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### PROGRAMME

WOLFGANG AMADEUS MOZART (1756 - 1791)

"LA CLEMENZA DI TITO"

K. V. 621 — OVERTURE

"La Clemenza di Tito", Mozart's last opera seria, written in the year of his death, never achieved real success although it contains some most beautiful music. The work is rarely performed as a whole, but the overture became well-known if not popular. As usually in his seria-type works and seria-type parts of works, Mozart stucked to the traditional form rather closely, in this case sonata form, unlike in his symphonies, were it is often handled quite freely. Still there is something out of the ordinary: in the recapitulation, the second subject is repeated before the first subject, which gives the short piece something well rounded and makes it rather suitable to be performed without the opera.

WOLFGANG AMADEUS MOZART

"SINFONIA CONCERTANTE"
IN E FLAT MAJOR FOR VIOLIN,
VIOLA AND ORCHESTRA K. V. 364

Allegro maestoso — Andante — Presto

The sinfonia concertante for Violin and Viola was probably written in 1779, soon after Mozart's return from Paris. He might have been motivated to write a work of this kind by hearing some specimens of the genre in Mannheim, where he stopped for a while on his way to and back from Paris. The "Mannheim School", the famous Carl and Johann Stamitz, Christias Cannabich and others, had developed this type of the Baroque Concerto Grosso. One of the especially remarkable things of this work is the use of two viola sections in the orchestra besides the usual two violin sections to match the balance between the solo instruments. This gives a dark, sonorous touch to the orchestral texture. It might be of interest that originally the solo viola was tuned a semitone higher and played in D Major to give it more tonal prominence. Nowadays this is usually not done any more.

INTERVAL

JOSEF MYSILVECEK 1737 - 1781 OCTET IN E FLAT FOR WIND INSTRUMENTS

Allegro maestoso — Larghetto un poco sostenuto — Tempo di Minuetto

Jozef Myslivecek a Czech composer of the early classical time, was born in 1737 near Prague and died in 1781 in Rome. He wrote some thirty Italian Operas, also symphonies and works for smaller instrumental ensembles and he was admired by Mozart for his melodious and inspired writing. In fact, some parts of the Octet performed could have been written by Mozart as well. Remarkable here also the tremendous difficulties in the horn parts which had to be managed on instruments without valves.

WOLFGANG AMADEUS MOZART

SERENADE IN D MAJOR

K.V. 320

"POSTHORN SERENADE"

Adagio maestoso, Allegro con spirito — MENUETTO Allegretto —

CONCERTANTE, Andante grazioso — RONDO, Allegro ma non troppo —

Andantino — MENUETTO — FINALE, Presto

The serenade K.V. 320 was written in 1779 and named Posthorn Serenade after the second *Trio* of its second *Menuetto*, where a Posthorn, a brass instruments without valves, is solistically used. The movements are grouped symmetrically around the central Rondo: fast, Minuet, slow, Rondo, slow, Minuet, fast. The fast corner-movements are relatively short, concise, mostly entrusted to the *Tutti* and so are the *Menuettos*, whilst the middle-movements and the *Trios* are more ample, with solo instruments (that's where the flutes come in) enjoying themselves in beautiful melodies. The contrast between these two styles of writing, one more symphony-like, the other more serenade-like, is most effective. With this in view it becomes obvious that the balance and symmetry of the piece absolutely forbid to omit one or several movements as it is often done because of the considerable duration.



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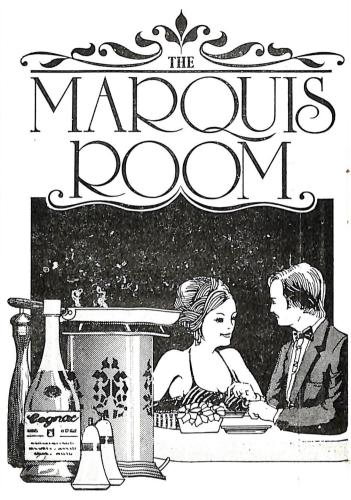
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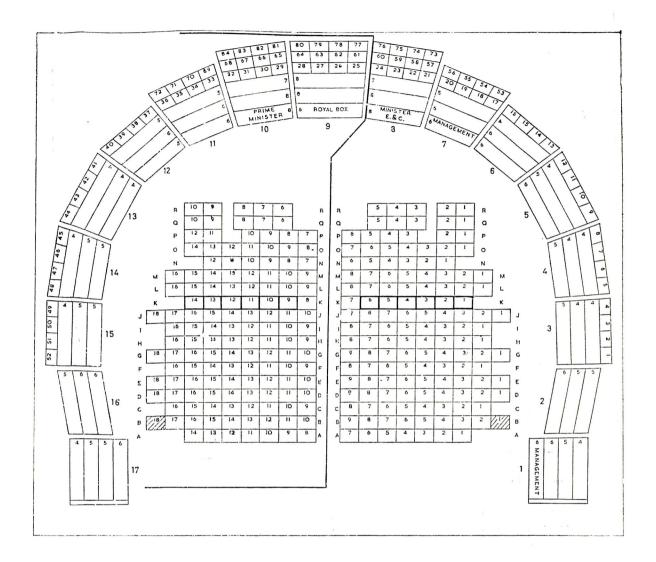
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