

Intermezzo from Cavalleria Rusticana

Pietro Mascagni Arranged by David Marlatt

Pietro Mascagni (1863-1945) was discovered as a composer with his one-act opera *Cavalleria Rusticana*. Before writing this work he was a pianoforte teacher as well as manager of the municipal school of music. *Cavalleria Rusticana* was an instant success. It won first prize in a competition sponsored by a publisher who produced performances in a theatre in Rome. The popularity spread immediately and performances were demanded in Germany, England and France.

The *Intermezzo*, as the title suggests, is a short orchestra-only piece in the middle of this one-act opera.



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