Michael Haydn's

Der Coburger ADAPT. CHUCK MOON / ARR. JOSH TRENTADUE

Instrumentation:

- 8 Violin I
- 8 Violin II
- 5 Viola
- 5 Cello
- 5 Contrabass
- 1 Piano Reduction (opt.)
- 1 Timpani
- 2 Glockenspiel
- 2 Percussion 1: Snare Drum Bass Drum
- 2 Percussion 2: Triangle Crash Cymbals



About:

"Der Coburger" is a cavalry presentation march that is mostly attributed to Johann Michael Haydn. The exact time of origin and the actual author of the march are not known; it may have been composed by Haydn around 1792 or '93 as the "Josias-Coburg-Marsch" or "Koburger-Josias-Marsch", dedicated to Saalfeld and Friedrich Josias von Sachsen-Coburg. If the march in this form was not written by Michael Haydn, the origin of the dedication to Friedrich Josias is also unclear. The introductory trumpet bars of the Coburg are considered to be relatively certain to have come from Haydn - they are referred to as a national march in a catalog of works by Michael Haydn from 1814.

At the end of the 19th century, the Dresden musicologist Otto Schmid assumed that the Coburg March was composed by Haydn - at least, up to the trio. Achim Hofer saw a march from the 18th century as the archetype of the Coburg, which was compositionally reworked in the 19th century to adapt it to the "taste and style" of the time. In 1896, Theodor Kalkbrenner suspected a manuscript in the Royal House Library in Berlin to be the "Coburg March, for English Military Music" named "English version [...] as the original", dated around 1841. The march in the version known today may even have come from Prince Albert, in which the piece was often played in his honor, analogous to "God Save the Queen" for the Queen. Among other things, an orchestration of the march has at least survived from the reign of Queen Victoria.

"Der Coburger" is officially listed in the army march collection under AM I, 27. In Austria, the "Coburg Regimental March of the Imperial and Royal Galician Infantry Regiment - Prince Saxe-Coburg-Saalfeld, No. 57" was also known as the "Battalion March of the Tank Battalion 344 of the Bundeswehr" since December 1986 (the battalion would eventually dissolve by 1992). In the British Army, the Coburg was the regimental march of the 12th Royal Lancers and the 11th Hussars (or better known as Prince Albert's Own). After their dissolution, the march was used by the newly formed Royal Hussars, formed in 1969. Today, "Der Coburger" is still used in the UK armed forces as a regimental march by the King's Royal Hussars, formed in 1992.

DURATION: 3'05"



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March for String Orchestra & Percussion

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