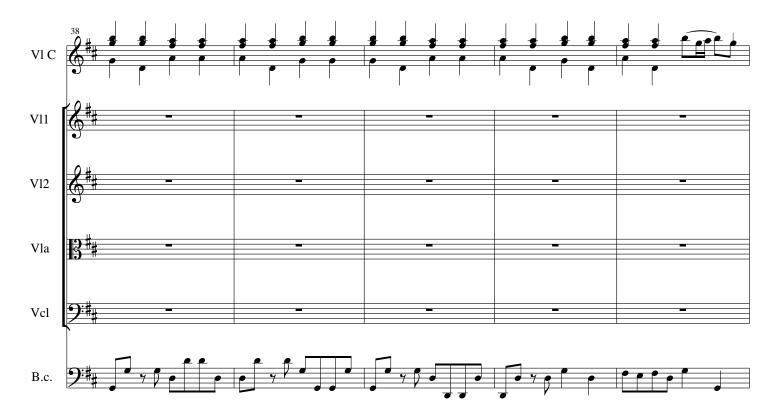




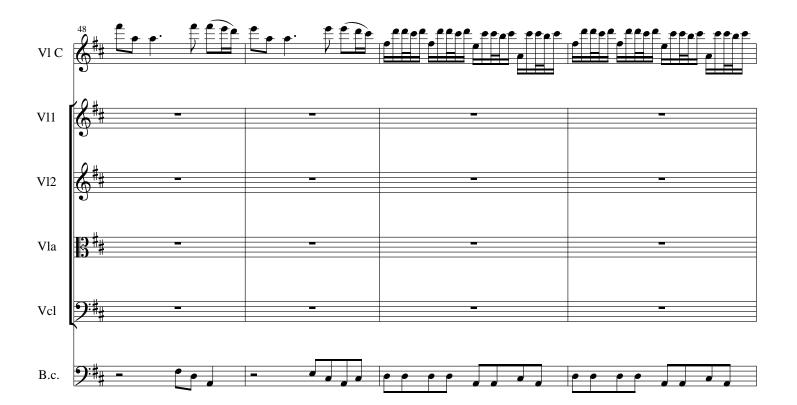


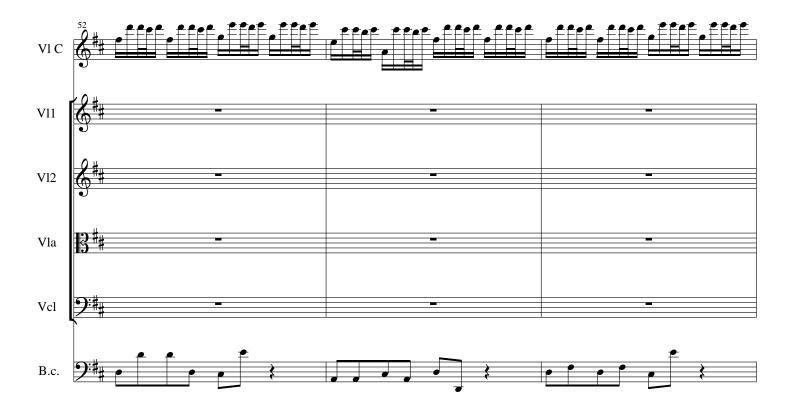






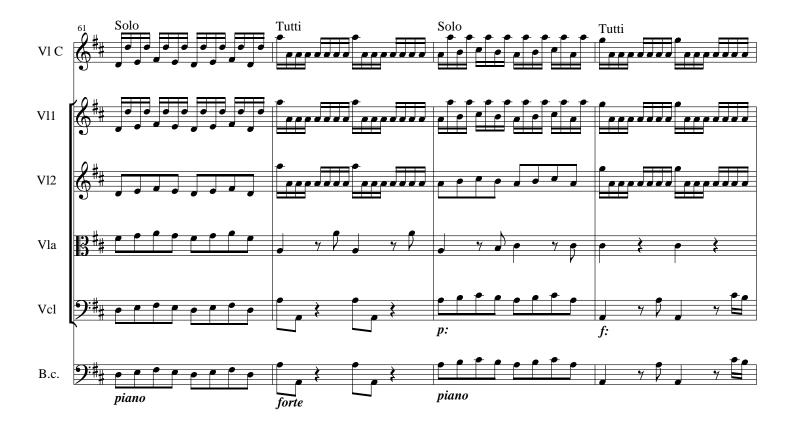




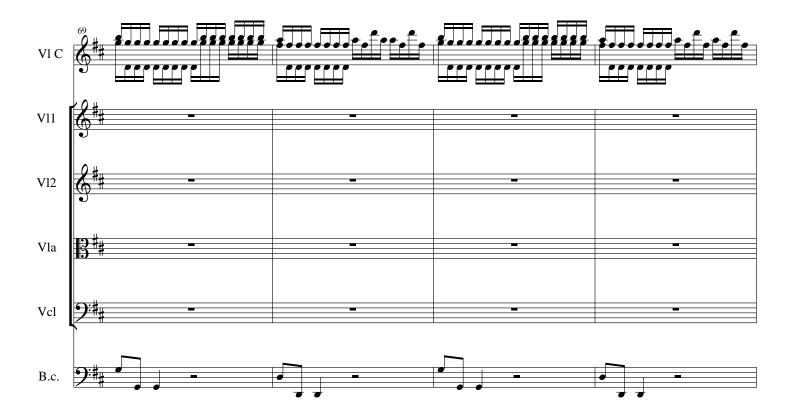






















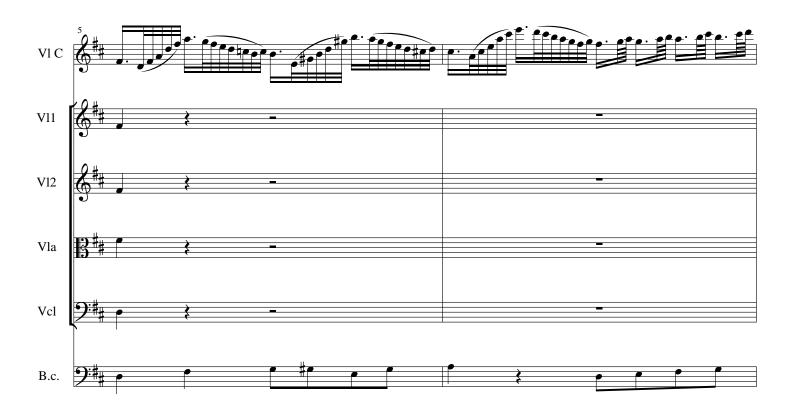


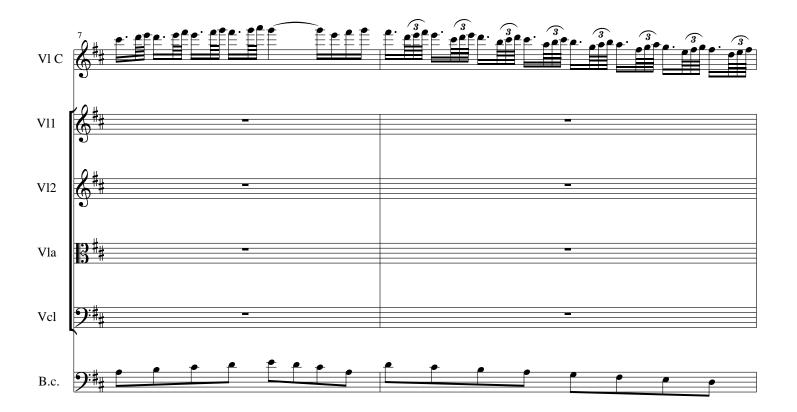


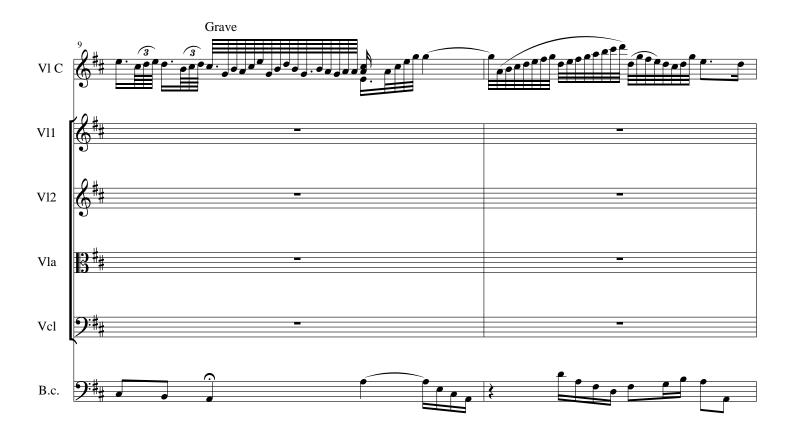


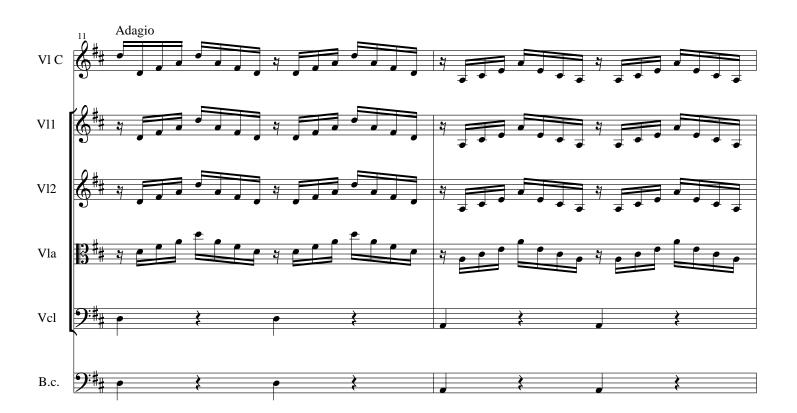


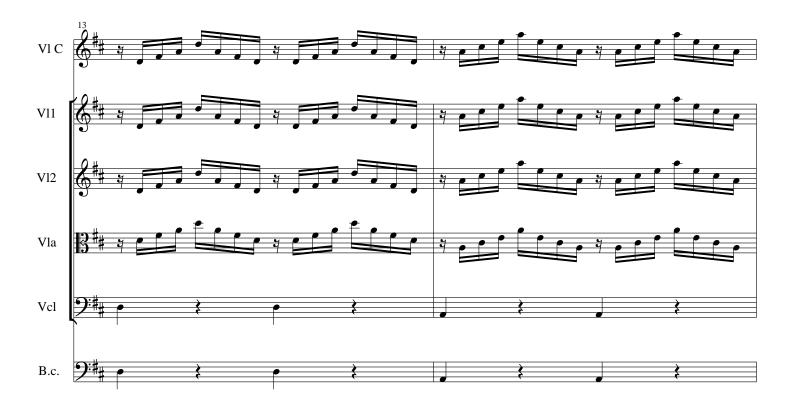












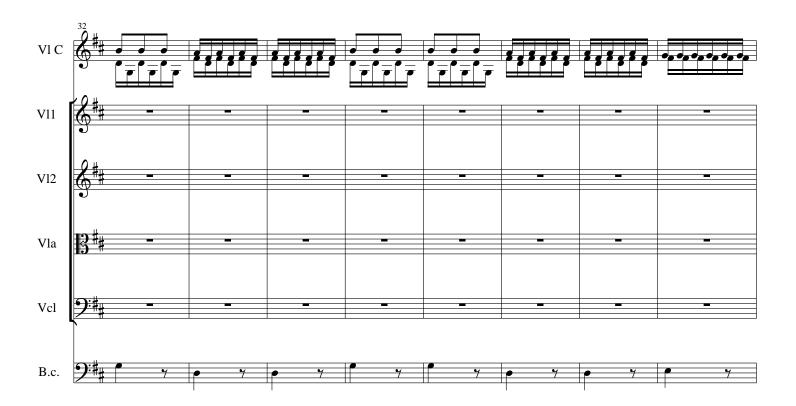


