I ban Beethoben

Allegro für eine Spieluhr

WoO 33(3)

Set by Donald Williams

Together with a computerised performance

Note:

I have set the composer's original version here (see also my arrangement for recorders on free-scores.com). As the music was intended for mechanical performance, I thought it appropriate to add mp3 files of my computer's playing of the piece.

I have 'cheated' to the extent of adding some extra staccato marks to point up the rhythms (as in the first two full bars) throughout the piece. I have also added a (surely necessary) emphasis to the two chords in bar 81.

The music is surely intended for some sort of mechanical organ, rather than the bells (for which the music is clearly unsuitable) used in some of the versions available on the web. Dynamics were presumably not possible on the original mechanism; the piece seems to me to be adequate without any additions.

There are two mp3 files: one played on a "flute stop" and one on a more 'reedy' sound.

Set and realised by DFW, March 2012

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