

# Richard Harvey

Prolific Composer, Conductor, and Virtuoso Performer

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A graduate of the Royal College of Music in London, Richard Harvey's passion for musical instruments from all around the world, old and new, has led him to work on a fascinatingly diverse range of projects - from feature films to documentaries, television dramas and live performances.

The assignments Richard has been involved with range from writing a hugely ambitious Cathedral work and eco-musical "Plague and the Moonflower" with artist and writer Ralph Steadman for the 1989 Exeter Music Festival, to contributing to Hans Zimmer's score for the massive box office hit "The Da Vinci Code" (2006).

Richard's talent as a composer of film and television music has been recognised with a British Academy Award and four Ivor Novello nominations. In addition his score to Borough Films' controversial and International Emmy award winning "Death of a President" won the International Critic's Award at the 2006 Toronto Film Festival.

Richard's skills as a multi-instrumentalist are often called upon for both live performances and feature films, including Disney's "The Lion King" (1994), "Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkaban" (2004), "Kingdom of Heaven" (2005), and most recently, "The Chronicles of Narnia: Prince Caspian" (2008). Richard has recorded for and collaborated with major contemporary composers including John Williams, Stanley Myers, Sir Paul McCartney, Elvis Costello, and numerous others.

Richard has also made several classical albums, including a Classical Record of the Year, "Italian Recorder Concertos" (1982), which remains in Gramophone Magazine's Top 100. Furthermore he was commissioned to write "Concerto Antico" (1995) for classical guitar virtuoso John Williams, which has been recorded with the London Symphony Orchestra and released by Sony.

Most recently Richard has scored historical drama feature film "Eichmann" (2008) starring German superstar Thomas Kretschmann, and idiosyncratic French fantasy "Les Deux Mondes" (2007) starring Belgian superstar Benoît Poelvoorde.

Richard lives in Surrey and enjoys winters in Thailand.