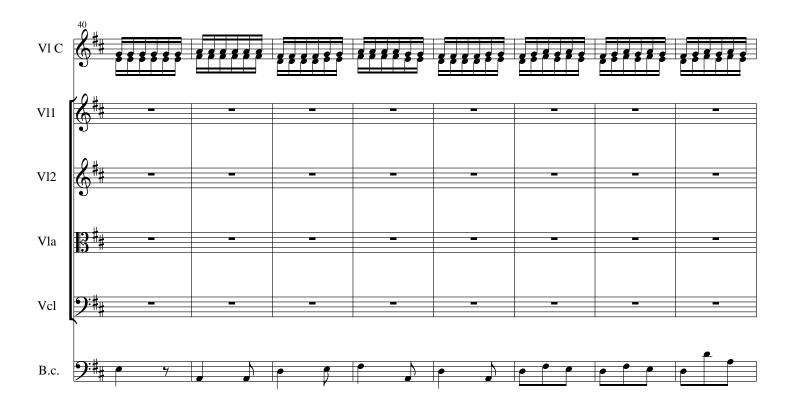


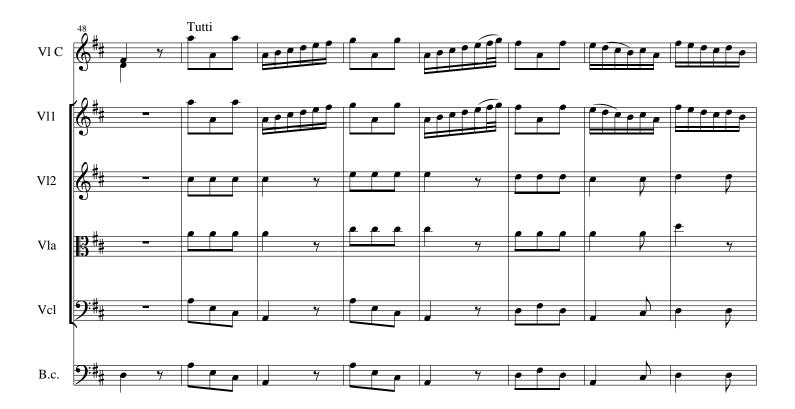












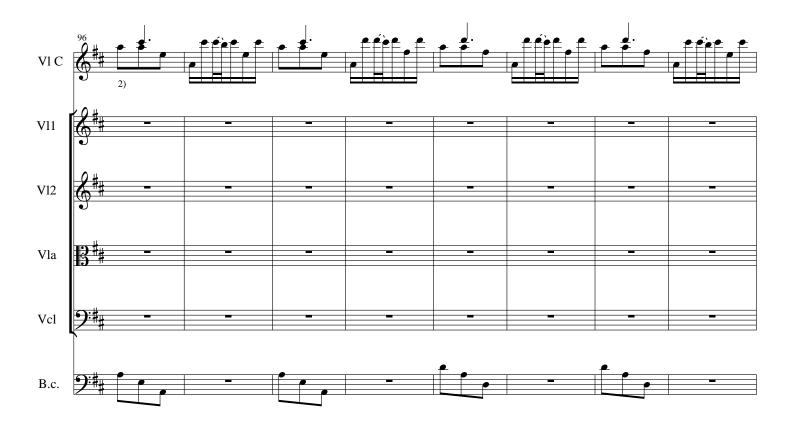


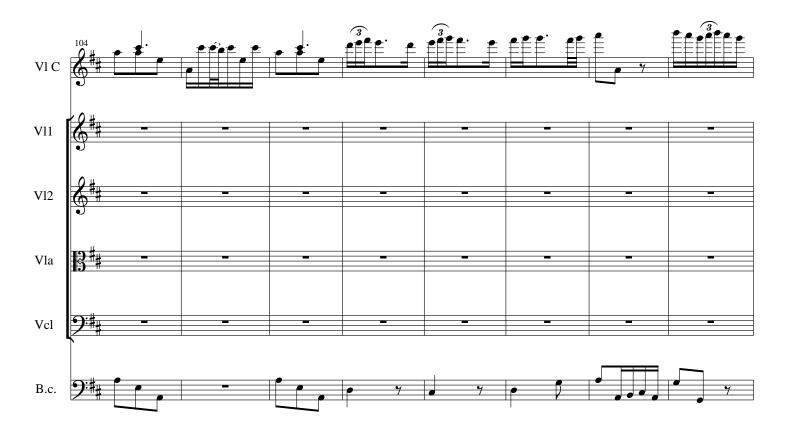


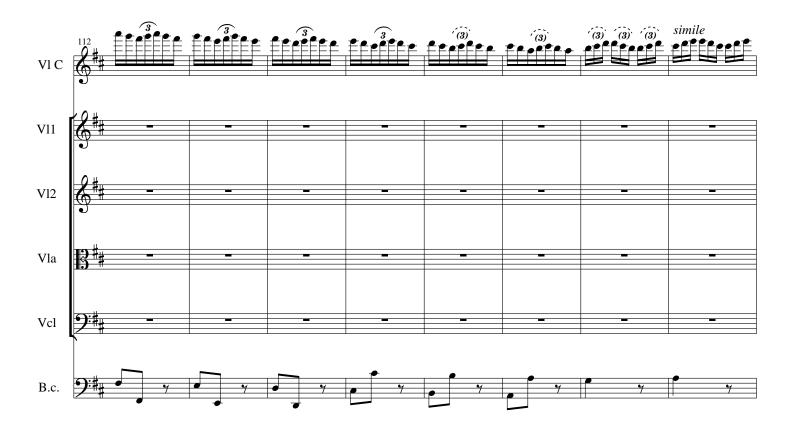


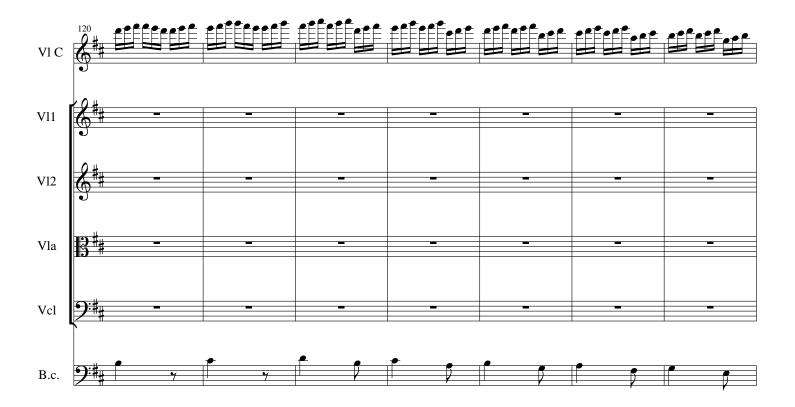


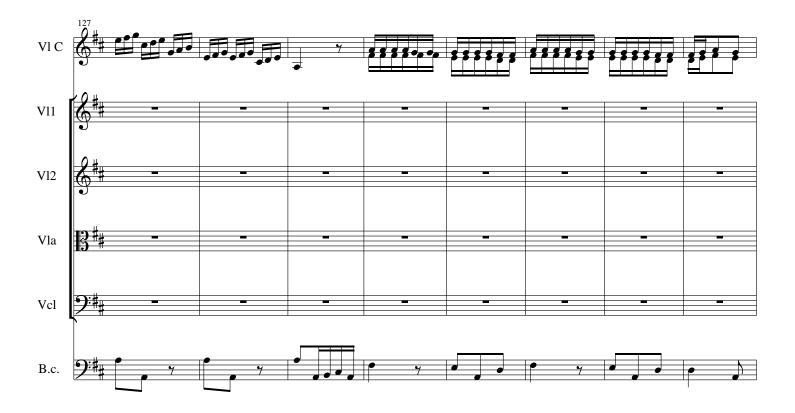














A general problem with the manuscript source of the concertoes is the phrasing slurs which seem to have been drawn sometimes very casually. This often leaves