

Armande de Polignac

Préludes pour piano

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Preludes for Piano

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Préface • Preface

Les *Préludes* font partie des premières œuvres publiées par Armande de Polignac, vers 1900. Aux côtés de ses premières mélodies, éditées en 1898, de son premier quatuor à cordes, joué en concert en 1899, et de son *Ouverture de Lear* pour orchestre, créée en 1902 à Montreux, ils marquent les débuts d'une production musicale qui comprend plus de cent soixante-dix œuvres, dans tous les genres musicaux alors pratiqués, avec une préférence marquée pour les ballets. Sa production la place parmi les compositrices importantes du début du XX^e siècle, cette époque qui voit une floraison inédite de la composition par les femmes dans le monde entier, sous l'influence des mouvements d'émancipation qui ont fait évoluer les mentalités déniaient aux femmes des capacités créatrices et qui ont notamment favorisé leur accès à des études de composition dans les conservatoires.

Armande de Polignac naît à Paris le 8 janvier 1876 dans une famille importante de l'aristocratie française. Elle ne connaîtra pas sa mère, Marie Langenberger, d'origine allemande, décédée une semaine après sa naissance, dont on sait qu'elle était une violoniste amatrice de haut niveau. Son père, Camille de Polignac, se remarie en 1883 avec une jeune Anglaise, Margaret Knight de Wolwerley, et c'est à Londres que l'enfant reçoit sa première formation musicale. Un de ses propres curriculum vitae évoque ces années : « Armande de Polignac montra dès l'enfance une passion pour la musique. À deux ans, elle s'asseyait aux pieds de son oncle, le prince Edmond de Polignac (qui épousa Winnaretta Singer) pour l'écouter improviser au piano. À quatre ans, elle cherchait des mélodies sur le piano ; vers neuf ou dix ans, elle avait pour Bach une telle passion qu'elle cherchait à convertir les domestiques à cette adoration. À onze ans, étudiant depuis longtemps le piano et le violon, elle commença les études d'harmonie à Londres avec des maîtres allemands ; elle composait depuis l'enfance. À dix-sept ans, elle eut la révélation de la musique russe et vint travailler à Paris, d'abord avec Gigout (organiste à Saint-Augustin) pour le contrepoint et la fugue, puis avec Fauré, enfin à la Schola de d'Indy, où elle tenait en outre dans l'orchestre la partie d'alto, et où elle travailla la composition, l'orchestration, la direction d'orchestre ». Ce travail de la direction avec Vincent d'Indy lui permet de diriger certaines de ses œuvres, comme son opéra *La Petite Sirène* en 1907 à l'Opéra de Nice et son ballet *Les Mille et une*

Nuits en 1914 au Théâtre du Châtelet, et de rejoindre ainsi la poignée de femmes qui ont pu accéder à la direction d'orchestre à cette époque, notamment d'autres compositrices comme Nadia Boulanger, Cécile Chaminade, Juliette Folville, Louise Hérítte-Viardot et Augusta Holmès. De ses propres dires, Armande de Polignac avait « voué sa vie à la musique », précisant : « Je ne reçois jamais, je ne vais jamais dans le monde, à moins d'y être appelée professionnellement. Car je ne suis pas une mondaine qui compose de la musique à ses moments perdus et pour se distraire. Je suis une femme qui a appris un métier, après avoir fait l'apprentissage nécessaire ». Elle épouse en 1895 le comte Alfred de Chabannes La Palice ; ils ont une fille unique, Hedwige. Le mariage ne freine pas ses activités. Elle peut compter sur le soutien de son époux, très mélomane, qui partage son désir de se faire connaître sous son nom de jeune fille. Armande de Polignac réussit à s'imposer comme compositrice professionnelle malgré les préjugés, doubles dans son cas : à la fois femme et aristocrate, elle se retrouve classée parmi les dilettantes.

