

CARL VINE

Five Bagatelles

FOR SOLO PIANO

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at the ABC Southbank Centre, Melbourne, on 14 December 1994

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PROGRAMME NOTE

The Australian National AIDS Trust asked me to play at their annual fundraising dinner in 1994. As I hadn't performed professionally since 1989 it was hard to think of a suitable work that would be both appropriate and easy enough for my dwindling keyboard skills. I decided it was simplest to write a short work just for the occasion, and *Threnody* was born. Having grown fond of the work, it seemed wasteful not to have a context in which it might be useful, so I made it into the last of this set of *Five Bagatelles*.

C.V.

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I

Darkly

♩ = 50

Measures 1-3 of Bagatelle I. The music is in 4/4 time, marked 'Darkly' with a tempo of ♩ = 50. The key signature has one sharp (F#). The right hand features a melody with triplets and an 8va-1 marking. The left hand provides a harmonic accompaniment with chords and single notes. A 'Cédez' instruction is present at the end of measure 3.

Measures 4-6 of Bagatelle I. Measure 4 begins with a 'Mouvt.' instruction. Measures 5 and 6 continue the piece with 'Cédez' markings and 'Mouvt.' instructions. Dynamics include *pp* and *p*. The 8va-1 marking is present in measure 6.

Measures 7-9 of Bagatelle I. Measure 7 starts with a 'rall.' instruction. Measure 8 has '(molto)' and '(Come sopra)' markings. Measure 9 has a 'Mouvt.' instruction. Dynamics include *p*, *ppp*, and *pp*. The 8va-1 marking is present in measure 9. A '(con pedale)' instruction is at the bottom of measure 7.

Measures 10-12 of Bagatelle I. Measures 10 and 11 have 'poco accel.' and 'rall.' markings. Measure 12 has a 'Piu mosso (♩ = 75)' instruction. Dynamics include *p* and *mf*. The 8va-1 marking is present in measure 12.

Measures 13-15 of Bagatelle I. Measure 13 has a 'C' marking. Measure 14 has a 'f' marking. Measure 15 has a 'C' marking. The 8va-1 marking is present in measure 14.