Beverly R. Lomer’s List of Solo Music to Play while Safe at Home

One thing that has become more important during the quarantine is solo music for recorder. I have quite a lot of it, some technique studies and some compositions. So I thought I would share a list with you. Some of the pieces have been reviewed in AR (some by me, some by others), and several will be reviewed in upcoming issues. Included here are titles and composers/arrangers, so you may have to search for availability. Hope this is helpful!

**Modern/Multi-Century Recorder Compositions**
- Ukuvalelisa by Sören Sieg
- 15 Solostücke by Karl Friedrich Iván Abal Pulleiro
- Solos for Soprano Recorder: Collection 7, Melodies by Women Composers by Clark Kimberling
- Virtuose Suite by Hans Ulrich Staeps
- Celtic Tunes for Recorder by Marcia Mark Diehl
- Ireland’s Best Slow Airs, from Waltons Publishing
- Soprano Recorder Solo Book: over 100 pieces from the 15th to 21st centuries, with several composed just for this collection, edited by Eric Haas, published by Von Huene Workshop
- A Collection of Compositions for Descant Recorder, from Barenreiter Praha BR11544
- A Solo Book for Treble Recorder: 175 Solo Pieces from Eight Centuries, collected by Barbara Hintermeier

**Medieval**
- Trois Lais Monophonique by Guillaume de Machaut
- Medieval Songs and Dances of 11th-14th century Europe, Vol. 1, arranged by Al Cofrin

**Baroque**
- Pieces for Solo Alto Recorder, collected by Julius Berhard Lutter, published by Instant Harmony
- 49 Preludes, Fantaisies, and Caprices for Solo Alto Recorder, collected by Charles Babel and published by Instant Harmony
- The Baroque Solo Book, edited by Bernard Thomas
- The Division Flute, two volumes, published by Amadeus
- Der Flayten Lust-hof, by Jacob van Eyck, three volumes, published by Amadeus and also available on IMSLP
- Sonata, BWV 1033, by J.S. Bach, arranged for unaccompanied alto recorder by Charles Coldwell/Editions dolcimelo

**Melodious Technical Studies**
- 12 Melodious Exercises for Descant Recorder by Joannes Collette
- Between the Lines & Fantasies for alto recorder, by Joel Levine
- Recorder Studies, three volumes (soprano/tenor, alto, ensemble/trio) by Glen Shannon [reviewed in the Summer 2020 AR]

**Some Technical Studies**
- Groove Connection: 2 volumes of jazzy exercises for alto and soprano, by Klaus Dickbauer
- Methodische Etuden: two volumes for alto and soprano by Adrian Wehle. Duet format, but works as solo chromatic studies
- The Daily Lesson and Note-Patterns (two books) by Hans Ulrich Staeps. Beginner to advanced
- The Complete Articulator, by Kees Boeke
- 95 Dexterity Exercises and Dances (two books, soprano/tenor and alto), by G. Rooda
- Advanced Recorder Technique, two volumes by Heyens/Bowman
- Articulation Etudes in two parts, by Aldo Abreu - difficult but worthwhile/advanced
- Four Vibrato Exercises and Four Sound Control and Silent Breathing Etudes, by Aldo Abreu
- Warm-Ups and Technical Exercises for the Recorder, by Aldo Abreu - difficult but worthwhile
- Finger Exercises for the Recorder, by Aldo Abreu
- Essercizi, by Ernst Michael Kolz
- Exercises for the Alto Recorder, by Héléïse Degrugillier

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