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4 -5 **Two Pieces** 6 -8 **Decorations** 

> 12 Leaves from a Child's Sketchbook

13 -15 Sonatina 16 18 **Three Pastels** 

> 20 Two Pieces **Summer Evening**

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John Ireland

The English composer John Ireland lived most of his life in London and was a frequent visitor to the Channel Islands and the Sussex Downs. These were a principal source of inspiration for his music but it would be a mistake to associate him with the so-called "English Pastoral School". Influenced by Ravel, Stravinsky and Gerswin, his music demonstrates a great deal of originality and is deserving of greater

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Ireland's piano music, some of the most appealing British piano music written this century, reflects the composer's many interests: his love of literature, his interest in fatalism and Celtic mysticism as well as the bitter-sweet regret of the passing of love.

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