Sa production pour le piano comprendrait une cinquantaine de pièces dont une dizaine seulement ont été publiées. L'imprécision découle du fait qu'un catalogue des œuvres d'Armande de Polignac n'a pas encore été réalisé. Certaines de ses pièces sont apparentées au genre de la musique légère, comme les *Danses mièvres* (1902) et la *Danse persane* (1922). D'autres présentent une écriture de piano ambitieuse qui témoigne de son niveau pianistique élevé (elle interprétait parfois ses propres pièces en concert), comme ses *Échappées* qui ont été publiées en 1909 et qu'elle a dédiées au célèbre pianiste Ricardo Viñes, ses *Prancing Goddesses* et ses *Féeries nocturnes* (deux œuvres non datées et restées manuscrites). Les *Préludes* révèlent quant à eux un parti-pris d'anti-virtuosité, tout en témoignant d'une recherche très personnelle bien éloignée de l'esprit de la « musique de salon » si présente dans la vie musicale de cette époque. Armande de Polignac est à cette époque sous l'influence de ses études à la Schola Cantorum, où l'emphase est mise sur la redécouverte du patrimoine musical des siècles précédents : à l'écriture dépouillée, presque ascétique, empreints de nostalgie, ils se présentent comme des harmonisations hardies de thèmes rappelant parfois les claviéristes français du passé. On remarque l'éventuelle influence d'Erik Satie dans l'accompagnement syncopé à la main gauche qui parcourt le *Prélude II* ; et de Gabriel Fauré dans l'exposition des thèmes des *Préludes IV* et *VI*, où l'harmonie est révélée par des arpèges à la main gauche toujours précédés d'un demi-soupir. Les *Préludes I* et *II* ont été utilisés par la compositrice comme soutien à des poèmes, sous forme de mélodrame/adaptation, un genre populaire au tournant des XX^e et XX^e siècles : son exemplaire de la partition porte les titres respectifs de *Printemps mort* et *Berceuse* ainsi que quelques répliques, clairement de sa main.

Le pianiste Laurent Martin, qui est la première personne à avoir rejoué les *Préludes* au XXI^e siècle, a témoigné dans le livret accompagnant son enregistrement paru en 2019 : « Elle a assimilé la musique du passé au cours de ses études, mais,

dans ses créations, elle va exprimer sa forte personnalité, d'abord plus discrète dans ses *Six préludes* du début du XX^e siècle qui sont des miniatures concentrées et disent tout en une ou deux minutes, élégance, fantaisie, sensibilité, nostalgie, originalité ».

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The *Preludes* date from about 1900, and are among the first works that Armande de Polignac published. Along with her first songs (published in 1898), her first string quartet (performed in 1899), and her *Ouverture de Lear* [*Overture to Lear*] for orchestra (first performed in 1902 in Montreux), they represent the early period in a body of work that includes more than a hundred and seventy pieces in all the musical genres that were then in use, with a marked preference for ballets. This output places her among the more important female composers of the early 20th century, a time that witnessed the appearance of an unprecedented number of female composers the world over, under the influence of women's liberation movements, which were successfully challenging attitudes that denied women's

creativity. In particular, women's movements had made it easier for women to enrol in composition courses at conservatories.

Armande de Polignac was born on 8 January 1876 in a prominent French aristocratic family. She did not know her mother, Marie Langenberger, who was of German origin, is known to have been a skilled amateur violinist, and died a week after her birth. In 1883, Armande's father, Camille de Polignac, married a young Englishwoman, Margaret Knight of Wolwerley, and Armande received her first musical training in London. According to one of her autobiographical essays, 'Armande de Polignac's enthusiasm for music was evident in early childhood. At the age of two, she sat at the feet of her uncle, Prince Edmond de Polignac (who married Winaretta Singer) to listen to him improvise at the piano. When she was four, she picked out melodies at the piano. At nine or ten, she had such a passion for Bach that she tried to instil it in the servants. At eleven, after years of piano and violin lessons, she began to study harmony with German teachers in London. By this time she already composed music. At seventeen, she took an avid interest in Russian music, and went to study in Paris, first with Gigout (organist at the Saint Augustin Church) for counterpoint and fugue, then with Fauré, and finally at d'Indy's Schola Cantorum, where she played viola in the orchestra and studied composition, orchestration, and conducting.' The conducting experience she gained with Vincent d'Indy enabled her to conduct some of her own works, such as her opera *La Petite Sirène* [*The Little Mermaid*] in 1907 at the Nice Opera, and her ballet *Les Mille et une Nuits* [*The Thousand and One Nights*] in 1914 at the Théâtre du Châtelet. Thus she joined the handful of women who had the opportunity to conduct an orchestra during that period, most of whom were other female composers, such as Nadia Boulanger, Cécile Chaminade, Juliette Folville, Louise Hérítte-Viardot, and Augusta Holmès. Armande de Polignac had, as she put it, 'devoted her life to music', adding: 'I never have guests at home, and I don't go to social gatherings, unless it's in a professional capacity. I'm not a socialite who composes music in her free time, to entertain herself. I'm a woman who has learned a trade, having received the necessary training.' In 1895 she married Count Alfred de Chabannes La Palice. They had one child, Hedwige. Marriage did not slow down her musical activity. She could rely on the support of her husband, an ardent music lover, who approved of her wish to gain recognition under her maiden name. Armande de Polignac succeeded in making her mark as a professional composer despite the double prejudice she faced: as a woman and an aristocrat, she was labelled a dilettante.

