

Flash!

for trumpet and CD

- I. Overture
- II. Aria
- III. Interlude
- IV. Finale

11 minutes

Brooke Joyce (2011)

Commissioned and premiered by Richard Tirk, February 2012

Program Note:

If you ask my siblings, *Flash!* is a piece I was bound to compose one day or another. Growing up, I was obsessed with the soundtrack to the 1980 film version of Flash Gordon, which was composed and recorded by Queen. Although my memories are vague, I apparently used to play the main Flash Gordon theme again and again on our piano. I guess it's true—the music that touches you as a youngster never really goes away. The interludes between movements are from an episode of the 1935 radio serial that first brought the comic strip hero to life.

Technical Requirements:

CD playback

Monitor for performer