

Dinos Constantinides

A GATHERING  
OF FRIENDS

Divertimento for String Orchestra

LRC 140

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Duration: *circa 15'30"*

## INSTRUMENTATION

string orchestra

Accidentals are valid for the entire measure, in the indicated octave only.  
Many additional accidentals have been added for clarity.

*A Gathering of Friends (Divertimento for String Orchestra)* (1994) is derived from an earlier work by Constantinides for guitar and strings. The revision contains five movements; each dedicated to a Baroque composer. The first movement is dedicated to the greatest Baroque composer, J. S. Bach, and presents material from his *Violin Concerto in E Major*. The second movement celebrates the music of Henry Purcell with the appearance of "Dido's Lament." The lament's famous ground bass figure is quoted throughout the movement. Next is a tribute to the concertos of Antonio Vivaldi beginning with the strains of his *Concerto for Four Violins in B minor*. Some friends join the party and the Purcell ground bass figure returns in a fugal section. Arcangelo Corelli and Georg Frederick Handel are honored with excerpts from Corelli's *Christmas Concerto* and Handel's Largo from *Xerxes*. The final movement pays homage to Georg Philipp Telemann, whose *Concerto for Four Violins* is echoed in part. This work was premiered by the Louisiana Sinfonietta on November 6, 1994, in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, under the direction of the composer.

The music of Dinos Constantinides has been performed throughout the world. He is the recipient of many grants, commissions and awards, including first prize in the Brooklyn College International Chamber Opera Competition, the First Midwest Chamber Opera Conference, and the Delius Composition Contest. He also received the American New Music Consortium Distinguished Service Award, the Glen Award of l'Ensemble of New York, several Meet the Composer grants, numerous ASCAP Standard Awards, and he was honored with a Distinguished Teacher White House Commission on Presidential Scholars.

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