She seems to have written some fifty pieces for the piano, only about ten of which have been published. These numbers are imprecise because no catalogue of her works has yet been produced. Some of her compositions can be considered light music, such as *Danses mièvres* [*Sentimental Dances*] (1902) and *Danse persane* [*Persian Dance*] (1922). Others display ambitious piano writing, testifying to her

high level of musicianship (she sometimes performed her own pieces in concerts), such as *Échappées* [*Escapes*], published in 1909 and dedicated to the famous pianist Ricardo Viñes, *Prancing Goddesses*, and *Féeries nocturnes* [*Nocturnal enchantments*] (the last two of which are undated and exist only in manuscript form).

As for the *Preludes*, they reflect a desire to avoid virtuosity, while following an artistic path far removed from the spirit of the ‘salon music’ of the time. Armande de Polignac was then under the influence of her training at the Schola Cantorum, which emphasised the rediscovery of the musical heritage of previous centuries. The style of the *Preludes* is uncluttered, almost ascetic, and tinged with nostalgia; they strike the listener as daring harmonisations of themes that sometimes recall the French *claviéristes* of the past. The possible influence of Erik Satie can be detected in the left-hand accompaniment of *Prelude II*, and that of Gabriel Fauré in the exposition of the themes in *Preludes IV* and *VI*, in which the harmony is revealed by arpeggios in the left hand, always preceded by a quaver rest. The composer used *Preludes I* and *II* to accompany poems, in the form of melodramas/adaptations, a popular genre at the turn of the 19th and 20th centuries: on her own copy of the sheet music, the titles *Printemps mort* [*Dead Spring*] and *Berceuse* [*Lullaby*], respectively, along with a few lines of text, are written in what is clearly her handwriting.

The pianist Laurent Martin, who was the first to play the *Preludes* in the 21st century, observed in the liner notes of his recording, which appeared in 2019: ‘She absorbed the music of the past in the course of her studies, but in her creations, she expressed her own strong personality, at first in a subdued manner in her *Six Preludes* at the beginning of the 20th century; they are concentrated miniatures that say a great deal in one or two minutes, with elegance, imagination, sensitivity, nostalgia, and originality’.

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Remarques • Comments

Chaque remarque correspond à une note de bas de page dans la partition. Les numéros précédant une remarque identifient la mesure et le temps auxquels elle se réfère. Ceux-ci sont suivis, le cas échéant, par l'identifiant de la source dans laquelle se trouve la version préférée. **E_P** est la seule source pour tous les *Préludes* sauf le premier.



Each comment corresponds to a footnote in the music text. The numbers preceding a comment identify the measure and beat that it refers to. These are followed by the identifier of the source, if any, that contains the preferred reading. **E_P** is the only source for all the *Preludes* except the first.

Prélude I

11, 1 **E_P**

Les liaisons d'expression de la portée inférieure de la mesure 11, ainsi que toutes celles de la mesure 12, sont absentes dans **E_B**.



