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Mark Cromar's violin piece *Pyesna* was premièred in July at the Yehudi Menuhin school by Medina Mekhtieva. His *Through the Lens* (with Swedish singer-songwriter Amanda Ericsson), about Charles Ludwig Dodgson, was recorded earlier this year to coincide with the centenary of the writer's death.

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