## Processional

*Processional*for brass quintet was commissioned by the University of Sunderland in 1993 for the first graduation ceremonies under the new University Charter. As the title suggests, the music was designed as a processional to a ceremonial occasion (in this case the entrance of academics) and is prefaced by antiphonal fanfares for the two trumpets. The longer middle section unfolds a *nobilmente* melody, heard initially on the horn, with the opening fanfares on two muted trumpets creating a more contrapuntal framework. The ending is suitably triumphant!

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