

Bounce!

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Program Note:

Bounce was composed for a time of celebration. The music does not follow the normal format of a piece for young string orchestra for it is about youthful exuberance and joy, not technical control and 'correctness'.

When asked to compose the work I thought of my four children who play or have played string instruments and how they moaned about not having anything interesting to play or never having the 'tune'. Here I have endeavoured to give all a chance to present their 'wares', to 'lead', to enjoy making music and to 'bounce'!

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