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ABSTRACTS

Beverly Lewis Parker: Direct Shifting and Mixed Shifting: Important Contrapuntal Techniques or Taneev's Oddities?

Vertical, direct, and mixed shifting are three musical concepts discussed by Sergej Ivanovic Taneev, and scholars have addressed these concepts from different viewpoints. The term positive direct shift should be used for a shift in which melodies move farther apart, and negative direct shift for melodies that move closer together. A mixed shift involves a vertical shift that includes both contrapuntal inversion and direct shifts. The motets of Montpellier MS H196 (F-MO H196) contain numerous examples of direct and mixed shifting.

Virginia Fortescue: The Unknown Chopin An Alternative to the Cadenza of the Nocturne Op. 9 no. 2

A comparison of Chopin's alterations in the Schlesinger and Polish complete editions, and in a copy owned by his student Zofia Rozengardt confirms the belief that Chopin seldom played his compositions exactly the same.

Albertus J. J. Troskie: Styleienskappe in die koorwerke van Max Reger

Max Reger achieves unity in his works through the employment of cyclic themes. His preference for homophonic textures follows the tradition of Schumann, Brahms, and Wolf. Reger prefers 19th-century poetry, and his chromatic and harmonic techniques illustrate musical symbolism and tone painting.