Fanfare: Trumpets and Clocks (2002)
for 4 trumpets, 2 trombones and timpani

‘Trumpets and Clocks’ was written for the celebrations to mark the 35th Anniversary of the University of Surrey in May 2002. The music was composed using quotations from a number of well-known English trumpet pieces. The pieces were chosen for their historical proximity to the dates on the public clock faces in Guildford. For example, the date on the Guildhall clock (1683) led me to select ‘Sound the Trumpet’ by Henry Purcell. Other composers represented include - Thomas Arne, Benjamin Britten, John Dowland, Lennon and McCartney, and William Walton. The piece lasts a little under two minutes.

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