Chopstix Variations

For Orchestra With Optional Piano Solo

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INSTRUMENTATION

- 1 Conductor
- 1 Solo Piano
- 2 C Flute
- 2 Oboe
- 1 1st B♭ Clarinet
- 1 2nd B Clarinet
- 2 Bassoon
- 4 Horn in F
- 1 1st B♭Trumpet
- 1 2nd Bl Trumpet

- 3 Trombone
- 1 Tuba
- 3 Percussion I (Suspended Cymbal, Claves, Maracas, Shaker)
- 1 Percussion II (Drum Set)
- 2 Percussion III (Timpani, Bongos, Cowbell)

- 1st Violin
- 8 2nd Violin
- 8 3rd Violin (Viola T.C.)
- 5 Viola
- 5 Cello
- String Bass

PROGRAM NOTES

Likely the first tune many of us learned to play on the piano, "Chopstix" is featured here in a clever set of variations for orchestra. The solo part is quite demanding and requires a tremendous amount of dexterity in at least two fingers. From the waltzes of Vienna to the rumba and a contemporary style rock variation with a hint of Beethoven thrown in for good measure, this piece is truly a musical marvel!

NOTES TO THE CONDUCTOR

The piano solo part is cued in various instruments and/or can be played on either xylophone or marimba. The best performance, however, would be with a piano soloist, faculty member, football coach, or principal with a good sense of humor. Enjoy!





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