

Ivor Novello



3 Songs transcribed for Trumpet

Born	David Ivor Davies 15 January 1893 Cardiff, Glamorgan, Wales
Died	6 March 1951 (aged 58) London, England
Occupation	Actor, composer
Years active	1914–1951
Partner(s)	Bobbie Andrews (1916–1951, until Novello's death)

Ivor Novello (born **David Ivor Davies**; 15 January 1893 – 6 March 1951) was a Welsh composer and actor who became one of the most popular British entertainers of the first half of the 20th century.

He was born into a musical family, and his first successes were as a songwriter. His first big hit was "[Keep the Home Fires Burning](#)" (1914), which was enormously popular during the First World War. His 1917 show, *[Theodore & Co](#)*, was a wartime hit. After the war, Novello contributed numbers to several successful [musical comedies](#) and was eventually commissioned to write the scores of complete shows. He wrote his musicals in the style of [operetta](#) and often composed his music to the [libretti](#) of [Christopher Hassall](#).

In the 1920s, he turned to acting, first in British films and then on stage, with considerable success in both. He starred in two silent films directed by [Alfred Hitchcock](#), *[The Lodger](#)* and *[Downhill](#)* (both 1927). On stage, he played the title character in the first London production of *[Liliom](#)* (1926). Novello briefly went to [Hollywood](#), but he soon returned to Britain, where he had more successes, especially on stage, appearing in his own lavish West End productions of musicals. The best known of these were *[Glamorous Night](#)* (1935) and *[The Dancing Years](#)* (1939).

From the 1930s, he often performed with [Zena Dare](#), writing parts for her in his works. He continued to write for film, but he had his biggest late successes with stage musicals: *[Perchance to Dream](#)* (1945), *[King's Rhapsody](#)* (1949) and *[Gay's the Word](#)* (1951). The [Ivor Novello Awards](#) were named after him in 1955.

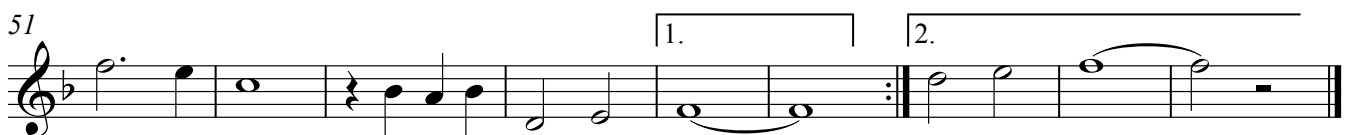
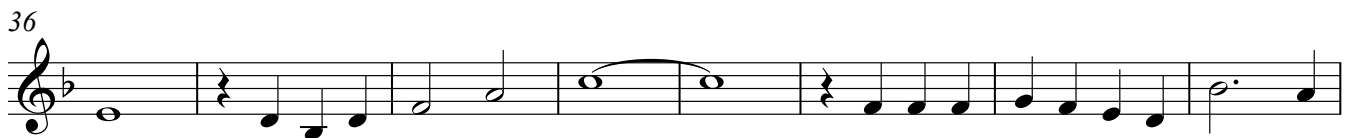
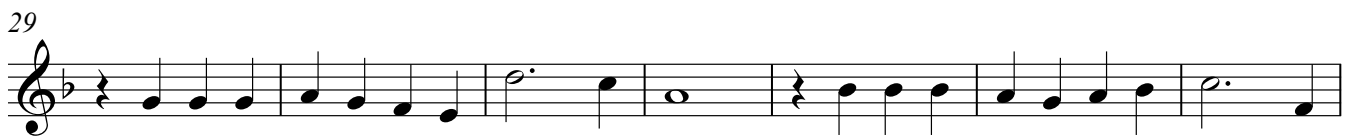


We'll Gather Lilacs

Trumpet in C

Words and Music by Ivor Novello

Intro 8 bars



Waltz of My Heart

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Valse moderato