the editors with the problem of 'reconstructing' the actual intentions of the composer. Hence the phrasing slurs found in our modern edition should be taken with a grain of salt.

### Critical notes:

#### Allegro

Bar No.	Part	Note No.	Comment
5	B.c.	1 - 4	$\frac{1}{16}$ notes in ms.
7	Vl2	3-4	c♯, e in ms.
19	B.c.	3	f‡ in ms.
37	Vl.c.	1	Dotted $\frac{1}{4}$ note in ms.
61	Vl.c.	15	e in ms.
61	Vla	8	g in ms.
61	Bs	8	e in ms.
69	Vl.c.	9 - 16	Upper voice notes beamed in ms.
80	Vla	3	No accidental $\sharp$ in ms.
85	Vl.c.	15 - 16	d in ms.
87	Vl1	12	a in ms.
101	Vl.c.	1	No accidental $\sharp$ in ms.
101	Vl.c.	15	a in ms.
101	B.c.	8	a in ms.
105	B.c.	5	d in ms.
108	Vl.c.	1	Middle chord note $c\sharp$ in ms.

Bar No.	Part	Note No.	Comment
1	Vl.c.	7	Dotted $\frac{1}{4}$ note in ms.
1	Vl1	1	Dotted $\frac{1}{8}$ note in ms.
2	Vl.c.	13	f‡ in ms.
2	Vl.c.	21	No accidental $\natural$ in ms.
3	Vl.c.	10	$\frac{1}{16}$ note in ms.
3	Vl.c.	15, 22	No accidental $\sharp$ in ms.
