

**DHVANI (1996)**  
for two-channel audio

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A sonic gift from another place for the occasion of Vancouver New Music's 25th anniversary celebration. A sonic snapshot of India, a sonic moment of Indian life. *Dhvani* is a Hindi word for sound. "In this Universe, there is no form of knowledge which is not perceived through sound; all this Universe is but the result of sound." (*Vakyapadiya* 1.124)

Initially *Dhvani* was perceived as a short composition in its own right. More recently I often choose to play it as the introductory piece for my performance piece *India Sound Journal*.

Length: 3:10