

## Viola Concerto in C major

based on the urtext for Violoncello Hob VIIb:1

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## ABOUT THIS EDITION

The aim of this edition is to provide aspiring viola players with a really significant classical concerto.

It is based on the superb Henle urtext edition.

It was really only necessary to transpose the cello part an octave higher. In only a couple of places was it left at original pitch, especially the 'thumb position' bravura passages, which simply don't work on the viola.

Therefore it is not necessary to provide a piano reduction. There are already many available. Likewise the score & parts.

I strongly recommend referring to the Henle edition for a faithful and authoritative rendering of slurs and articulations. Sadly many (e.g. the dotted rhythms in the opening) have been corrupted by successive generations of 19th century cellists and have become 'tradition'. A fresh look is necessary.

A couple of the versions available on IMSLP describe themselves as 'urtext' but then override the original ms.

There is a fairly extensive article on Wikipedia about the Concerto.

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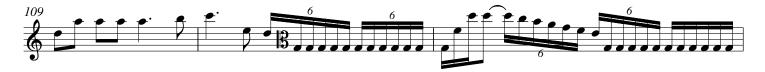






















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