



JAN  
VAN BOOM  
1807-1872

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Introduction et variations  
För piano/*for piano*  
Opus 7

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# INTRODUCTION.

J. van Boom, Op. 7.

Molto lento.

Musical score for piano introduction, Molto lento. The score consists of two staves. The top staff is in common time (C) and features dynamic markings ff, p, pp, and rallent. The bottom staff is in common time (C) and includes dynamic f, ten., marcato, brillante, and loco. Measures 6 through 8 are shown.

Adagio non troppo.

Musical score for piano introduction, Adagio non troppo. The score consists of two staves. The top staff includes dynamic rit., ritenuto, rallent., con espressione, and rit. The bottom staff includes dynamic f, p, and f.

Musical score for piano introduction, Adagio non troppo continuation. The score consists of two staves. The top staff includes dynamic dim. The bottom staff includes dynamic f, p, and f.

Musical score for piano introduction, final section. The score consists of two staves. The top staff includes dynamic f, p, and f. The bottom staff includes dynamic f, p, and f.

15 *p rit.*

16 *pp pp loco*

19 *ff ff ff ff*

22 *p*

26 *acce - - - le*

28 *f ran ff do p*

**Allegro vivo.**

30

35

41 **Vivo.**

44

47

**Adagio.**

# THÈME.

4

**Andante.**

51

*p*

*con espress.*

*rit.*

54

*rit.*

58

*f*

*f*

62

*p*

*rit.*

*p*

66

*rit.*

# VARIATIONS.

**Animato.**

1.