The slurs in the lower staff in mesure 11, along with all those in mesure 12, are absent in **E_B**.

17, 1 **E_P**

Toutes les liaisons d'expression des mesures 17–20 sont absentes dans **E_B**.



All the slurs in measures 17–20 are absent in **E_B**.

21, 1 E_P

Dans E_B , il y avait une liaison d'expression qui durait jusqu'à la fin de la mesure suivante. Elle a été supprimée dans E_P .

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A slur in E_B , lasting until the end of the following measure, was removed in E_P .

29, 1 E_P

Toutes les liaisons d'expression des mesures 29–40, ainsi que celles de la portée inférieure des mesures 41 et 42, la nuance de la mesure 37 et le soufflet des mesures 43–44, sont absentes dans E_B .

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All the slurs in measures 29–40, along with those in the lower staff in measures 41 and 42, the dynamic marking in measure 37, and the hairpin in measures 43–44, are absent in E_B .

Prélude II

5, 2 Dans E_P , il manque l'altération du $sol\sharp$ de la portée supérieure.

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In E_P , The accidental is missing on the $G\sharp$ in the upper staff.

6, 1 Il manque l'altération du $ré\sharp$ de la portée inférieure.

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The accidental is missing on the $D\sharp$ in the lower staff.

7, 1 Il manque l'altération du $ré\sharp$ de la portée inférieure.

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The accidental is missing on the $D\sharp$ in the lower staff.

Prélude III

39, 2 Il manque le changement de clef.

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The clef change is missing.

Prélude V

61, 1 Dans E_p , l'accord est composé de rondes et non de blanches.

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In E_p , the chord consists of whole notes rather than half notes.

Prélude VI

10, 2 Il manque l'altération du sol^b de la portée supérieure.

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The accidental is missing on the G^b in the upper staff.

17, 1 Il manque l'altération du sol^b de la portée supérieure.

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The accidental is missing on the G^b in the upper staff.

28, 2 Il manque probablement un \natural au $ré$, étant donné la forme de ce motif dans ses autres apparitions.

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The D is probably missing a \natural , considering the shape of the other occurrences of this motif.

à M^r Henry Gauthier-Villars

Prélude I

en mi majeur • in E major

Allegro moderato

mf

¹Voir *Remarques*. • See *Comments*.

16

19

23

27

30

¹Voir Remarques. • See Comments.

²Voir Remarques. • See Comments.

³Voir Remarques. • See Comments.

33

subito *p* meno mosso

Musical score for measures 33-35. The piece is in A major (three sharps). Measure 33 starts with a treble clef, a whole rest, and a half note G4. The bass line has a half note C3, quarter notes D3, E3, and F3, and a half note G3. Measure 34 has a treble clef with a half note G4, quarter notes A4, B4, and C5, and a half note D5. The bass line has a half note C3, quarter notes D3, E3, and F3, and a half note G3. Measure 35 has a treble clef with a half note G4, quarter notes A4, B4, and C5, and a half note D5. The bass line has a half note C3, quarter notes D3, E3, and F3, and a half note G3.

36

1^{er} tempo

rall. *mf*

Musical score for measures 36-38. Measure 36 has a treble clef with a half note G4, quarter notes A4, B4, and C5, and a half note D5. The bass line has a half note C3, quarter notes D3, E3, and F3, and a half note G3. Measure 37 has a treble clef with a half note G4, quarter notes A4, B4, and C5, and a half note D5. The bass line has a half note C3, quarter notes D3, E3, and F3, and a half note G3. Measure 38 has a treble clef with a half note G4, quarter notes A4, B4, and C5, and a half note D5. The bass line has a half note C3, quarter notes D3, E3, and F3, and a half note G3.

39

Musical score for measures 39-41. Measure 39 has a treble clef with a half note G4, quarter notes A4, B4, and C5, and a half note D5. The bass line has a half note C3, quarter notes D3, E3, and F3, and a half note G3. Measure 40 has a treble clef with a half note G4, quarter notes A4, B4, and C5, and a half note D5. The bass line has a half note C3, quarter notes D3, E3, and F3, and a half note G3. Measure 41 has a treble clef with a half note G4, quarter notes A4, B4, and C5, and a half note D5. The bass line has a half note C3, quarter notes D3, E3, and F3, and a half note G3.

