

## Music for flute and piano by Graham Jesse

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r 0 В 9 C  For all of my musical life I have enjoyed many facets and genres of music, as a listener, player and composer. As a young saxophonist I was influenced by many of the jazz greats, and as a young flutist I was influenced by many of the classical greats. My early compositional studies focussed on the classical tradition. These flute and piano pieces are a manifestation of my love of different genres. Some explore instrumental techniques and musical patterns, some are programmatic - and always with a melodic focus. Virginia and Simon have done a beautiful job with their interpretations and I hope you enjoy listening to them.

Graham Jesse



Waves: The lilting opening piano motif in triple time sets the mood for floating on waves

Flutter: This explores the technique of flutter tongue

Ripples: The flowing pentatonic runs in this piece represent the pattern of ripples that spread out when a pebble is thrown into a pond

Chromatic Flight: An exploration of the chromatic scale

Convolution: The melodic motif in this piece takes some convoluted twists and turns

Contemplation: A meditative, contemplative piece

Bossa Flauto: A Bossa nova inspired piece

Silly Galloot: ...is rhyming slang for 'flute"



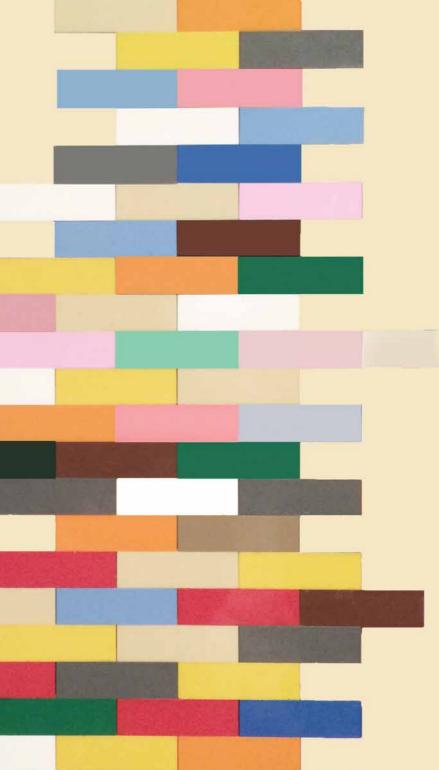
Savusavu: A calypso, composed during a holiday at the beautiful Fijian town of Savusavu

Don This: for Don Burrows

Waltz: A pretty melody with a jazz feel in waltz time

Flutist Blues: A 12 bar blues with a bridge, featuring some bluesy pitch bends on the flute

Virginia Taylor is recognised internationally as a leading pedagogue, flute performer and musician. After winning 1st prize in many prestigious competitions, including the Symphony Australia Young Performers Awards and the Australian National Flute Competition, Virginia's solo career began which has seen her perform concerti, solo recitals and chamber music across many countries. As an orchestral musician, Virginia performed as Principal Flute with the Australian Chamber Orchestra for over 10 years, and been guest principal flute with many of the major symphony orchestras within Australia and overseas. Virginia has released CDs on ABC **Classics, Tall Poppies, Move Records** and a number of other labels. A keen commissioner of Australian compositions, Virginia has given world premiere performances, including works by Elena Kats-Chernin, Nigel Westlake and Mark Isaacs. Virginia is currently Head of Flute at Queensland Conservatorium, Griffith University, and is also is



Head of Flute at the Australian National Academy in Melbourne. Virginia is also Artistic Director of the bi-annual Australian Flute Festival.

Simon Tedeschi is one of Australia's most renowned classical pianists, winner of the Young Performer of the Year Award (Australia), the **Creativity Foundation's Legacy** Award (USA), and the New York Young JewishPianist Award. Recipient of a Centenary of Federation Medal, he has performed for audiences, royalty and world leaders worldwide, from the Sydney **Opera House to Carnegie Hall** via Beijing's National Centre for the Performing Arts, and recorded numerous acclaimed albums for ABC Classics, of Mussorgsky's Pictures at an Exhibition, R. Strauss' Enoch Arden with John Bell AO OBE. Schumann, Schubert and concerti by Tchaikovsky, Grieg and Gershwin.



Graham, Virginia and Simon at rehearsal



All compositions by Graham Jesse

This album is dedicated to Victor McMahon and Don Burrows

Thanks to Virginia and Simon for their beautiful and inspired interpretations of these pieces

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## Chromatic Flight Music for flute and piano by Graham Jesse



## Virginia Taylor and Simon Tedeschi

