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From "Preludes for Piano," Book I

Claude Debussy

Arranged by Robert Longfield

Program Notes

The Engulfed Cathedral by Claude Debussy is the tenth of twelve **Preludes for Piano**, Book I. Written in the short span of two months (December 7, 1909—February 4, 1910), the **Preludes** reveal the evolving "impressionist" style of the composer during the mid-point of his composing career. Although the **Preludes** have very descriptive, programmatic titles, it should be noted that Debussy placed the titles at the **end** of each piece, perhaps to suggest that the music is intended to be considered independent of its "program."

The Engulfed Cathedral recalls an old Breton legend which tells the story of the sunken Cathedral of Ys. Once a year, when the sea is transparent and the morning mist has cleared, the cathedral rises from the watery depths. The tolling of bells and the chanting of priests can be heard. Then, slowly, the vision is once again engulfed by the waves.

One of Debussy's most popular works, **The Engulfed Cathedral** has been transcribed in many different forms. In this edition it is now available for the modern concert band/wind ensemble.

Notes to the Conductor

The **Engulfed Cathedral** should be played in a very sustained, **legato** style throughout. The conductor should feel free to make use of the cues provided and/or to limit the number of players playing at any time to insure a proper balance of all parts. The harp, although optional, will add greatly in creating an "impressionist" sound in this transcription.

The performance directions contained in the score of **The Engulfed Cathedral** have been freely translated from the French. All performance directions in brackets are those of the transcriber.

Debussy, in his own performances of **The Engulfed Cathedral** (captured on piano rolls in 1913), often took great liberties with regard to tempo. In some sections, contrary to any indications in the original piano score, the tempo was actually doubled. These sections are indicated as being [in 3] in the conductor's score. The conductor may wish to refer to the many fine recordings of **The Engulfed Cathedral** which are currently available.

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Robert Longfield was born and raised in Grand Rapids, Michigan. He graduated with honors from The University of Michigan where he studied with Jerry Bilik and Dr. Paul Boylan and where he was a member of the band under Dr. William D. Revelli and George Cavender.

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A member of ASCAP, Mr. Longfield's arrangements have been played by high school and university bands throughout the United States, including performances at several major bowl games and the 1984 Olympics in Los Angeles.

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from "Preludes", Book I

Full Conductor Score

Claude Debussy ³
arr. by Robert Longfield

13-2001

Profoundly calm (as in a soft mist) [in 6 ♩ = 60]

Flutes 1, 2

Piccino

Oboes 1, 2

E \flat Clarinet

B \flat Clarinets 1, 2, 3

E \flat Alto Clarinet

E \flat Contrabass Clarinet

B \flat Bass Clarinet

B \flat Contrabass Clarinet

Bassoons 1, 2

Contra Bassoon

E \flat Alto Saxophones 1, 2

B \flat Tenor Saxophone

E \flat Baritone Saxophone

F Horns 1, 2, 3, 4

B \flat Trumpets 1, 2, 3, 4

B \flat Cornets 1, 2

Trombones 1 (Bsn. 1 *pp* st. mute), 2 (Bsn. 2 *pp* st. mute), 3

Baritone

Tuba

String Bass

Timpani

Suspended Cymbal

Gong, Bass Drum

Percussion

Bells, Chimes

Harp

D \flat : C \flat B \flat /E \flat F \flat G \flat A \flat

Fls. [in 3] [10] [in 6]

Fl. Solo *p* sweet and fluid

Obs. Solo *p* sweet and fluid

E♭Cl. 1 *pp*

B♭Cl. 2 *pp*

A.Cl. *pp*

E♭Cb.Cl. *pp*

B.Cl. *pp*

B♭Cb.Cl. *pp*

Bass. 1 Solo *p* sweet and fluid

Bass. 2 *pp*

Chm. *pp*

A.Sax. *pp*

T.Sax. Ben. Solo *p* sweet and fluid

Bar.Sax. *pp*

Hns. 1 [in 3] [10] [in 6]

Hns. 2 *st. mute p* sweet and fluid

Hns. 3 *pp*

Hns. 4 *pp*

Obs. Solo *pp*

Tpts. 1 *pp*

Tpts. 2 *pp*

Tpts. 3 *pp*

Cors. 1 *pp*

Cors. 2 *pp*

Trbs. 1 *pp*

Trbs. 2 *pp*

Trbs. 3 *pp*

Bar. *pp*

Tuba *pp*

St.B. *pp*

Timp. *pp*

Chimes *p*

Harp *p*

20 Progressively increasing (without pressing)

[in 3]

Fls. 1 2 *mp*

Picc. *mp*

Obs. 1 2 *mp*

E♭ Cl. 1 2 *mp*

B♭ Cls. 1 2 3 *mp*

A. Cl. *mp*

E♭ Cb. Cl. *mp*

B. Cl. *mp*

B♭ Cb. Cl. *mp*

Baru. *mp*

Cban. *mp*

A. Saxs. 1 2 *mp*

T. Sax. *mp*

Bar. Sax. *mp*

21 Progressively increasing (without pressing)

[in 3]

Hns. 1 2 3 4 *mp*

Tpts. 1 2 *mp*

Cors. 1 2 *mp*

Trbs. 1 2 3 *mp*

Bar. *mp*

Tuba *mp*

St. B. *mp*

Tamp. *mp*

Bells Chimes *mf*

Harp *f*

[rit.] Sonorous without harshness

Fl. 1
Fl. 2
Picc.
Obs. 1
Obs. 2
Eb Cl. 1
Eb Cl. 2
Bb Cl. 1
Bb Cl. 2
A. Cl.
Eb Cb. Cl.
B. Cl.
Bb Cb. Cl.
Bass. 1
Bass. 2
Cm.
A. Sax.
T. Sax.
Bar. Sax.
Hrn. 1
Hrn. 2, 3
Com. 1
Com. 2
Trbn. 1
Trbn. 2
Trbn. 3
Bar.
Tuba
St. B.
Timp.
Gong B.D.
Bells
Chimes
Harp