42

Musical score for measures 42-45. Measure 42 has a treble clef with a half note G4, quarter notes A4, B4, and C5, and a half note D5. The bass line has a half note C3, quarter notes D3, E3, and F3, and a half note G3. Measure 43 has a treble clef with a half note G4, quarter notes A4, B4, and C5, and a half note D5. The bass line has a half note C3, quarter notes D3, E3, and F3, and a half note G3. Measure 44 has a treble clef with a half note G4, quarter notes A4, B4, and C5, and a half note D5. The bass line has a half note C3, quarter notes D3, E3, and F3, and a half note G3. Measure 45 has a treble clef with a half note G4, quarter notes A4, B4, and C5, and a half note D5. The bass line has a half note C3, quarter notes D3, E3, and F3, and a half note G3. The piece ends with a double bar line and a fermata over the final chord.

8-1

à M^f W. Junker

Prélude II

Moderato

3

cresc.

5

f *p*

7

f

9

p

¹Altération manquante. • Missing accidental.

²Altération manquante. • Missing accidental.

³Altération manquante. • Missing accidental.

11

Musical notation for measures 11 and 12. The key signature is two sharps (F# and C#). Measure 11 starts with a quarter rest in the treble clef, followed by an eighth-note melody. Measure 12 continues the melody. A dotted line with the number 8 above it spans across both measures. The bass clef part consists of chords and single notes.

13

Musical notation for measures 13 and 14. The key signature is two sharps. Measure 13 starts with a quarter rest in the treble clef, followed by an eighth-note melody. Measure 14 continues the melody. A dotted line with the number 8 above it spans across both measures. The bass clef part consists of chords and single notes.

15

Musical notation for measures 15 and 16. The key signature is two sharps. Measure 15 starts with a quarter rest in the treble clef, followed by an eighth-note melody. Measure 16 continues the melody. The bass clef part consists of chords and single notes.

17

Musical notation for measures 17 and 18. The key signature is two sharps. Measure 17 starts with a quarter rest in the treble clef, followed by an eighth-note melody. Measure 18 continues the melody. A piano (*p*) dynamic marking is present in the bass clef. The piece concludes with a double bar line.

à M^f W. Junker**Prélude III**

Allegretto

mf

3

5

f

dim.

8

p

11

(b)

14

cresc.

8

17

f

8

20

b2

23

26

dim.

29

Musical score for measures 29-31. Treble clef has a whole note chord, then an eighth-note melody. Bass clef has an eighth-note melody. Key signature: three flats. Measure 31 ends with a fermata over a chord.

32

Musical score for measures 32-34. Treble clef has a sixteenth-note melody. Bass clef has an eighth-note melody. Key signature: three flats. Measure 34 ends with a fermata over a chord.

35

Musical score for measures 35-37. Treble clef has a sixteenth-note melody. Bass clef has an eighth-note melody. Key signature: three flats. Measure 37 ends with a fermata over a chord.

38

Musical score for measures 38-40. Treble clef has a whole note chord, then an eighth-note melody. Bass clef has an eighth-note melody. Measure 39 has a piano (*p*) dynamic marking. Measure 40 has a fermata over a chord and a first finger (1) marking.

10

15

f *allargando*

This system contains measures 15, 16, and 17. The music is written for piano in a grand staff. Measure 15 starts with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). Measure 16 changes to a bass clef and a key signature of one flat (Bb). Measure 17 returns to a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (Bb). The dynamic *f* (forte) is indicated in measure 17, and the tempo marking *allargando* (ritardando) is placed above the staff in measure 17.

18

ff

This system contains measures 18, 19, and 20. The music continues in the grand staff. Measure 18 is in a treble clef with a key signature of one flat (Bb). Measure 19 is in a bass clef with a key signature of one flat (Bb). Measure 20 is in a treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#). The dynamic *ff* (fortissimo) is indicated in measure 19.