5	Vl.c.	27	No accidental $\sharp$ in ms.
6	Vl.c.	10	Note badly visible in ms.
6	Vl.c.	16-17,	$\frac{1}{32}$ notes in ms.
		$19-20, \\ 22-23,$	
		22-23, 25-26	
7	Vl.c.	2-3,	$\frac{1}{32}$ notes in ms.
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		8 - 9,	
		11 - 12	
7	Vl.c.	13	Dotted $\frac{1}{4}$ note in ms.
8	Vl.c.		All triplets are $\frac{1}{32}$ notes in ms.

#### Allegro

Bar No.	Part	Note No.	Comment
2	B.c.	1	No dot $(?)$ in ms.
4	B.c.	1	No $\frac{1}{8}$ rest after note in ms.
7	B.c.	1 - 2	$\frac{1}{16}$ notes in ms.
16	Vla	1	g in ms.
49	Vl.c.		Section mark "Solo" in ms.
58	Vl1	6	d in ms.
78	Vl.c., VL1	3	No accidental $\natural$ in ms.
84	Vl2	3	c♯ in ms.
90	Vl.c.	3	No accidental $\natural$ in ms.
97	Vl.c.	3 - 5	$\frac{1}{16}, \frac{1}{32}, \frac{1}{32}$ notes in ms.
111	Vl.c.	1 - 7	$a,g,f\sharp,g,a,g,f\sharp$ in ms.
111 - 116	Vl.c.	3 - 5	$\frac{1}{32}$ triplet notes in ms.
112	Vl.c.	7	e in ms.
113	Vl.c.	6-7	e, d in ms.
123	B.c.	2	b in ms.
139 - 140	Vl2		Slur between bars in ms.