

**DAVID GARNER**  
**b. 1954**

**Seven Fugues**

David Garner has taught for many years at the San Francisco Conservatory. Over about a twenty-year period, he composed seven fugues for organ, all of which are masterfully constructed as well as often indicative of his humor. I was honored to have premiered all seven in recital in 2022 in Berkeley. Garner titles his fugues 'on' the tonic note, as opposed to 'in' the tonic key. The pieces are quite tonal, but Garner enjoys turning many elements on their ear, however subtly or playfully.