1^{er} tempo

21

pp

This system contains measures 21, 22, and 23. The music is written in a grand staff. Measure 21 is in a bass clef with a key signature of one flat (Bb). Measure 22 is in a treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#). Measure 23 is in a bass clef with a key signature of one flat (Bb). The tempo marking *1^{er} tempo* is placed above the staff in measure 21, and the dynamic *pp* (pianissimo) is indicated in measure 21.

24

dolce legato

Red. *

This system contains measures 24, 25, and 26. The music is written in a grand staff. Measure 24 is in a treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#). Measure 25 is in a bass clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#). Measure 26 is in a treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#). The dynamic *dolce legato* is indicated in measure 25. There is a *Red.* (Reduction) marking in measure 25 and an asterisk *** in measure 26.

27

f *ff* *sfz*

This system contains measures 27, 28, and 29. The music is written in a grand staff. Measure 27 is in a treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#). Measure 28 is in a bass clef with a key signature of one flat (Bb). Measure 29 is in a treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#). Dynamics *f* (forte) is in measure 27, *ff* (fortissimo) is in measure 28, and *sfz* (sforzando) is in measure 28.

30

sfz *p*

This system contains measures 30, 31, and 32. The music is written in a grand staff. Measure 30 is in a treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#). Measure 31 is in a bass clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#). Measure 32 is in a treble clef with a key signature of one flat (Bb). Dynamics *sfz* (sforzando) is in measure 30 and *p* (piano) is in measure 31.

33

Musical notation for measures 33-35. The system consists of two staves: a treble clef staff and a bass clef staff. Measure 33 features a melodic line in the treble with a flat and a sharp, and a bass line with a flat. Measure 34 continues the melodic line with a flat and a sharp, and the bass line with a flat. Measure 35 concludes the system with a sharp in both staves.

36

Musical notation for measures 36-38. The system consists of two staves: a treble clef staff and a bass clef staff. Measure 36 features a melodic line in the treble with a sharp and a flat, and a bass line with a sharp. Measure 37 continues the melodic line with a sharp and a flat, and the bass line with a sharp. Measure 38 concludes the system with a sharp in both staves.

39

mf

p

Musical notation for measures 39-41. The system consists of two staves: a treble clef staff and a bass clef staff. Measure 39 features a melodic line in the treble with a flat and a sharp, and a bass line with a flat. Measure 40 continues the melodic line with a flat and a sharp, and the bass line with a flat. Measure 41 concludes the system with a sharp in both staves. Dynamics include *mf* and *p*.

42

Musical notation for measures 42-44. The system consists of two staves: a treble clef staff and a bass clef staff. Measure 42 features a melodic line in the treble with a sharp and a flat, and a bass line with a flat. Measure 43 continues the melodic line with a sharp and a flat, and the bass line with a flat. Measure 44 concludes the system with a sharp in both staves.

45

dim. *e* *rall.* *pp* *f*

a tempo

Musical notation for measures 45-47. The system consists of two staves: a treble clef staff and a bass clef staff. Measure 45 features a melodic line in the treble with a sharp and a flat, and a bass line with a flat. Measure 46 continues the melodic line with a sharp and a flat, and the bass line with a flat. Measure 47 concludes the system with a sharp in both staves. Dynamics include *dim.*, *e*, *rall.*, *pp*, and *f*. The tempo marking *a tempo* is present.

48

energico *mf* *a tempo*

sfz

marcato il basso

Musical notation for measures 48-50. The system consists of two staves: a treble clef staff and a bass clef staff. Measure 48 features a melodic line in the treble with a sharp and a flat, and a bass line with a flat. Measure 49 continues the melodic line with a sharp and a flat, and the bass line with a flat. Measure 50 concludes the system with a sharp in both staves. Dynamics include *mf* and *sfz*. The tempo marking *a tempo* is present. The instruction *energico* is written above the treble staff, and *marcato il basso* is written below the bass staff.

Prélude V**Andantino**

mf en sourdine

3 3

The first system of the musical score for 'Prélude V' is in 2/4 time with a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat). It features a melody in the right hand and a bass line in the left hand. The melody consists of eighth and quarter notes, while the bass line features triplet eighth notes. The dynamic marking is *mf en sourdine*. The system concludes with two triplet markings over the final notes of the bass line.

