

# **Edward Elgar**

## **The Wand of Youth**

**(Music to a child's play)**

**First Suite Op. 1a**

**Overture**

**Serenade**

**Minuet (Old Style)**

**Sun Dance**

**Fairy Pipers**

**arranged for string quartet**

**by Steve Jones**

**Full score**

# Overture

**Allegro molto**

Violin 1

Violin 2

Viola

Cello

*sf p*

*f*

*sf p*

*f p*

*f p*

*sf*

*f*

*f*

Vln. 1

Vln. 2

Vla.

Vc.

*sf p*

*sf p*

*f p*

*f p*

Vln. 1

Vln. 2

Vla.

Vc.

*f*

*cantabile*

*sf*

*mp*

*f*

*cantabile*

*sf*

*mp*

*f*

*cantabile*

*sf*

*mp*

*pizz.*

*mf*

12

Vln. 1

Vln. 2

Vla.

Vc.

*ff sf ff p*

*arco f ff p*

17

Vln. 1

Vln. 2

Vla.

Vc.

*cresc. ff p*

*cresc. ff p*

*cresc. ff p*

*cresc. ff p*

21

Vln. 1

Vln. 2

Vla.

Vc.

*f f f*

24

Vln. 1

Vln. 2

Vla.

Vc.

*sf p*

*f*

*sf*

28

Vln. 1

Vln. 2

Vla.

Vc.

*f*

*sf*

31

Vln. 1

Vln. 2

Vla.

Vc.

*ff largamente*

*ff largamente*

*ff largamente*

*ff largamente*

34

Vln. 1

Vln. 2

Vla.

Vc.

*mf*

*ff*

*ffz*

39

*a tempo*

Vln. 1

Vln. 2

Vla.

Vc.

*pp*

*cresc. molto*

44

Vln. 1

Vln. 2

Vla.

Vc.

*sf*

*ff*

*sf*

47

Vln. 1

Vln. 2

Vla.

Vc.

51

Vln. 1

Vln. 2

Vla.

Vc.

# Serenade

Andantino

*dolce e semplice*

Violin 1  
Violin 2  
Viola  
Cello

*pp*  
*pp*  
*pizz.*  
*p*

*p*  
*pp*  
*pp*  
*p*

This system contains measures 1 through 8 of the score. The Violin 1 part is mostly silent until measure 5, where it begins with a melodic line marked *p*. The Violin 2, Viola, and Cello parts play a rhythmic accompaniment of eighth notes, with dynamics ranging from *pp* to *p*. The Viola part includes a *pizz.* (pizzicato) marking in measures 1-4.

Vln. 1  
Vln. 2  
Vla.  
Vc.

*pp*  
*p*  
*p*  
*p*

This system contains measures 9 through 17. The Violin 1 part continues its melodic line, marked *pp*. The Violin 2 part has a dynamic of *p*. The Viola part continues with a steady accompaniment, marked *p*. The Cello part also continues with a steady accompaniment, marked *p*.

Vln. 1  
Vln. 2  
Vla.  
Vc.

*cresc.*  
*cresc.*  
*cresc. arco*  
*cresc.*

*dim.*  
*dim.*  
*dim.*

This system contains measures 18 through 25. The Violin 1 part begins with a *cresc.* (crescendo) marking. The Violin 2 part also has a *cresc.* marking. The Viola part has a *cresc. arco* marking. The Cello part has a *cresc.* marking. All parts end with a *dim.* (diminuendo) marking in measure 25.

Serenade

26

Vln. 1 *pp*

Vln. 2

Vla. *p*  
*pp*

Vc. *pp*

34

Vln. 1 *mf* *p*

Vln. 2 *mf* *pp* *sul pont*

Vla. *mf* *pp*

Vc. *mf* *pp*

42

Vln. 1 *poco rit.* *a tempo*

Vln. 2 *poco rit.* *p<sub>naturale</sub>* *pp* *p*

Vla. *poco rit.* *p*

Vc. *poco rit.* *pp* *p*

Serenade

51

Vln. 1

Vln. 2

Vla.

Vc.

*pp*

*p*

*p*

*p*

*cresc.*

*cresc.*

*cresc.*

*cresc.*

59

Vln. 1

Vln. 2

Vla.

Vc.

*pp*

*dim.*

*dim.*

*dim.*

*pp*

*pp*

*pp*

67

Vln. 1

Vln. 2

Vla.

Vc.

*poco a poco rit.*

*poco a poco rit.*

*poco a poco rit.*

*poco a poco rit.*

*rit.*

*rit.*

*rit.*

*rit.*

*pizz.*

*pizz.*

# Minuet (Old Style)

Andante

Violin 1 *p* *pp* *tr*

Violin 2 *p* *pp*

Viola *p* *pp*

Cello *p* *pp*

Vln. 1 *f* *mf* *dim.* *tr*

Vln. 2 *f* *mf* *dim.*

Vla. *f* *mf* *dim.*

Vc. *f* *mf* *dim.*

Vln. 1 *p* *p* *f* *dim.*

Vln. 2 *p* *p* *f* *dim.*

Vla. *p* *p* *f* *dim.*

Vc. *p* *f* *dim.*

## Minuet (Old Style)

24

Vln. 1

Vln. 2

Vla.