69

*Agitato*



73

*f*

*ff*

*f*

*ff*



81

*mf*

*f*

*rit.*



*Ritornello*

*tempo*

*ff*

*ten.*

*ff*

*lento*

*ff*

*pesante*

*p*

*p*

*pp*

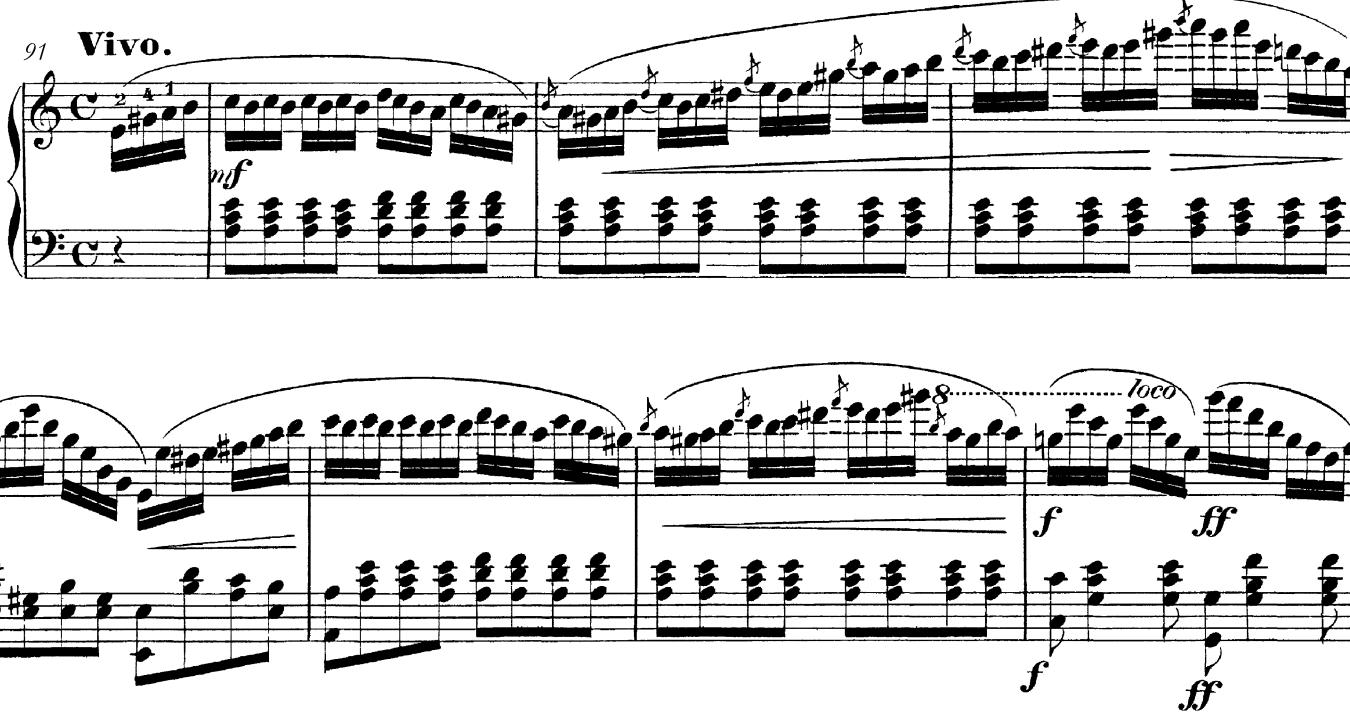
*p*

*pp*

*p*

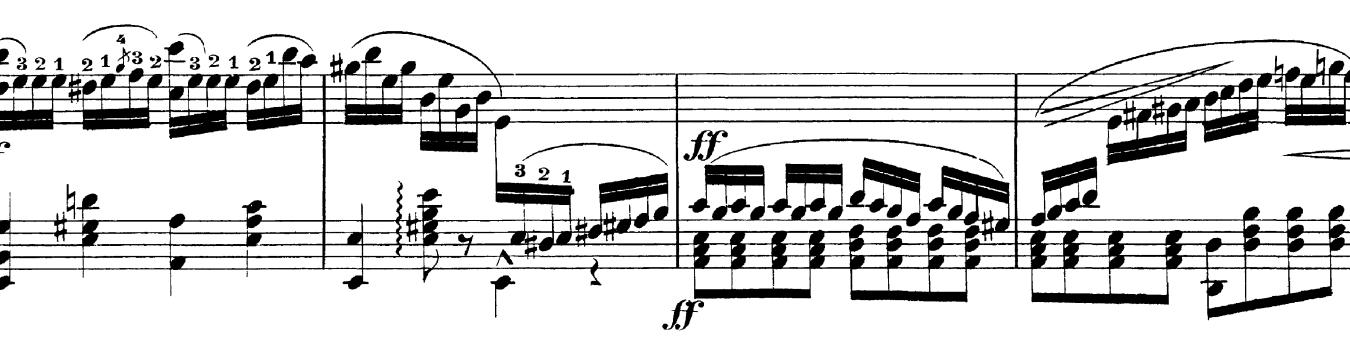
*rit.*

91 **Vivo.**

2. 

94 *loco*

98 

101 

105 *Ritornello*  
lento ff pesante  
*ben ten.*



**Adagio.**

3. 111 *p* *con express.* *pp*

8... *loco*

114 *leggieramente* *rall.* *sf*

*rall.*

117 *p* *loco* *ritard.*

118 *loco*

*ff*

*f* *brillante*

*ff* *pes.* *rall.*

*p*

*grazioso*

*p leggiero*

*rit.*

*rallentando*

*morendo* *V.S.*

**Allegro brillante.**

4.

127 C *marcato*

128 8..... *loco*

130 8..... *loco*

132

134 1 fois. 2 fois.

136      *f*

138      *ff marcato*

140

143      *loco*

145      *1 fois.*

*2 fois.*

Detailed description: The image shows five staves of a piano score. The top two staves are in treble clef, and the bottom two are in bass clef. Measure 136 starts with a forte dynamic (f) in the treble and bass staves. Measure 138 begins with a dynamic ff marcato. Measure 140 contains a single note in the bass staff. Measure 143 is preceded by a measure number 143 and a tempo marking loco. Measure 145 is divided into two sections: '1 fois.' and '2 fois.', each containing a melodic line. The music includes various dynamics like f, ff, and sforzando (sf), as well as performance instructions like marcato and loco. Measure 145 ends with a dynamic ff.

148

150

152

154

p

mf

156

158 ff

160 fz fz

162 *tranquillo* rit.

165 p p p p

169 *lentement.* rite - nu - to rit.

*Attacca il Polacca*

**POLACCA.****Tempo di Polacca.**

173

177

181

185

189

*2. fois.*

192                      *brillante* **f**

194                      8.....

