The Fantasias of Valentin [Bálint] Bakfark (1507-1576)

- 1. Bakfark Intabulatura [Lyons lute book'] 1553, ff. 2v-4r Recercate Valentini Bacfarc transilvani Coronensis (Homolya & Benko I/1) Bakfark Premier Livre de Tabelature de Luth 1564, ff. 2r-3r/sig. A2r Fantasie Phalèse Thesaurus Musicus 1574, ff. 13r-14v Fantasie Bacfarc
- Bakfark 1553, ff. 4r-6r Recercate Valentini Bacfarc transilvani Coronensis (Homolya & Benko I/2)
 Bakfark 1564, ff. 3v-5v/sig A3v Fantasie
 Phalèse Luculentum Theatrum Musicum 1568 [Minkoff facsimile], ff. 9v-10r Fantasia
- 3. Bakfark 1553, ff. 6v-8r Recercate Valentini Bacfarc transilvanus Coronensis (Homolya & Benko I/3)
- 4. Bakfark 1553, ff. 8v-10v Recercate Valentini Bacfarc transilvanus Coronensis (Homolya & Benko I/4) Besard 1603 [Minkoff facsimile], ff. 22v-23r Fantasia Ioannis Bacfart Hungari
- 5. Bakfark Harmoniarum Musicarum ['Cracow lute book'] 1565, ff. 1r-1v Fantasia Trium Vocum (Homolya & Benko II/21) Bakfark Harmoniarum Musicarum 1569, pp. 2-5 Fantasia Trium Vocum Phalèse 1574, ff. 18r-19r Fantasie a3
- 6. Bakfark 1565, ff. 1v-3r Fantasia 4 Vocum (Homolya & Benko II/22)

Bakfark 1569, pp. 5-11 Fantasia 4 Vocum

PL-Kj Mus. 40598, ff. 23v-25r 20. Fantasia Valentini Backfarks polnisch Lautenist 4 Voc:

cf. Adriaenssen 1592 [Minkoff facsimile], f. 1r Fantasia Prima. [Bakfark bars 12 & 25, 62-63, 6-7 and 35-40 are concordant with Adriaenssen bars 11-15 & 17-22, identified by the Romanian lutenist Deák Andre in 2009 - personal communication!]

- Bakfark 1565, ff. 3r-5r Fantasia 4 Vocum (Homolya & Benko II/23)
 Bakfark 1569, pp. 11-19 Fantasia 4 Vocum
 PL-Kj 40598, ff. 25v-28r 21. Fantasia
- 8. PL-Kj 40598, ff. 7v-8r 5. Fantasia VB (Homolya & Benko III/33)

cf. vocal model Jacob Arcadelt RISM 1561³, f. 3r: intabulations in Belin *Premier Livre ... reduictz en Tabulature de Leut* 1556, sig. B4r *De mes annuys*; Phalèse & Bellère *Hortulus Citharae* 1570 [Tree facsimile], f. 89v *De mesa nui* [cittern]; Kargel Renovata Cythara 1578, sig. B1v *De me sanui* [cittern]

- 9. PL-Kj 40598, ff. 8v-9r 6. Fantasia VB (Homolya & Benko III/34)
- 10. PL-Kj 40598, ff. 21v-22r 18. Aliud Responsum vel Recercar super Rosignolet VB (Homolya & Benko III/5) A response to PL-Kj Mus.40598, ff. 20v-21r R[ecercar] 17 Fantasia super Rosignolet. M[elchior]N[eusidler]

Doubtful:

11a. D-DEl BB 12150 (Dessau), ff. 54v-55v Fantasia VB (not in Homolya & Benko) 11b. PL-Kj 40598, ff. 5v-6r 3. Fantasia

Notes:

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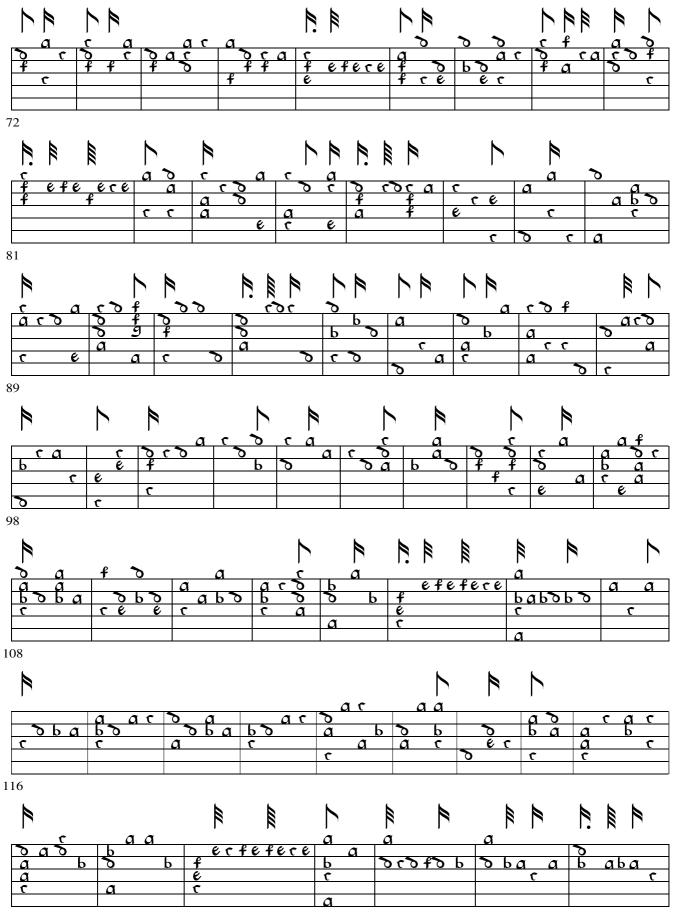
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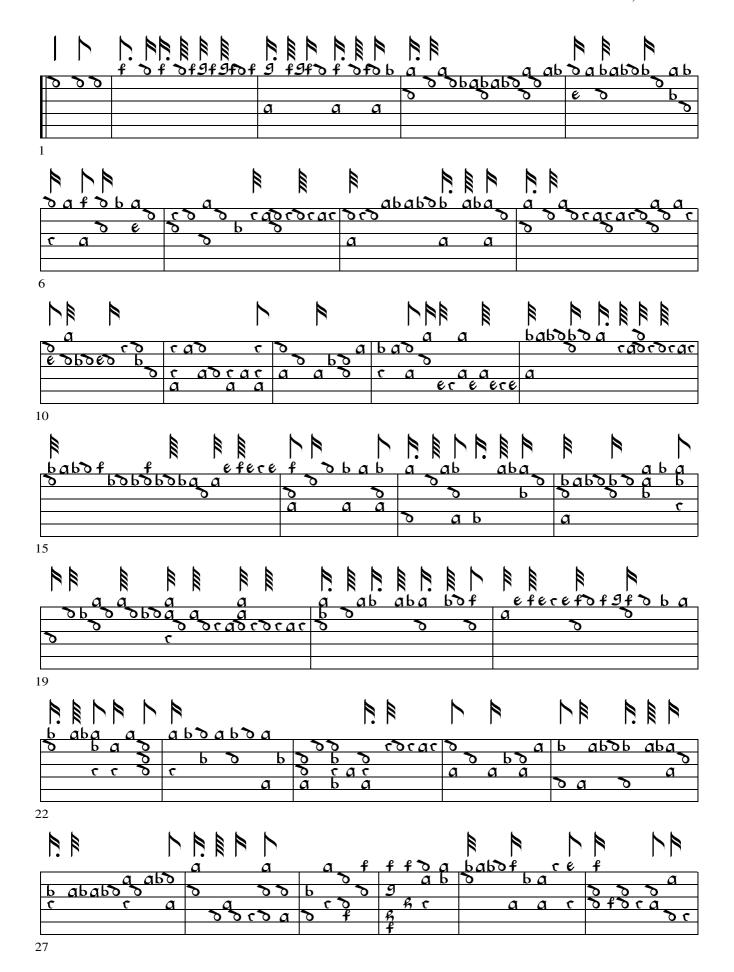
















7. Fantasia 4 Vocum

Bakfark 1565, ff. 3r-5r

