Aria

Glen Gillis

Aria for saxophone and piano is taken from the slow lyrical section of Glen Gillis' larger work, Fantasia (2014) for alto saxophone and piano. The piece has a key center of D minor with a 4-bar phrase structure metered in 4/4 with episodes of 5/4 inserted to elongate the phrases. The introduction and brief Coda is scored for piano alone and the time should be performed freely. Even though the saxophone part has a tempo marking of a quarter note = 72 beats per minute, the phrases should have a degree of elasticity for the saxophonist to express this modal aria.

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Glen Gillis is Professor of Music (saxophone, conducting, music education) at the University of Saskatchewan and remains active as a clinician/adjudicator for solo/ensemble festivals/workshops as well as conducting honour ensembles. He holds a Bachelor of Music in Music Education degree from the University of Saskatchewan, a Master of Music degree from Northwestern University, and a Ph.D. from the University of Missouri. Dr. Gillis has written many articles and has presented at several international conferences such as the Midwest Clinic, WASBE, CBDNA, TMEA, and the British Forum for Ethnomusicology. Dr. Gillis is a *Conn-Selmer* Saxophone Artist/Clinician and has performed in North America, Europe, and China as well as over thirty conferences such as the World Saxophone Congresses, the North American Saxophone Alliance Biennial and Regional Conferences, and the Saxophone Symposium. He released *SaxSpectrum* (2009) and *SaxSpectrum* 2 (2014) through MSR Classics (with a third album to be released in 2020) performing many of his compositions, all world premiere recordings. These compositions, plus his works for band, are published through *Eighth Note Publications*.

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