196                      *loco*

198                      8..... *loco* **f**

200                      **p**

This musical score page contains five systems of music, each consisting of two staves (treble and bass). The key signature is A major (three sharps). Measure 192 starts with a forte dynamic (f) in the bass staff, followed by sixteenth-note patterns in both staves. Measure 193 shows sustained notes in the bass staff. Measure 194 begins with a forte dynamic (f) in the bass staff, followed by sixteenth-note patterns. Measure 195 shows sustained notes in the bass staff. Measure 196 begins with a forte dynamic (f) in the bass staff, followed by sixteenth-note patterns. Measure 197 shows sustained notes in the bass staff. Measure 198 begins with a forte dynamic (f) in the bass staff, followed by sixteenth-note patterns. Measure 199 shows sustained notes in the bass staff. Measure 200 begins with a piano dynamic (p) in the bass staff, followed by sixteenth-note patterns. The score includes performance instructions such as 'brillante' and dynamics like f and p.

202

204

mf

mf

206

f

f

sf

sf

208

ff

ff

210

ff

213 8. *loco*

216 *fz* *fz*

219 8. *loco*

222 *p* *leggiero*

225

A musical score for piano, featuring five staves of music. The score consists of two systems of measures.

**System 1:**

- Staff 1 (Treble):** Measure 228 starts with eighth-note pairs followed by sixteenth-note pairs. Measures 231-234 show a transition with dynamic markings: *f*, *fz*, *ff*, and *ff*.
- Staff 2 (Bass):** Measures 228-234 show sustained notes and chords.

**System 2:**

- Staff 1 (Treble):** Measures 237-241 feature eighth-note pairs and sixteenth-note pairs.
- Staff 2 (Bass):** Measures 237-241 show sustained notes and chords.

Dynamics and performance instructions include *cresc.*, *f*, *fz*, *ff*, and *p*.

A musical score for piano, featuring five staves of music. The score consists of two systems of measures, each starting with a treble clef and a key signature of three sharps (F major). Measure 244 starts with a dynamic of *rall.* (rallentando). Measure 248 begins with a dynamic of *f* (fortissimo). Measure 252 starts with a dynamic of *p* (pianissimo) and includes a ritardando instruction (*rit.*). Measure 256 ends with a dynamic of *p*. Measure 260 starts with a dynamic of *f* and includes a ritardando instruction (*riten.*). The music features various note heads, stems, and beams, with some notes having small crosses or dots indicating specific attack points. Measures 244-247 and 253-255 are grouped by a brace on the left side of the page.

263

*pp aussi vite que possible*

265

*8*

267

*loco*

269

*8 loco*

271

*8 loco*

Sheet music for piano, featuring five staves of musical notation. The music is in common time, with a key signature of two sharps. Measure numbers 273, 275, 277, 279, and 281 are indicated at the beginning of each staff. The notation includes various note heads, stems, and bar lines. Performance instructions such as "loco" (locally) and dynamics like "ff" (fortissimo) are included. The music concludes with a "Fine." at the end of the fifth staff.

273

275

277

279

281

*loco*

*loco*

*ff*

*ff*

*loco*

*ff*

Fine.

# Jan van Boom

När den unge holländaren Jan van Boom (1807–1872) bosatte sig i Stockholm i mitten av 1820-talet blev han ett viktigt tillskott till stadens musikliv. Han intog snart positionen som en av stadens prominenta pianister, var mångsidigt verksam som tonsättare och kom genom sin undervisningsverksamhet att utöva inflytande över musiker i yngre generationer. Efter att karriären som offentligt turnerande virtuos avslutats 1847 verkade han som pianolärare vid Musikaliska akademien undervisningsverk, sedermera Musikaliska akademien konservatorium, och undervisade där bland andra Hilda Thegerström, Ludvig Norman, Jakob Adolf Hägg, August Söderman och Richard Andersson.

Jan van Boom växte upp i en musikerfamilj. Både hans yngre bror Hermanus Marinus van Boom (1809–1883) och hans far Johannes van Boom (1783–1878) var flöjtister, den sistnämnde dessutom tonsättare samt sönernas förste musiklärare. Efter undervisningen hos fadern torde Jan van Boom ha studerat för Johann Nepomuk Hummel och Ignaz Moscheles, och längre fram (1843–46) utvecklade han sitt musikkunnande som kompositionselev hos Franz Berwald.

