

# **Georg Gerson**

(1790–1825)

## **Duett für Violine & Viola**

(Unfinished)

**G.32**

**Score**  
**(Contemporized)**

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Contemporized edition

Allegro ma non troppo

Georg Gerson (1790-1825)

Violino

Viola

*p*

*2*

*3*

*mf*

*mf*

*crescendo*

*tr* *tr*

*2*

*f* *ff*

*ff*

*p* *dolce*

*p*

*2*

1 2 3 4 5

32

A musical score page showing two staves. The top staff is treble clef, B-flat key signature, and common time. It features a melodic line with various note heads and stems. The bottom staff is bass clef, B-flat key signature, and common time. It shows a harmonic progression with chords and bass notes.

38

A musical score page showing two staves. The top staff is treble clef, B-flat key signature, and common time. It features a melodic line with eighth and sixteenth notes. The bottom staff is bass clef, B-flat key signature, and common time. It shows harmonic support with chords and bass notes.

43

A musical score page showing two staves. The top staff is treble clef, B-flat key signature, and common time. It features a melodic line with sustained notes and grace notes. The bottom staff is bass clef, B-flat key signature, and common time. It shows harmonic support with chords and bass notes.

46

A musical score page showing two staves. The top staff is treble clef, B-flat key signature, and common time. It features a melodic line with sustained notes and grace notes. The bottom staff is bass clef, B-flat key signature, and common time. It shows harmonic support with chords and bass notes.

49

A musical score page showing two staves. The top staff is treble clef, B-flat key signature, and common time. It features a melodic line with sustained notes and grace notes. The bottom staff is bass clef, B-flat key signature, and common time. It shows harmonic support with chords and bass notes. Dynamic markings include *f* and *ff*.

53

*dolce*

*p*

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59

A musical score page showing two staves. The top staff is treble clef, B-flat key signature, and common time. It features a melodic line with sustained notes and grace notes. The bottom staff is bass clef, B-flat key signature, and common time. It shows harmonic support with chords and bass notes. A measure number 4 is indicated below the bass staff.

64

cresc

f

dimin

cresc

f

dimin

69

1

2

mf

8

73

8

f

77

2

3

tr.

81

p

cresc

f

1

87

decrescendo

2

2

f

3

f

92

p

cresc 4

mf

*o*

97

p

dolce

102

107

p

cresc

cresc

112

pf

f

pp

pp

117

p

*cresc.*

123

128

133

137

141

*dolce*

*p*

147

*dolce*

*p*

153

2  
4

159

163

167

171

177

181

*f*

185

*2*

189

*p* *f*

195

[1.]

*d e c r e s c*

[2.]

*ff* *p*

*dolce*

198

*p*

204

*calando*

*ppp*

*calando*

*8*

# Menuetto in Canone

Allegretto

211

3/4 time signature, key signature of two flats. The piano part consists of two staves. The top staff starts with a dotted quarter note followed by eighth notes. The bottom staff starts with a dotted quarter note followed by eighth notes. The tempo is Allegretto, dynamic Sempre mezza forte.

10

3/4 time signature, key signature of two flats. The piano part consists of two staves. The top staff starts with a dotted quarter note followed by eighth notes. The bottom staff starts with a dotted quarter note followed by eighth notes. The tempo is Allegretto, dynamic Sempre mezza forte.

19

3/4 time signature, key signature of two flats. The piano part consists of two staves. The top staff starts with a dotted quarter note followed by eighth notes. The bottom staff starts with a dotted quarter note followed by eighth notes. The tempo is Allegretto, dynamic Sempre mezza forte.

Trio

29

3/4 time signature, key signature of one flat. The piano part consists of two staves. The top staff starts with a dotted quarter note followed by eighth notes. The bottom staff starts with a dotted quarter note followed by eighth notes. The tempo is Allegretto, dynamic Sempre mezza forte.

39

3/4 time signature, key signature of one flat. The piano part consists of two staves. The top staff starts with a dotted quarter note followed by eighth notes. The bottom staff starts with a dotted quarter note followed by eighth notes. The tempo is Allegretto, dynamic Sempre mezza forte.

49

3/4 time signature, key signature of one flat. The piano part consists of two staves. The top staff starts with a dotted quarter note followed by eighth notes. The bottom staff starts with a dotted quarter note followed by eighth notes. The tempo is Allegretto, dynamic Sempre mezza forte.

## Menuetto

Musical score for the Menuetto section, starting at measure 60. The key signature is B-flat major (two flats). The music consists of two staves: treble and bass. Measure 60 begins with a forte dynamic. Measures 61 and 62 show eighth-note patterns with grace notes. Measure 63 starts with a repeat sign and two endings: ending 1 leads to a forte dynamic, and ending 2 leads to a piano dynamic.

Musical score for the Menuetto section, starting at measure 68. The key signature changes to A-flat major (three flats). The music continues with eighth-note patterns and grace notes, maintaining the two-staff format (treble and bass).

Musical score for the Menuetto section, starting at measure 77. The key signature changes back to B-flat major (two flats). The music continues with eighth-note patterns and grace notes, maintaining the two-staff format (treble and bass).

Musical score for the Menuetto section, starting at measure 87. The key signature changes to G major (no sharps or flats). The music continues with eighth-note patterns and grace notes, maintaining the two-staff format (treble and bass).

## Critical notes

This score is the first modern edition of an unfinished piece, “Duett für Violino & Viola”, G.32 by the Danish composer Georg Gerson (1790-1825). The duetto is composed in Tönning (near Hamburg) September 2, 1809

The source is:

*MS* “Partiturer No. 1”, “George Gersons samling: mu 7105.0963 C II, 6b”, a collection of manuscript scores by Gerson preserved at the Royal Library of Copenhagen, Denmark. The duetto is found on pp. 115–119.

According to Gerson’s preface to his own thematic catalogue, (“Verzeichniss über Zwei Hundert meiner Compositionen”, “George Gersons samling: C II, 6 b mu 7105.0962”) the duetto was written for a person named “Kleinschmidt”<sup>1</sup> and himself. In the catalogue entry for the piece “[Mad]me Goldschmidt”<sup>2</sup> is listed as performer.

In his manuscripts Gerson made use of various shorthand notations like slashed notes representing repeated notes. Such notation types are also found in music prints from that period like Gerson’s string quartet no. 5 (G.63) published as part books 1826. The full score of this modern edition comes in two versions: a score keeping as close as possible to the original notation and an alternative, ‘contemporized’ score expanding the shorthand notations. In the contemporized scores the beaming of vocal staves has been adapted to modern practices. Separate parts are contemporized as well.

Performance indications added by the editor are enclosed within brackets.

### Allegro ma non troppo

Bar No.	Part	Note No.	Comment
38	Vla	1	No accidental ♯ in <i>MS</i> .
47,48	Vl	4	No accidental ♯ in <i>MS</i> .
56	Vla	5	No accidental ♯ in <i>MS</i> .
62	Vla	1	No accidental ♯ in <i>MS</i> .

### Menuetto in Canone

Bar No.	Part	Note No.	Comment
22	Vla	1	No accidental ♯ in <i>MS</i> .
86	Vl	1	No accidental ♯ in <i>MS</i> .

<sup>1</sup> Maybe the same ‘Mr. Kleinschmidt from Hamburg’ listed as viola player at the first Northern German Music Festival in Lübeck 1840, see August Gathy, *Erinnerungen an das erste Norddeutsche Musikfest zu Lübeck*, Hamburg 1840

<sup>2</sup> Most likely Gerson’s sister, Rose Goldschmidt, née Gerson (1795–1869).