

Scherer, Georg Henrich, 4 key bassoon; Scherer2-O-Rijks

Complete Project Title: Scherer2-O-Rijks-Wg1-WOB-DNM

Georg Henrich Scherer (1703-1778) Butzbach

This bassoon can be attributed to Georg Henrich Scherer (son of Johannes Scherer) because of the number 2 above the "I Scherer" in the bassoon's stamp. See Young, Phillip. "The Scherers of Butzbach".

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Formally housed in the Gemeentemuseum, Den Haag and originally part of the Boers Collection

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Location: Rijksmuseum, Amsterdam, Netherlands

Rijksmuseum # BK-NM-11430-39;

Measured 3 July 2012

4 Key: Ab (on small bore)

Yes; Swallowtail F key touch

No; Two-piece saddle on F key flap and touch, all keys in wooden blocks

Yes; Two-hole boot joint system

No; Military bell

No; Bell flare

Yes; Bell crown

No; Tone hole in Bell

No; Bell chamber

Yes; Platform on long joint

No; Dates

Notes; 1. Bell not original

2. Made of maple

3. Springs on F and Ab keys shaped differently, flared to stay in wood blocks

4. Boot small very cylindrical

5. Dart Type 2c

6. Wing could have been cut to shorter length of tone holes, color of wood is different, see photos

Standing Height; Bell, long joint, boot 125.0cm

Wing and boot 94.0cm

Stamps: Wing, boot, long joint, [not found on bell, bell not original]
A number 2 above the "I Scherer", a lion rampant below.

Measurements not included on Data file

Ab tone hole 4.9mm diameter
330mm from boot joint socket
Drilled straight down

Boot joint small socket depth 50.2mm

Boot joint large socket depth 49.4mm

Cronin Meas. 381mm [verified 381mm]

Wing thickness across E [II] tone hole 36.6mm [wing narrow]