

Daniel Walker

Contemporary American classical composer Daniel Walker's music has been heard around the world on the concert stage, in film and on television.

Recently Walker's latest work *Marco Polo: The Last Mission*, a full length classical ballet had its world premiere in China on May 2, 2010. Commissioned by Pierre Cardin and performed by the Shanghai Ballet Company, the historically based work is currently touring Asia as part of the company's repertoire.



Films include the stylish thriller *Curiosity Kills the Cat*, for which Carina Lau won the best actress award at China's equivalent of the Oscars. On TV, Walker wrote the theme song for *The Galaxy Railways*, a hit Japanese anime series.

Additional film and television credits include feature films for HBO and Showtime and his music has been heard on *The Tonight Show with Jay Leno*, *20/20*, *Friends*, *Sex and the City* and *The Annual Academy Awards Show*.

Walker is currently completing the initial recordings for his new musical theatre piece *Hei Cheng / Dark City*, a dramatic urban tale set in the last decade of the 20th century in Hong Kong.

In addition to his busy professional schedule, Walker recently returned to academia, receiving a Master of Arts from the University of California, Los Angeles in 2007. He is completing his PhD at UCLA in the spring of 2011.

Current Highlights:

- 2010 The Shanghai Ballet Company premieres Walker's *Marco Polo: The Last Mission* at the Grand Theatre in Shanghai, China on May 2nd as part of the 2010 World Expo opening celebration.
- 2008 Arranged the song *Forever Friends* which was performed during the closing ceremony of the 2008 Olympics in Beijing.
- 2006 Scores the Chinese film *Curiosity Kills the Cat*, which includes the song *Between the Earth and Sky* performed by Chinese pop star Jia-Jia.

Composes a new theme for the Japanese television series *The Galaxy Railways*. The song, *Carry the Light*, is recorded and released as a single by Jia-Jia in August.
- 2005 Composes music for the 77th Academy Awards Show, aired on ABC in February.
- 2004 Completes two commissions for piano, orchestra and voices - *Xian Fantasy*, written for a milestone celebration in the ancient capitol city of Xian and *Confucius Capriccio*, a three movement contemporary piano concerto based on the Analects of Confucius.
- 2003 Composes and arranges a full program of piano-orchestra music for pianist Kong Xiangdong which was premiered November 3rd, 2003.

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THEATRICAL PRODUCTIONS

MARCO POLO: THE LAST MISSION <i>- a ballet in three acts -</i>	Score	Shanghai Ballet Company Pierre Cardin, prod. Josè Martinez, choreographer / dir.
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SELECTED FEATURE FILMS

CURIOSITY KILLS THE CAT	Score	China Vision Group Jimmy Wu, Jane Shao, prods. Zhang Yibai, dir.
IMPRESSIONS OF THE DEEP	Score (w/ Giorgio Moroder)	Bavaria Film International L. Riefenstahl, H. Kettner, prods. Leni Riefenstahl, dir.
KILLER COP	Score	Ins7ght Productions Jennifer Farrell, prod. Marc Rylewski, dir.
LOVER'S LEAP	Score	Panther Productions S. Hirsch, E. Hooper, prods. Toby Phillips, dir.
ANIMAL INSTINCTS	Score	Axis Films International A. Garroni, W. Gernert, prods. Gregory Hippolyte, dir.
SPY HARD	Add. Music	Hollywood Pictures D. Draizin, R. Friedberg, prods. Rick Friedberg, dir.
SCARFACE	Arranging on 2003 re-release and CD	Universal Pictures Martin Bregman, prod. Brian DePalma, dir.

SELECTED TELEVISION

THE GALAXY RAILWAYS	Theme Song	CBC - Japan
PAYBACK	Score	NBC
BIOGRAPHY	Score	A&E Network
77 th ACADEMY AWARDS SHOW	Add. Music	ABC
FRIENDS	Add. Music	NBC
TONIGHT SHOW WITH JAY LENO	Add. Music	NBC
20/20	Add. Music	ABC
65 th ACADEMY AWARDS SHOW	Arranger	ABC

RECORDINGS

Producer/Arranger/Conductor - Donna Summer, Giorgio Moroder, Andy Lau, Amel Larrieux, Engelbert Humperdink & others