

Music by Douglas Geers

Program Notes for Twisted Pair

Twisted Pair is a brief work that explores issues of origin, chance combination, and consequences. In it, signal processing techniques have been applied to combine “parent” source materials into new sound objects that exhibit varying degrees of stability and coherence. On another level, it is also an act of reveling in the beautiful sound qualities of harmonic distortion, inspired by a range of musicians from Iannis Xenakis to Neil Young.

The sounds in this work consist mainly of sounds of toy musical instruments that have been extensively manipulated via a software system created by the composer that combines intuitive real time control with a number of algorithmic methods for rearranging grains and strata of digital audio. More details available upon request.