

# *Legende Opus No. 17*

**By: Henryk Wieniawski**

Légende Op. 17 is a piece by the Polish violin virtuoso Henryk Wieniawski. It is written for solo violin and an orchestral accompaniment. Though it is often performed using a piano accompaniment as a substitute for the orchestra, it is estimated to have been written in about 1860 although it's actual date is unknown.

Wieniawski's Légende was used as a tool in helping to secure his engagement to Isabella Hampton. Though Isabella's parents did not approve of their daughter's engagement to Wieniawski, after they heard the piece, they were so impressed that they offered the young couple their blessing, and they were married in 1860.