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SCHOENBERG: Five Pieces for Orchestra

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In 1933, Schoenberg transcribed for cello a harpsichord concerto by the baroque composer Matthias Monn (1717-50). He dedicated his arrangement to Pablo Casals, whom he had met in Vienna, but Casals considered it too demanding. It was later premièred instead by Emmanuel Feuermann in London. Of the *Five Orchestral Pieces*, Schoenberg wrote: 'Art belongs to the unconscious. One must express oneself directly.' Brahms's *Piano Quartet in G minor* of 1863 attracted Schoenberg, who had played it as violist and cellist, and who felt that the piano dominated the work at the expense of the strings. His transcription is a feast for orchestra.

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Arnold SCHOENBERG

(1874-1951)

Five Pieces for Orchestra, Op. 16 (1909)¹	16:50	7 Andante, alla Marcia	4:53
1 (Premonitions)	2:15	8 Tempo di Minuetto	5:14
2 (The Past)	5:17	Brahms, orch. Schoenberg:	
3 (Chord-Colours)	3:11	Piano Quartet in G minor,	
4 (Peripeteia)	2:10	Op. 25 (1937)³	42:55
5 (The Obligato Recitative)	3:57	9 Allegro	13:55
Cello Concerto		10 Intermezzo: Allegro	
(After G.M. Monn) (1932)²	17:11	ma non troppo	9:09
6 Allegro moderato	7:04	11 Andante con moto	11:00
		12 Rondo alla zingarese: Presto	8:51

Fred Sherry, Cello² • London Symphony Orchestra¹
Philharmonia Orchestra^{2,3} • Robert Craft

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