

“HE WAS THE MUSICIAN AS
OLD TESTAMENT PROPHET,
WHOSE SPEECH WAS THUNDER AND
WHOSE GLANCE LIGHTNING,
WHOSE VERY PRESENCE PROCLAIMED
THE DIVINE FIRE BY WHICH,
ON OCCASION, A BYSTANDER MIGHT
FEEL HIMSELF SCORCHED.”

Yehudi Menuhin, “*Unfinished Journey*”



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ERNEST BLOCH 1880 - 1959

2030 marks the Sesquicentennial of Ernest Bloch's birth in Geneva, Switzerland.

Plans are now underway to celebrate this important anniversary.

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IN
NATURE'S
UNIVERSITY

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Chronological List of Ernest Bloch's Compositions

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The years shown indicate date of completion, not date of publication.

Within each year, works are listed in alphabetical order.

*Unpublished work – manuscript extant. - **Unpublished - manuscript lost.

- 1895 *Andante sur un air folklorique suisse, string quartet
*Symphonie Funèbre in D minor, orchestra (piano reduction)
- 1896 *Pastorale pour piano
*String Quartet
*Symphonie Orientale, orchestra, Part 1: Prière - Caravane en Marche -
Intermezzo: L'Oasis – Cérémonie Funèbre
**Symphonie Orientale, Part 2
- 1897 **Berceuse in D flat Major, piano
**Conte Badin pour piano
*Fantaisie pour violon et piano
*Inventions à deux, trios et quatre voix pour piano ou orgue
*Invention à quatre voix pour piano ou orgue
*Larmes d'Automne pour piano et chant (contralto)
*Le Saule pour piano et chant (tenor)
*Meditation (Aria) pour violon et orgue
*Musette pour piano et chant (soprano)
*Regrets pour piano
*Sonata pour piano et violoncelle
- 1898 *Fantaisie-Lied pour violon et piano
*Là-Bas: Mélodie pour piano et chant (mezzo-soprano)
*Lied pour piano
*Orientale pour grande orchestre
*Poème Concertante pour violon et orchestre (reduction for violin and piano;
forerunner of Violin Concerto, 1899, q.v.)
*Pres de la Mer: Mélodie pour mezzo-soprano (and piano)
*Sérénade: Morceau pour violon et piano
- 1899 *Concerto pour violon et orchestre (reduction for violin and piano; revised version
of Poème Concertante, 1898 q.v.)
*Danses Populaires Suisses pour orchestre (incomplete)
*Menuet pour piano
**Prélude pour orchestre
- 1900 *Lied: C'est le Temps d'Hiver, mezzo-soprano and piano
*Lied: C'est un Air Lointain, mezzo-soprano and piano
*Lied Printanier, voice and piano
*Poème Exotique, orchestra
*Vivre-Aimer: Poème Symphonique pour Grande Orchestre
- 1902 **Concerto pour violoncelle et orchestre
- 1903 **Elfes et Scherzando pour piano
Ex Voto, piano (Broude)
Historiettes au Crépuscule: Légende – Les Fleurs – Ronde – Complainte, mezzo-
soprano and piano (Eschig)
**Les Sataniques pour orchestre
*Lied "Ce sera la candeur des lys...", voice and piano
**Quintette pour Cordes et Piano
Symphony in C sharp minor for Large Orchestra (Leuckart/Eulenburg)
*Vieille Ballade, voice and piano
- 1904 *Minute, voice and piano
*O Fatigue de Vivre, voice and piano
*Tes Guêtres, Ton Bâton, Ton Sac, voice and piano
- 1905 Hiver-Printemps (Winter-Spring): Two Symphonic Poems (Schirmer)
- 1906 Poèmes d'Automne: La Vagabonde – L'Abri – Le Déclin – Invocation, for mezzo-
soprano and piano or orchestra (Schirmer)
- 1909 Macbeth: Lyric Drama in Seven Scenes, solo voices, mixed chorus, orchestra or
piano (Astruc, Enoch, Polyphon, Suvini Zerbini, Messaggerie Musicali) (see
1938)
- 1913 Trois Poèmes Juifs pour grande orchestre (Schirmer)
- 1914 Prélude et Deux Psaumes (137 et 114), soprano and orchestra or piano (Schirmer)
Psaume 22, for baritone or alto and orchestra or piano (Schirmer)
- 1916 Israel Symphony, for orchestra and five solo voices (Schirmer)
Schelomo - Hebrew Rhapsody for violoncello and orchestra or piano (Schirmer)
String Quartet No. 1 (Hebrew Quartet) (Schirmer)
- 1918 *Jézabel – Biblical opera (incomplete)
- 1919 Suite for viola and piano (Schirmer)
- 1920 Suite for viola and orchestra, also cello and piano (Schirmer)
Sonata No. 1 for violin and piano (Schirmer)
- 1921 *Jeremiah – A Poem for piano and orchestra
- 1922 *Four Circus Pieces: The Two "Burlingham" Brothers – Dialogue and Dance of
the Heavyweight and the Dwarf – The Homeliest Woman (ou L'Invitation à la
valse) – The Clown, for piano
In the Night – A Love Poem, orchestra or piano (Schirmer)
Poems of the Sea: Waves – Chanty – At Sea, piano or orchestra (Schirmer)
- 1923 Baal Shem Suite – Three Pictures of Chassidic Life: Vidui - Nigun – Simchas
Torah, violin and piano (Fischer) (see 1939 and 1947)
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- *Danse Sacrée, piano
