

Aria for Orchestra (1998)
Composer - William Rowson (b. 1977)

Aria for Orchestra was written in 1998 in Philadelphia, PA. It was premiered there by the Symphony Orchestra of the Curtis Institute of Music under my direction. It was the result of my studies at the Institute. All composition students had to write orchestral pieces. Many of my colleagues were writing very fast brassy pieces. To be different, I decided that I would write the most lyrical piece I could. The result was a then nameless piece that was later called *Aria*, because of its songlike form.

I hope you enjoy.

William Rowson