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Fantasia on Aus tiefer Not

for Piano, four hands

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DUO Stephanie & Saar

Stephanie Ho and Saar Ahuvia, Pianists

Program Note

Completed in August 2017, this expansive single-movement work was inspired by DUO Stephanie & Saar's performance of Bach's chorale setting of *Aus tiefer Not schrei ich zu dir* ("From deep affliction I cry out to you") as arranged for piano four hands by György Kurtág. This work is intended as a sort of companion piece. After a grave opening, the work quickly intensifies with relentless motor momentum. The solemn, ancient chorale tune (originally attributed to Martin Luther) embodies fierce strength but gradually weakens, eventually reaching a placid state of solitude.

*From deep affliction I cry out to you,
Lord God, hear my call;
Incline your merciful ear to here me
And be open to my prayer!*

(Psalm 130)

Duration: ca. 14 minutes

(8) 190 *a niente* *mp* *calando* Subito ♩=55

194 *mp* *8va*

(8) 197 *poco rall.* *dim.* *n* *8va*