

## MY OWN PERSONAL SUN

MY OWN PERSONAL SUN is a short and simple orchestral song. When I first started writing it, I was attempting to write a modern-day Pavane, in the style of my two favorite PAVANES – Maurice Ravel's Pavane Pour Une Infante Defunte and Gabriel Faure's classic Pavane.

A pavane is a slow and stately processional dance form in 2/4 time. Mine, not surprisingly, took a couple of left turns and wound up being a little bit faster and a whole lot more pop. It has a bright and optimistic nature, and is really as simple as can be – very innocent and naïve.

The center section features a chorale in the brass – I can never seem to resist those beautiful chorales. Currently MY OWN PERSONAL SUN is orchestrated for small chamber orchestra – specifically, my own twelve-piece workshop group, CELA (Composers Ensemble of Los Angeles). It's almost certainly headed for a larger orchestration at some point, either full orchestra or chamber orchestra. Time will tell.