Vc.

*cresc.*

*f*

*p*

*tr*

1.

2.

*pp* *piu lento*

*cresc.*

*f*

*p*

*tr*

1.

2.

*pp* *piu lento*

*cresc.*

*f*

*p*

1.

2.

*pp* *piu lento*

*cresc.*

*f*

*p*

1.

2.

*pp* *piu lento*

Detailed description: This system of musical notation covers measures 24 through 30. It features four staves: Violin 1 (Vln. 1), Violin 2 (Vln. 2), Viola (Vla.), and Violoncello (Vc.). The key signature is one sharp (F#). The score includes dynamic markings such as *cresc.*, *f*, *p*, and *pp*, along with performance instructions like *tr* (trill) and *pp piu lento*. A first and second ending are indicated by a double bar line with first and second endings. Measure 24 starts with a *cresc.* marking. Measures 25 and 26 show a transition from *f* to *p*. Measures 27 and 28 feature trills. The first ending leads to measure 29, and the second ending leads to measure 30, where the dynamics are *pp* and the tempo is *piu lento*.

31

Vln. 1

Vln. 2

Vla.

Vc.

*rit.*

*tr*

Detailed description: This system of musical notation covers measures 31 through 33. It features the same four staves as the previous system. The key signature remains one sharp (F#). Measure 31 begins with a *rit.* (ritardando) marking. Measures 32 and 33 include trills (*tr*) and fermatas. The notation is primarily composed of half notes and quarter notes with various articulations.

# Sun Dance

Presto

The musical score for "Sun Dance" is written for Violin 1, Violin 2, Viola, and Cello. It is marked "Presto" and consists of three systems of music.

- System 1 (Measures 1-6):**
  - Violin 1 & 2:** Play sixteenth-note patterns, starting with a forte (*f*) dynamic and transitioning to piano (*p*).
  - Viola:** Plays a melodic line with accents, starting *f* and moving to *p*.
  - Cello:** Provides a bass accompaniment, starting *p* and moving to *f*.
- System 2 (Measures 7-13):**
  - Violin 1 & 2:** Continue with similar patterns, including a key signature change to D major (indicated by a sharp sign) in measure 10.
  - Viola:** Continues the melodic line, including a *pizz.* (pizzicato) marking in measure 10.
  - Cello:** Continues the bass line, including an *arco* (arco) marking in measure 10.
- System 3 (Measures 14-17):**
  - Violin 1 & 2:** Play melodic fragments, with Violin 1 starting *f* in measure 14.
  - Viola:** Continues the melodic line, including an *arco* marking in measure 14.
  - Cello:** Continues the bass line, including a *pizz.* marking in measure 14.

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20

Vln. 1 *pp* *p* *pp*

Vln. 2 *pp* *p* *pp*

Vla. *pp* arco *p* *pp*

Vc. *pp* *p* *pp*

26

Vln. 1 *p* *pp*

Vln. 2 *p* *pp*

Vla. *p* *pp*

Vc. *p* *pp*

32

Vln. 1 *mf cantabile* *dim.* *p dolce*

Vln. 2 *mf* *dim.* *pp*

Vla. *mf* *dim.* *pp*

Vc. *mf* *dim.* *pp*

39

Vln. 1

Vln. 2

Vla.

Vc.

*cresc.*

*f*

*arco*

47

Vln. 1

Vln. 2

Vla.

Vc.

*dim.*

*pp*

*pp*

*pp*

54

Vln. 1

Vln. 2

Vla.

Vc.

*pp*

*pp*

*pp*

Sun Dance

61 *a tempo*

Vln. 1 *poco tenuto* *f* *p*

Vln. 2 *poco tenuto* *f* *p*

Vla. *pp* *poco tenuto* *f* *p* *pizz.*

Vc. *poco tenuto* *p*

67

Vln. 1 *f* *dim.* *p*

Vln. 2 *f* *p*

Vla. *f* *dim.* *arco* *p* *pizz.*

Vc. *f* *p*

73

Vln. 1 *pp* *poco tenuto*

Vln. 2 *pp* *poco tenuto*

Vla. *pp* *poco tenuto*

Vc. *arco* *pp* *poco tenuto*

79 *a tempo*

Vln. 1 *p* *pp* *poco tenuto* *p*

Vln. 2 *p* *pp* *poco tenuto* *p*

Vla. *p* *pp* *poco tenuto* *p*

Vc. *p* *pp* *poco tenuto* *p*

84 *a tempo*

Vln. 1 *pp* *poco tenuto* *f*

Vln. 2 *pp* *poco tenuto* *f*

Vla. *pp* *poco tenuto* *f*

Vc. *pp* *poco tenuto* *f*

91

Vln. 1 *p* *cresc.*

Vln. 2 *p* *cresc.*

Vla. *p* *cresc.*

Vc. *p* *cresc.* *p*

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99

Vln. 1

Vln. 2

Vla.

Vc.

*dim.*

*pp*

*pp*

*pp*

106

Vln. 1

Vln. 2

Vla.

