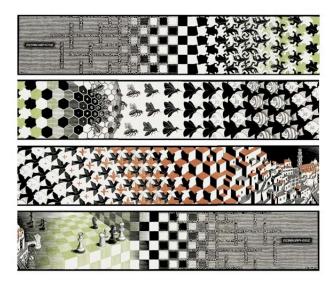
Metamorphoses II

for violin and piano

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Program notes—

The title of *Metamorphoses II* comes from a woodcut print by M. C. Escher of the same. Escher's print moves through many different figures, gradually transforming one figure into the next. Another influence comes from folk fiddling, which makes abundant use of open strings and other idiomatic string techniques. This is supported by a harmonic language in the piano that extends the already richly extended jazz chords one finds in the music of Charlie Parker and his contemporaries, resulting in a kind of very abstract jazz fiddling. *Metamorphoses II* was commissioned by the Florida State Music Teachers Association and the Hanna-Yang Duo (Emily Hanna Crane and Hui-Ting Yang).

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