Räknat i antal verk ligger tyngdpunkten i van Booms produktion i pianomusiken. Hans komponerande täcker dock en rad olika genrer och i verklistan återfinns vid sidan om ett 50-tal pianostycken bland annat operan *Necken*, orkesterverk, kammarmusik, körstycken och sånger.

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Många av 1800-talets tonsättare, däribland Jan van Booms lärare Johann Nepomuk Hummel och Ignaz Moscheles, byggde sina karriärer på att kombinera verksamheter som tonsättare och virtuoser. De blev hyllade celebriteter i första hand för sina hisnande pianistiska färdigheter, vilket gjorde att kompositionerna ofta hamnade i bakgrunden. På samma sätt var det med Jan van Boom.

*Introduction et variations* står helt i samklang med smaken i den dåtida salongskulturen. Verket har ett ambitiöst upplägg med en för van Boom karakteristisk inledning, både dramatisk och flärdfull, följd av ett tema med variationer. Såväl stil som gester andas tidig Chopin och stycket avslutas därtill med en polacca.

Det är ett charmant virtuosnummer om än med seriös underton, en stil van Boom behärskade till fullo.

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Takt / System	Anmärkning
<i>Introduction. Molto lento.</i>	
19/undre	Fraseringsbåge saknas över de sista tre 8-delarna.
<i>Thème.</i>	
54–67/undre	Fraseringsbågar saknas ofta, men har applicerats enligt det mönster som framgår i takt 51–53.
66/övre	I T finns en handskriven variation för takten sista fyra 16-delar, antecknad: g2–f2–d2–h1.
	
<i>Adagio.</i>	
Upptakt till 111/övre	De inledande förslagsnoterna i adagiots upptakt är inritade efter publicering, okänt av vem.
113/undre	Fraseringsbåge saknas över de sista fyra 8-delarna.
<i>Allegro brillante.</i>	
152/övre	På fjärde slagets första 16-delsnot har T c2 istället för ciss2.
<i>Tempo di Polacca.</i>	
173–190/undre	I T har endast de fyra första takterna fraseringsbågar.

# Jan van Boom

When the young Dutchman Jan van Boom (1807–1872) settled in Stockholm in the mid-1820s, he became an important addition to the city's musical life. He soon took on a role as one of the city's prominent pianists, was a versatile composer and, through teaching, came to influence musicians of younger generations. After his public career as a virtuoso ended in 1847, he worked as a piano teacher at the Royal Swedish Academy of Music School, later the Royal Academy of Music Conservatory, where he taught Hilda Thegerström, Ludvig Norman, Jakob Adolf Hägg, August Söderman and Richard Andersson, amongst others.

van Boom grew up in a family of musicians. Both his younger brother Hermanus Marinus van Boom (1809–1883) and his father Johannes van Boom (1783–1878) were flautists; the latter was also a composer and his sons' first music teacher. After his education with his father, Jan van Boom is thought to have studied for Johann Nepomuk Hummel and Ignaz Moscheles, and later on (1843–46), he was a composition student of Franz Berwald.

The majority of van Boom's production was in piano music. However, his compositions cover a number of different genres, and in his opus, alongside some 50 piano pieces, one also finds the opera *Necken*, orchestral pieces, chamber music, choir pieces and songs.

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Many 19th century composers, amongst them Jan van Boom's teachers Johann Nepomuk Hummel and Ignaz Moscheles, built their careers on a combination of composition and virtuoso performance. Celebrated primarily for their breathtaking piano technique, they often found their compositions pushed into the background. The same was true for Jan van Boom.

*Introduction et variations* was wholly in keeping with the contemporary tastes of the salon. The piece is ambitious in structure with the kind of dramatic and ostentatious introduction so typical of Boom, followed by a theme with variations. Both style and gestures exude early Chopin; the piece even closes with a polacca.

It is a charming virtuoso number albeit with a serious undertone, a style of which Boom was the complete master.

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