Vc.

*pp*

*pp*

*pp*

113

Vln. 1

Vln. 2

Vla.

Vc.

*pp*

*pp*

*pp*

120

Vln. 1  
Vln. 2  
Vla.  
Vc.

*pp*

This system contains measures 120 through 126. It features four staves: Violin 1, Violin 2, Viola, and Violoncello. The music is in 3/4 time and begins with a key signature of one sharp (F#). The Violin parts play a melodic line with slurs and accents, while the Viola and Cello provide a rhythmic accompaniment. Dynamic markings of *pp* (pianissimo) are present in measures 124 and 125.

127

Vln. 1  
Vln. 2  
Vla.  
Vc.

*pp*

This system contains measures 127 through 132. The key signature changes to one flat (Bb). The Violin parts continue with their melodic lines, and the Viola and Cello maintain their accompaniment. Dynamic markings of *pp* are used throughout the system.

133

Vln. 1  
Vln. 2  
Vla.  
Vc.

*pp*

*mf pp*

This system contains measures 133 through 138. The key signature changes to two flats (Bb, Eb). The Violin parts play a melodic line with slurs and accents, while the Viola and Cello provide a rhythmic accompaniment. Dynamic markings of *pp* and *mf pp* are used throughout the system.

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139

Vln. 1

Vln. 2

Vla.

Vc.

*ff*

*ff*

*ff*

*ff*

*sf*

Detailed description: This system of music covers measures 139 to 145. It features four staves: Violin 1, Violin 2, Viola, and Violoncello. The Violin 1 and 2 parts are in treble clef, while the Viola and Violoncello parts are in bass clef. The music is marked with a forte dynamic (*ff*) throughout most of the system. The Violoncello part includes accents (>) and a fortissimo accent (*sf*) in measure 145. The Viola part has a natural sign in measure 145. The system concludes with a double bar line.

146

Vln. 1

Vln. 2

Vla.

Vc.

*sf*

*ff*

*ff*

*sf*

Detailed description: This system of music covers measures 146 to 152. It features the same four staves as the previous system. The music continues with various dynamics, including fortissimo (*ff*) and fortissimo accent (*sf*). The Violoncello part has a fortissimo accent (*sf*) in measure 147. The system concludes with a double bar line.

# Fairy Pipers

Allegretto

The musical score is arranged in three systems, each with four staves: Violin 1, Violin 2, Viola, and Cello. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 6/8. The first system (measures 1-4) features a Viola part with a *ppp* dynamic and a Cello part with *p*, *dim.*, and *pp* dynamics. The second system (measures 5-8) includes performance markings such as *espress.*, *accel.*, *ten.*, and *a tempo*, along with *p* dynamics. The third system (measures 9-12) continues with similar performance markings and dynamics. The Viola and Cello parts are characterized by triplet patterns, while the Violin parts feature melodic lines with slurs and accents.

Fairy Pipers

13

Vln. 1

Vln. 2

Vla.

Vc.

*pp*

*ppp*

3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3

Detailed description: This system contains measures 13 through 16. The first violin (Vln. 1) and second violin (Vln. 2) parts feature a melodic line with a crescendo leading to a *pp* dynamic, followed by a *ppp* dynamic. The viola (Vla.) part consists of a continuous triplet accompaniment. The cello (Vc.) part has a steady eighth-note accompaniment. The key signature is three sharps (F#, C#, G#).

17

*dolciss.*

Vln. 1

Vln. 2

Vla.

Vc.

*ppp*

*cresc.*

*dim.*

Detailed description: This system contains measures 17 through 23. The first violin (Vln. 1) part is marked *dolciss.* and features a melodic line with a crescendo and a final *dim.* dynamic. The second violin (Vln. 2) and viola (Vla.) parts also have a crescendo and *dim.* dynamic. The cello (Vc.) part has a steady accompaniment with a crescendo and *dim.* dynamic. The key signature changes to four sharps (F#, C#, G#, D#).

24

*ten.*

Vln. 1

Vln. 2

Vla.

Vc.

*ppp*

*cresc.*

*mf*

*dim.*

Detailed description: This system contains measures 24 through 27. The first violin (Vln. 1) part is marked *ten.* and features a melodic line with a crescendo, a *mf* dynamic, and a final *dim.* dynamic. The second violin (Vln. 2) and viola (Vla.) parts also have a crescendo and *mf* dynamic. The cello (Vc.) part has a steady accompaniment with a crescendo and *mf* dynamic. The key signature remains four sharps (F#, C#, G#, D#).



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22

45

Vln. 1 *pp* *pp*

Vln. 2 *pp*

Vla. *pp*

Vc. *pp*

51

Vln. 1 *cresc.* *dim.* *pp* *dim.*

Vln. 2 *cresc.* *dim.* *pp* *dim.*

Vla. *cresc.* *dim.* *pp* *dim.*

Vc. *cresc.* *dim.* *pp* *dim.*

58

Vln. 1 *pp* *espress.* *dim.* *ppp*

Vln. 2 *pp* *espress.* *dim.* *ppp*

Vla. *pp* *ppp* *pizz.*

Vc. *pp*