Camille Saint-Saëns (1835–1921) was taught to play the piano by his great-aunt, with whom he went to live after his father died. He proved to be a prodigy, and soon became one of France's most renowned organists. When he was 41, he began applying himself more to composing and conducting, though he continued to perform as a pianist and organist. Saint-Saëns was awarded the Grand-Croix, the highest rank in France's Legion of Honor. This piece is from his popular orchestral suite Carnival of the Animals.

The Swan

from Carnival of the Animals

Camille Saint-Saëns (1835–1921) Arr. Allan Small













