Grand Air de Guerre

Dur: 2:50

(An Air of War)

for

Bb Trumpet Quintet

Jean-Baptiste Lully 1632 – 1687 arr. Amy Dunker & Joel Blahnik





Jean-Baptiste Lully (b November 28, 1632; d March 22 1687) was an Italian-born, French composer, who spent his life as court musician for the King Louis XIV. On January 8, 1687, Lully was conducting a *Te Deum* in honor of Louis XIV's recent recovery from illness. He was beating time by banging a long staff (a precursor to the baton) against the floor, as was the common practice at the time, when he struck his toe, creating an abscess. The wound turned gangrenous, but Lully refused to have his toe amputated and the gangrene spread, resulting in his death on March 22, 1687.