

Famous for his role as keyboard player in the progressive rock band Genesis, Tony Banks has always been fascinated by the idea of writing orchestral music. Five of the seven pieces in this orchestral suite were written specifically for the *Seven* project; the remaining two were older pieces. Throughout the seven movements Banks creates intense orchestral sound pictures. The calm serenity which characterises the main themes of the separate movements is often contrasted with uncomfortable stormy turbulence, the overall result being a scenic overview of orchestral colours and timbres.

TONY BANKS

(b. 1950)

Seven

A Suite for Orchestra

1	Spring Tide	10:12
2	Black Down	9:45
3	The Gateway	7:31
4	The Ram	8:52
5	Earthlight	4:43
6	Neap Tide	4:58
7	The Spirit of Gravity	11:38

London Philharmonic Orchestra • Mike Dixon

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