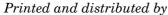
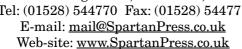
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Born in 1954, Peter Lawrance started his musical studies in Leicestershire where he was a member of the Leicestershire Schools' Symphony Orchestra. He received an L.E.A. award to study the horn with James Brown at the Royal Academy of Music after which he attended Liverpool and Reading Universities, studying composition with Hugh Wood and the horn with James Eastham. Peter has played the horn in symphony, chamber and opera orchestras across the country as well as working in colleges and schools in the Midlands and Greater Manchester area, where he was head of an Instrumental Teaching Service. He has also been an examiner for the Guildhall School of Music. Now working as a composer and arranger he mainly works on commissions for orchestras and bands, music for wind ensemble and educational material for publication. His music is in the current examination syllabi of all of the London Colleges.

Peter Lawrance has an impressive list of publications to his name, including a wide range of music for brass instruments, both solo and ensemble. He has also written musicals and vocal music for educational use. His collection of pieces under the overall title Winners Galore draws together well-known melodies from traditional sources, the classical repertoire and recent TV programmes. This idea has proved so popular with the younger musician that the Winners Galore series is now available to brass, wind and string players. His music is included in the exam syllabus of four different examination Boards. Peter has also contributed music for use by classroom teachers.

Peter Lawrance writes exciting and challenging music for wind instruments and this piece for solo bassoon shares these characteristics. It has been used in more than one national workshop for bassoonists. The music is energetic and demanding in places, calmer and quieter in others, but rewarding to work on. Fantasy for Bassoon was set for publication by the composer.

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