

Takakkaw Falls

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arranged for piano duet

From Wikipedia: Takakkaw Falls is a waterfall located in Yoho National Park, near Field, British Columbia. Its highest point is 384 m (1260 feet) from its base, making it the second-highest officially measured waterfall in western Canada, after Della Falls on Vancouver Island. However its true "free-fall" is only 254 m.

"Takakkaw" is derived from the Cree word for "it is magnificent". The falls are fed by the Daly Glacier which is part of the Waputik Icefield.

Composer's note: The title also provides the primary rhythm of the piece. Bars 3 and 4 are the answer to the question "What's it called?" "Takakkaw. Takakkaw Falls."

Allegro vivace ♩ = 140

Primo

Secondo

*leggiero
una corda*

mp

p

mf

mp

mf

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2
10

2
10

15

15

tre corde

20 *8va*

20

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25

f *mp* *f* *p*

3

30

mp *mf* *f*

35

8^{va}

ff *leggiere* *p*

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4
40

p

mf

1 5 2

44

44

47

47

6/4

6/4

6/4

6/4

1 3 4 2 4 3 5 1 3 2 4

The musical score is written for piano in a key of three flats (B-flat major or D-flat minor) and a 6/4 time signature. It consists of three systems of staves. The first system (measures 40-43) features a treble staff with chords and a bass staff with a melodic line. The second system (measures 44-46) continues the melodic and harmonic development. The third system (measures 47-50) concludes the piece with a final cadence. Dynamics include piano (*p*) and mezzo-forte (*mf*). Fingerings are indicated by numbers 1-5. The score ends with a 6/4 time signature change.

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50

f

legato

5 3 2

2 5

50

f

53

p

cantabile

4 5 3 1 2 5 3 2

5 4 2 3

53

p

57

3

4

5 4

57

2 5

Takakkaw Falls

6 *8va* -----

62 *f*

66 *p*

70

70

This musical score page for 'Takakkaw Falls' contains measures 62 through 70. It is written for a piano with a grand staff (treble and bass clefs) and includes an 8va line at the top. The key signature has two flats (B-flat and E-flat). Measures 62-65 are marked with a forte (*f*) dynamic. Measures 66-69 are marked with a piano (*p*) dynamic. The score features various musical notations including eighth notes, quarter notes, and chords. Fingerings are indicated by numbers 1-5. A trill is marked in measure 69. The 8va line has a dashed line with a comma at the end. The page ends with a double bar line and a repeat sign in measure 70.

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7

74

mf *f*

2 1 3 5 2 1 4 3 1 3 2 1 4

1 4

79

mf *f*

5 3

3 4

subito p

83

f *mf*

2 5

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8
87

8^{va}

2 5 2 1

91 (8^{va})

maestoso

ff *mf*

M.D.

5 2

4 3

4 3

95

95

5 2

4 3

100

100

105

105

110

8va--

mp

f

110

f

110

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10 (8va)

114

118

(8va)

122

(8va)

mp

ff