

VIOLAS REVERIE/LILLYPAD SERENADE – PROGRAM NOTES

Viola's Reverie and Lillypad Serenade are two short string pieces composed by my partner in crime, violist Novi Novog. They are expertly voiced and expertly built, showing off Novi's deep knowledge and affinity for string playing.

The attitude here is primarily one of expressiveness, featuring rich and resonant sonorities, and showing off the natural ability of stringed instruments to blend and create one sound from many players. The feel is very rubato and has a slightly impressionistic nature. The voice leading is smooth and natural, with a gentle flow, and each instrument gets to sing in its most effective register.