This page of a musical score contains the following instruments and parts:

- Fls. (Flutes) - 1 and 2
- Picc. (Piccolo)
- Obs. (Oboes) - 1 and 2
- E♭Cl. (E-flat Clarinets)
- B♭Cl. (B-flat Clarinets) - 1, 2, and 3
- A.Cl. (Alto Clarinet)
- E♭Cb.Cl. (E-flat Contrabass Clarinet)
- B.Cl. (Bass Clarinet)
- B♭Cb.Cl. (B-flat Contrabass Clarinet)
- Bass. (Bassoon) - 1 and 2
- Cbass. (Cello)
- A.Sax. (Alto Saxophone) - 1 and 2
- T.Sax. (Tenor Saxophone)
- Bar.Sax. (Baritone Saxophone)
- Hrs. (Horns) - 1, 2, 3, and 4
- Tpts. (Trumpets) - 1, 2, and 3
- Corn. (Cornets) - 1 and 2
- Trbs. (Trombones) - 1, 2, and 3
- Bar. (Baritone)
- Tuba
- St.B. (Snare Drum)
- Timp. (Timpani)
- Gong B.D. (Gong and Bells)
- Chimes
- Harp

The score includes various musical notations such as notes, rests, and dynamic markings. A second measure number '30' is visible in the lower section of the page.

Fls. 2

Picc.

Obs. 2

E♭ Cl. 1

B♭ Cls. 2

A. Cl. 3

E♭ Cb. Cl. 1

B. Cl. 2

B♭ Cb. Cl. 1

Bsns. 2

Cbns.

A. Sax. 1

T. Sax. 2

Bar. Sax. 1

Hrs. 1

Tpts. 2

Cor. 1

Trbs. 1

Bar. 2

Tuba 1

St. B. 1

Timp.

Gong B.D.

Chimes

Harp

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- Fla.** (Flute)
- Picc.** (Piccolo)
- Obs.** (Oboe)
- E♭ Cl.** (E-flat Clarinet)
- B♭ Cl.** (B-flat Clarinet)
- A. Cl.** (Alto Clarinet)
- E♭ Cb. Cl.** (E-flat Contrabass Clarinet)
- B. Cl.** (Bass Clarinet)
- B♭ Cb. Cl.** (B-flat Contrabass Clarinet)
- Bass.** (Bassoon)
- Obs.** (Oboe)
- A. Sax.** (Alto Saxophone)
- T. Sax.** (Tenor Saxophone)
- Bar. Sax.** (Baritone Saxophone)
- Hrn.** (Horn)
- Tpts.** (Trumpet)
- Corn.** (Cornet)
- Trbn.** (Trombone)
- Bar.** (Baritone)
- Tuba**
- St. B.** (Snare Drum)
- Timp.** (Tympani)
- S. Cym.** (Small Cymbal)
- Harp**

The score includes various musical notations such as notes, rests, and dynamic markings. A rehearsal mark **60** is present at the top of the page. The bottom right corner features a key signature: **D♭ C♭ B♭/E♭ F♭ G♭ A♭**.

A tempo (like an echo of the previous phrase)

Fls. 1 2

Picc.

Obs. 1 2

E♭ Cl. 1 2

B♭ Cl. 1 2 3

A. Cl.

E♭ Cb. Cl.

B. Cl.

B♭ Cb. Cl.

Bass. 1 2

Harp

Cbss.

A. Sax. 1 2

T. Sax.

Bar. Sax.

A tempo (like an echo of the previous phrase)

Hrs. 1 2 3 4

Tpts. 1 2 3

Corn. 1 2

Hn. 1 1° 2°

Hn. 3

Hn. 2

Trbs. 1 2 3

Bar.

Tuba

St. B.

Timp.

Harp

floating and muffled

80

Fis. 1
2

Picc.

Obs. 1
2

E♭Cl.

B♭Cl. 2
3

A.Cl.

E♭Cb.Cl.

B.Cl.

B♭Cb.Cl.

Bass. 1
2

Chan.

A.Sax. 1
2

T.Sax.

Bar. Sax.

80

Hns. 1
2
3
4

Tpts. 1
2
3

Corn. 1
2

Trbn. 1
2
3

Bar.

Tuba

St.B.

Timp.

Harp

pu pp

pu pp

pu pp

pu pp

pu pp

like the beginning (in 6)

Flu. 1 *pp*

Picc. *ppp*

Oba. 1 *ppp*

2 *ppp*

E♭ Cl. 1 *ppp*

2 *ppp*

B♭ Cl. 1 *ppp*

2 *ppp*

A. Cl. *ppp*

E♭ Ch. Cl. *ppp*

B. Cl. *ppp*

B♭ Ch. Cl. *ppp*

Bar. 1 *pp*

2 *pp*

Chan. *pp*

A. Sax. 1 *ppp*

2 *ppp*

T. Sax. *ppp*

Bar. Sax. *ppp*

like the beginning (in 6)

Hrn. 1 *pp*

2 *pp*

3 *pp*

4 *pp*

Tpts. 1 *ppp*

2 *ppp*

3 *ppp*

Corn. 1 *ppp*

2 *ppp*

Trbn. 1 *pp*

2 *pp*

3 *pp*

Bar. *pp*

Tuba *pp*

St. B. *pp*

Timp. *pp*

Bells *p* rubber mallets

Harp *pp*

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