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BELA BARTOK
FIRST VIOLIN CONCERTO

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In 1907-08 Bartók wrote a violin concerto for Stefi Geyer, the Hungarian violinist. He gave her the manuscript and Stefi Geyer kept it until her death. The work consists of a slow first and an extensive second movement and marks an important stage in Bartók’s development.

The concerto was first performed in Basel on the 30th May, 1958, with Hans Heinz Schneeberger as soloist, conducted by Paul Sacher.

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