5

The second system continues the piece, starting at measure 5. The right hand melody includes a half note with a flat (B-flat) and a quarter note with a flat (E-flat). The left hand continues with eighth notes and quarter notes. The system ends with a quarter note in the right hand and a quarter note in the left hand.

9

pp

And.

The third system begins at measure 9. The right hand features a melodic line with a *pp* dynamic marking. The left hand continues with eighth notes. The system includes a first ending bracket labeled 'And.' and a second ending marked with an asterisk (*).

13

rall.

The fourth system starts at measure 13. The right hand has a half note with a flat (B-flat) and a quarter note with a flat (E-flat). The left hand continues with eighth notes. The system concludes with a *rall.* marking over the final notes.

17

Più mosso

molto

f

And.

The fifth system begins at measure 17. The tempo changes to **Più mosso**. The right hand starts with a *molto* dynamic marking, followed by a *f* dynamic marking. The left hand continues with eighth notes. The system includes a first ending bracket and ends with a *And.* marking.

21

Musical notation for measures 21-24. The piece is in B-flat major (two flats). Measure 21 features a treble clef with a half note chord (F4, A4, Bb4) and a bass clef with a whole rest. Measure 22 has a treble clef with a half note chord (F4, A4, Bb4) and a bass clef with a half note chord (Bb3, D4, F4). Measure 23 has a treble clef with a half note chord (F4, A4, Bb4) and a bass clef with a half note chord (Bb3, D4, F4). Measure 24 has a treble clef with a half note chord (F4, A4, Bb4) and a bass clef with a half note chord (Bb3, D4, F4). A fermata is placed over the final notes of measure 24. A small asterisk (*) is located below the bass clef in measure 22.

25

Musical notation for measures 25-28. The piece is in B-flat major (two flats). Measure 25 features a treble clef with a half note chord (F4, A4, Bb4) and a bass clef with a whole rest. Measure 26 has a treble clef with a half note chord (F4, A4, Bb4) and a bass clef with a half note chord (Bb3, D4, F4). Measure 27 has a treble clef with a half note chord (F4, A4, Bb4) and a bass clef with a half note chord (Bb3, D4, F4). Measure 28 has a treble clef with a half note chord (F4, A4, Bb4) and a bass clef with a half note chord (Bb3, D4, F4).

29

Musical notation for measures 29-32. The piece is in B-flat major (two flats). Measure 29 features a treble clef with a half note chord (F4, A4, Bb4) and a bass clef with a half note chord (Bb3, D4, F4). Measure 30 has a treble clef with a half note chord (F4, A4, Bb4) and a bass clef with a half note chord (Bb3, D4, F4). Measure 31 has a treble clef with a half note chord (F4, A4, Bb4) and a bass clef with a half note chord (Bb3, D4, F4). Measure 32 has a treble clef with a half note chord (F4, A4, Bb4) and a bass clef with a half note chord (Bb3, D4, F4). A dynamic marking of *f* is present in measure 31.

33

Musical notation for measures 33-36. The piece is in B-flat major (two flats). Measure 33 features a treble clef with a half note chord (F4, A4, Bb4) and a bass clef with a whole rest. Measure 34 has a treble clef with a half note chord (F4, A4, Bb4) and a bass clef with a half note chord (Bb3, D4, F4). Measure 35 has a treble clef with a half note chord (F4, A4, Bb4) and a bass clef with a half note chord (Bb3, D4, F4). Measure 36 has a treble clef with a half note chord (F4, A4, Bb4) and a bass clef with a half note chord (Bb3, D4, F4). The word *accelerando* is written below the bass clef in measure 34.

37

Musical notation for measures 37-40. The piece is in B-flat major (two flats). Measure 37 features a treble clef with a half note chord (F4, A4, Bb4) and a bass clef with a half note chord (Bb3, D4, F4). Measure 38 has a treble clef with a half note chord (F4, A4, Bb4) and a bass clef with a half note chord (Bb3, D4, F4). Measure 39 has a treble clef with a half note chord (F4, A4, Bb4) and a bass clef with a half note chord (Bb3, D4, F4). Measure 40 has a treble clef with a half note chord (F4, A4, Bb4) and a bass clef with a half note chord (Bb3, D4, F4).

