



- Edward Elgar was an English composer, organist, violinist and teacher.
- His family was musical but he had little formal music training.
- He started to earn his own living when he was 15, working in a lawyer's office.
- At 16 he left that work and began supporting himself as a freelance musician.
- His reputation as a composer grew and his Imperial March was performed at Queen Victoria's Diamond Jubilee in 1897.
- Among his many awards was a Knighthood in 1904.
- He composed over 34 arrangements of other composers music, a piece for brass band, 68 orchestral works, 53 chamber pieces, 8 incidental pieces, 18 songs for keyboard, 18 choral pieces, 37 church pieces, a ballet, an opera, 45 choral songs, and 92 songs for solo voice.



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