

Finger Paintings

11 Colorful Early Elementary Piano Solos with Optional Teacher Accompaniments

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This series of books is designed to provide piano students with a wide variety of musical repertoire to enhance reading and performance skills and serve as a basis for subsequent musical studies. This first book contains eleven short solos in numerous 5-finger patterns. The student is introduced to basic elements of notation, and the tuneful melodies are divided between the hands.

For added motivation and enjoyment, optional teacher accompaniments have been included. As a child, I was always very inspired when my teacher performed with me. I know now that these early musical experiences provided the basis for a lifetime of enjoyment playing ensemble music and at the same time developed secure rhythm and reading skills.

The many moods expressed in this volume will encourage young players to use their musical imagination. I hope that these pieces provide many hours of enjoyment and inspiration for both you and your students!

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*This collection is dedicated to my friend
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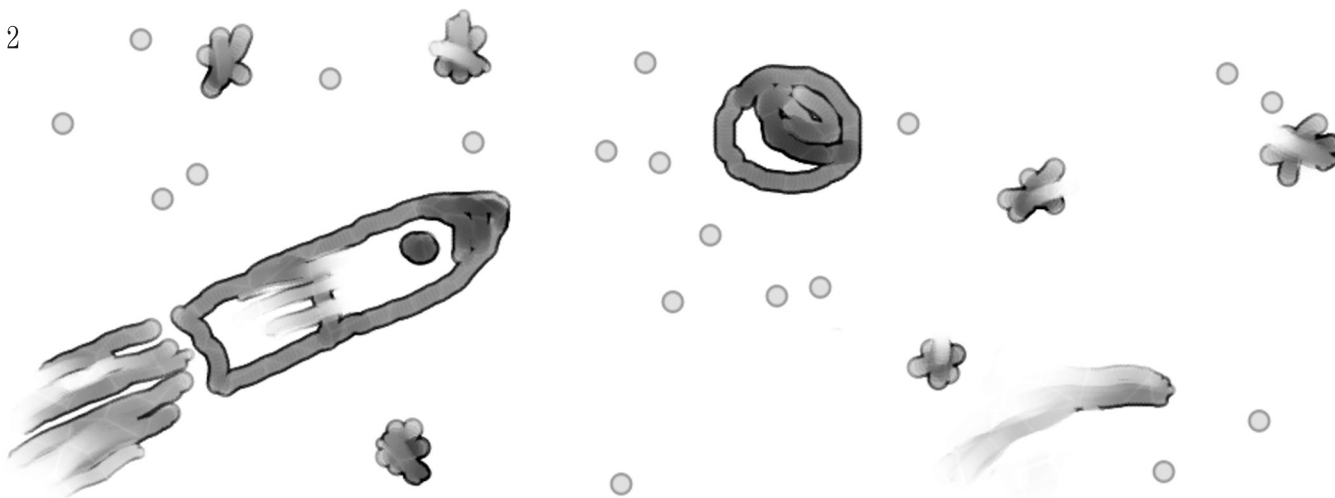
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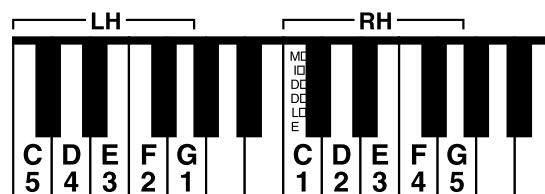
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Moonfinder



Gently Dennis Alexander

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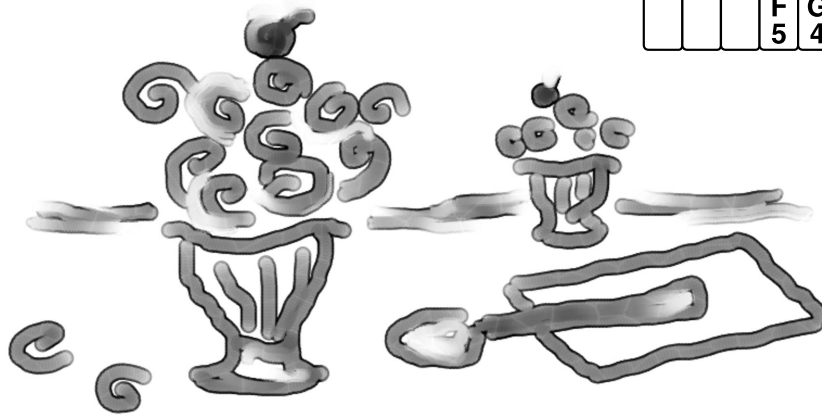
OPTIONAL DUET PART: (Student plays one octave higher.)

Gently

mf

4 1 3 1 4 1 5 4 1

2 *f* *mf* 9



Happily

OPTIONAL DUET PART: (Student plays one octave higher.)

Happily

Allegretto

f 5 2 2 5 5 5

p 5 5 3 3 *mf* 3 3

f 5 2 2 5 5 5