41

Musical notation for measures 41-44. The piece is in B-flat major (two flats). Measure 41 features a treble clef with a half note chord (F4, A4, Bb4) and a bass clef with a half note chord (Bb3, D4, F4). Measure 42 has a treble clef with a half note chord (F4, A4, Bb4) and a bass clef with a half note chord (Bb3, D4, F4). Measure 43 has a treble clef with a half note chord (F4, A4, Bb4) and a bass clef with a half note chord (Bb3, D4, F4). Measure 44 has a treble clef with a half note chord (F4, A4, Bb4) and a bass clef with a half note chord (Bb3, D4, F4). A dynamic marking of *ff* is present in measure 42. A fermata is placed over the final notes of measure 44. A small number 8 is written above the treble clef in measure 42, and a small number 7 is written above the bass clef in measure 44.

45

45-48: Musical score for measures 45-48. The piece is in B-flat major (two flats). Measure 45 starts with a treble clef and a bass clef. The right hand has a whole note chord (F4, A4, C5) with a fermata. The left hand has a quarter note (F3) followed by eighth notes (G3, A3, B3, C4, D4, E4, F4). Dynamics include *sempre ff*, *dim.*, and *pp*. A fermata is also present over the first eighth note of the left hand in measure 45.

49

49-51: Musical score for measures 49-51. The right hand has a melodic line with eighth notes and quarter notes, often beamed together. The left hand has a steady eighth-note accompaniment. Dynamics include *pp*.

52

52-54: Musical score for measures 52-54. The right hand has a melodic line with quarter notes and half notes. The left hand has a steady eighth-note accompaniment. Dynamics include *pp*.

55

55-57: Musical score for measures 55-57. The tempo marking **Lento** appears above the staff. The right hand has a melodic line with quarter notes and half notes. The left hand has a steady eighth-note accompaniment. Dynamics include *pp* and *rall. molto*.

58

58-60: Musical score for measures 58-60. The tempo marking **Stretto** appears above the staff. The right hand has a melodic line with quarter notes and half notes. The left hand has a steady eighth-note accompaniment. Dynamics include *p*. A fermata is present over the first eighth note of the left hand in measure 58. A first ending bracket with the number 8 is shown above the staff in measure 60. A first ending bracket with the number 1 is shown below the staff in measure 60.

à M^r Lazare Weiller

Prélude VI

Allegro molto

mf

f

dim.

1

f

dolce

¹Altération manquante. • Missing accidental.

14

17

20

rall. **a tempo** *f*

23

26

2

29

sf *sf* *ff*

¹Altération manquante. • Missing accidental.

²Altération manquante. • Missing accidental.

32

Musical score for measures 32-34. The piece is in a key with three flats (B-flat major or D-flat minor) and a 3/4 time signature. Measure 32 features a melody in the right hand with eighth notes and a bass line with quarter notes. Measure 33 has a dynamic marking of *f* (forte) and includes a sharp sign (#) on the second staff. Measure 34 has a dynamic marking of *p* (piano) and continues the melodic and bass patterns.

35

Musical score for measures 35-37. Measure 35 starts with a dynamic marking of *f* (forte). Measure 36 has a dynamic marking of *p* (piano). Measure 37 continues the melodic and bass patterns.

38

Musical score for measures 38-40. Measure 38 has a dynamic marking of *p* (piano). Measure 39 has a dynamic marking of *ff* (fortissimo). Measure 40 concludes the section with a final chord in both hands.

41

Musical score for measures 41-43. Measure 41 includes a first ending bracket with a repeat sign and a dynamic marking of *p* (piano). Measure 42 continues the melodic and bass patterns. Measure 43 concludes the section.

44

Musical score for measures 44-46. Measure 44 includes a first ending bracket with a repeat sign and a dynamic marking of *p* (piano). Measure 45 continues the melodic and bass patterns. Measure 46 concludes the section with a final chord in both hands.