- 1923 *Enfantes: Ten Pieces for Children*, piano (Fischer)
Five Sketches in Sepia: Prélude – Fumées sur la ville – Lucioles – Incertitude –
Epilogue, piano (Schirmer)
Mélodie: violin and piano (Fischer)
Night, string quartet (Fischer)
Nirvana: Poem for Piano (Schirmer)
Paysages (Landscapes) – Three Pieces for String Quartet: North – Alpestre –
Tongataboo (Fischer)
Piano Quintet No. 1 (Schirmer)
- 1924 From Jewish Life: Three Sketches for Violoncello and Piano (also with orchestra);
Prayer - Supplication - Jewish Song (Fischer)
In the Mountains (Haute-Savoie): Two Sketches for String Quartet: Dusk – Rustic
Dance (Fischer)
Méditation Hébraïque: cello and piano (Fischer)
Nuit Exotique: violin and piano (Fischer)
Poème Mystique (Sonata No. 2): violin and piano (earlier title: Utopia) (Leuckart)
Three Nocturnes for Violin, Cello and Piano (Fischer)
- 1925 Concerto Grosso No. 1 for string orchestra and piano obbligato: Prelude – Dirge –
Pastorale and Rustic Dances – Fugue (Broude) (see also Dirge, 1950)
Prélude (Recueillement): string quartet (Fischer) (see also 1946)
- 1926 Four Episodes for Chamber Orchestra: Humoresque Macabre – Obsession – Calm
– Chinese (Broude)
- 1927 America - An Epic Rhapsody for orchestra and chorus in Three Parts: 1620 – 1861-
1865 – 1926 (Broude)
- 1928 Abodah (God's Worship) – A Yom Kippur Melody: violin and piano (Fischer)
(version with orchestra 1981)
- 1929 Helvetia - The Land of Mountains and Its People: A Symphonic Fresco for
Orchestra (with chorus: 1956) (Broude); also *unpublished versions for two
pianos; previous title: Symphony No. 2: La Montagne
- 1933 Sacred Service (Avodath Hakodesh) for Baritone Cantor, Mixed Chorus (with
soprano, alto, baritone soloists) and Orchestra (or piano and organ) (Broude/
Carisch)
- 1935 Piano Sonata (Carisch)
- 1936 Voice in the Wilderness: orchestra (or piano) and cello obbligato (Schirmer)
Visions et Prophéties: piano (extracted from Voice in the Wilderness) (Schirmer)
- 1937 Evocations - Symphonic Suite: Contemplation – Houang Ti (God of War) –
Renouveau (Schirmer); also for two-pianos
- 1938 Concerto for Violin and Orchestra (or piano) (Boosey & Hawkes)
Macbeth: Deux Interludes Symphoniques, from First and Third Acts (Polyphon,
Suvini Zerbini) (see 1909)
- 1939 Baal Shem Suite, violin and orchestra (Fischer) (see 1923 and 1947)
- 1944 Suite Symphonique for Orchestra: Overture – Passacaglia – Finale (Boosey &
Hawkes)
*Variation No. 10: Solenne, from Variations on an Original Theme by Eugène
Goossens by Ten American Composers
- 1945 String Quartet No. 2 (Boosey & Hawkes)
- 1946 Prélude (Recueillement): organ (Fischer) (see also 1925)
- 1947 Nigun, from Baal Shem Suite, cello and piano (see 1923 and 1939) (Fischer)
- 1948 Concerto Symphonique for Piano and Orchestra (or two pianos) (Boosey &
Hawkes)
Scherzo Fantasque for Piano and Orchestra (or two pianos) (Schirmer)
- 1950 Concertino for Flute, Viola (or clarinet) and String Orchestra (or piano) (Schirmer)
Dirge from Concerto Grosso No. 1: organ (Summy-Birchard)
Four Wedding Marches for Organ (Schirmer)
Six Preludes for Organ (Schirmer)
Two Pieces for String Quartet (1938 and 1950) (Broude)
- 1951 Cinq Pièces Hébraïques: see Suite Hébraïque and Two Pieces for viola and piano
(below) (Schirmer)
Suite Hébraïque for Viola or Violin, and Orchestra or Piano: Rapsodie –
Processional - Affirmation (Schirmer)
Two Pieces for Viola and Piano: Meditational and Processional (Schirmer)
- 1952 Concerto Grosso No. 2 for string orchestra and string quartet (Schirmer)
In Memoriam, for orchestra (Broude) (for organ: 1962)
Sinfonia Breve, for orchestra (Schirmer)
String Quartet No. 3 (Schirmer)
- 1953 String Quartet No. 4 (Schirmer)
- 1954 Symphony for Trombone or Violoncello and orchestra or piano (Broude)
- 1955 Proclamation for Trumpet and orchestra or piano (Broude)
Symphony in E flat major: orchestra (Schirmer)
- 1956 String Quartet No. 5 (Broude)
Suite Modale for flute and piano (Broude) (see 1957)
Unaccompanied Solo Suite No. 1 for Cello (Broude)
Unaccompanied Solo Suite No. 2 for Cello (Broude)
Piano Quintet No. 2 (Broude)
- 1957 Suite Modale for Flute and Strings (Broude) (see 1956)
Unaccompanied Solo Suite No. 3 for Cello (Broude)
- 1958 Two Last Poems (Maybe . . .) for Flute and Orchestra or Piano: Funeral Music –
Life again? . . . (Broude)
Unaccompanied Suite for Viola (unfinished) (Broude); with conclusion by David L.
Sills: 1989 (Broude)
Unaccompanied Solo Suite No. 1 for Violin (Broude)
Unaccompanied Solo Suite No. 2 for Violin (Broude)