

for Ralph Malfitano

Ralph's Inexpensive Caprice

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(1981)

fast, ♩ = ca. 100

for violin

1 *f* exact and swinging (always across three strings)

2

4

6 (*sempre f*)

8

10 *ff* ————— *p* delicate (*p*, delicately)

12

14 *f* suddenly

The score consists of six staves of music in treble clef. The first staff begins in 4/4 time with a tempo marking of 'fast, ♩ = ca. 100'. It features a series of sixteenth-note patterns with slurs and accents, marked with fingerings I, II, and III. The second staff continues this pattern with a dynamic marking of *f* and the instruction 'exact and swinging (always across three strings)'. The third staff shows a change in the rhythmic pattern. The fourth staff includes a key signature change to one sharp (F#) and a dynamic marking of *ff*. The fifth staff features a dynamic shift from *ff* to *p* delicate, with a *p* marking in parentheses and the instruction '(p, delicately)'. The sixth staff concludes with a dynamic marking of *f* suddenly and a key signature change to one flat (Bb).

16

17

con vibrato
p distant

19

21

f senza vibrato
mp
f

23

con vibrato
p distant but intense, dangerous
♩ = 76 or slower

27

f
(p)

29

sul tasto
p
con vibrato
sul ponticello
senza vibrato
sul tasto
p always

33

(senza vibrato)