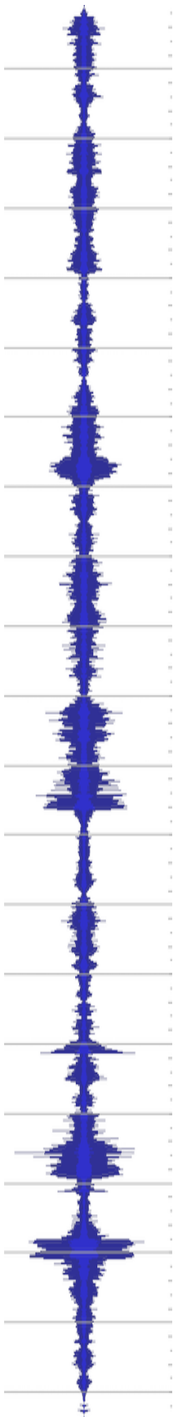

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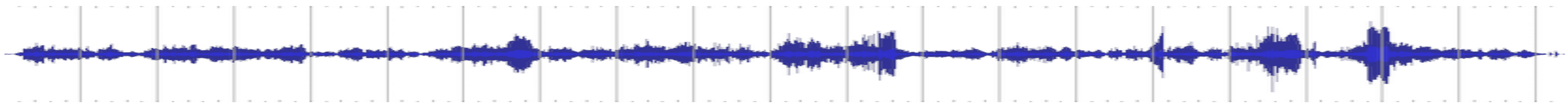
Crisp

For two pianos



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GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

Tempo marks are indicative, and strict metronomic adherence is not required. Accidentals only apply to the written octave; they are occasionally repeated within a measure to simplify reading. Use of Pedal is ad lib, unless specified in the score.

Duration: around 11'.

PROGRAM NOTES

Crisp is a single-movement composition for two pianos. Originally written in 2015 and revised in 2020. It opens with the highly recognizable theme of the piece: "crisp" and whimsical but with a hint of unsettlement . This is played by the first piano, while the second piano plays the second ("slow") theme of the piece in counterpoint. What follows is a relatively long section in which the crisp theme is developed, speeded up, overlapped with the slow theme while at the same time foreshadowing the dramatic development that will follow. At the end of the section the crisp theme is heard again but it breaks down, eventually supplanted by a third theme: a sequence of dramatic chords heard in the high register of the second piano. The composition evolves, playing on the contrast of character of the three themes and progressively speeding up and increasing its dramatic, almost tragic, content. Eventually we reach a climax merging the first and third themes. The crisp theme is shortly revisited and ends with a whisper; followed by a suddenly defiant statement.

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Crisp

Score

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Crisp ♩. = 80

Piano 1

Piano 2

P.1

P.2

A

B

P.1

P.2

40 45 50

f

f

53 55 60

mf

subito ***p***

pp

mf

C

P.1

P.2

64 65 70 75

p

p

>

♪=♪ (♩ = 120)

D

P.1

P.2

E

P.1

P.2

F

P.1

P.2

P.1

P.2

ff

ff

G

8va

ritardando

p

pp

P.1

P.2

p

. = 108

H

P.1

P.2

pp

8va

Tempo primo ♩. = 80

P.1

P.2

(8va)

153 155 160

p pp pp

153 155 160

165 170 175

P.1

P.2

165 170 175

pp p

178 180

accel.

f

178 180

f

I

𝅗𝅥 = 104

ff

185

ff

189 190 martellato 195 200

P.1

8va

P.2

189 190 195 200

sffz sffz sffz sffz sffz

204 205 210 215

J

P.1

8va

P.2

204 205 210 215

220 225 230

♩ = 132 8va

P.1

sffz p

P.2

220 225 230

sffz p

P.1

P.2

231

235

240

(8va)

p

mf

f

241

245

250

P.1

P.2

p

251

255

260

K

f

subito p

(♪=♪)

261 265 270

P.1

p

pp

261 265 270

P.2

pp

272 275 280

P.1

272 275 280

P.2

282 285 290

L

P.1

f

282 285 290

P.2

f

P.1

P.2

291

295

8va

300

305

M

f

mf

308

310

315

316 320

P.1

P.2

8va

p

N Più lento ♩ = 126

325 330

mf p

(8va)

335 340

pp subito f

8va

342 345

P.1

ff

342 345

P.2

ff

349 350 355

O

P.1

mf

8va

349 350 355

P.2

mf

357 360

P

P.1

f

357 360

P.2

f

P.1

P.2

365 370

365 370

374 375 380

Q 8va

ff

374 375 380

ff

(8va)

381 385

R

G.P.

381 385 8va

Più lento ♩ = 108

P.1

P.2

389 390 395 400

sempre ff f mf rit. p

8va

389 390 395 400

sempre ff subito f mf p pp

8va

♩. = 66 ♩ = 66

P.1

402 405 410

p f ff

8va

P.2

402 405 410

p ff

8va