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Vernon Hoyle was born in 1948 in Hatfield, South Yorkshire. Having received his first music lessons locally from John Hubert Piper, at the age of fifteen he became a student at the Huddersfield School of Music. After five years' study at Huddersfield he continued his formal education at the City of Birmingham College of Education and the Open University.

From 1969 until his retirement he taught music and English (and for three years in the early 80s, photography) in secondary schools in West Yorkshire. In his spare time capacities as chorister, organist, choral director, composer, arranger and editor he has been active in church music since he was ten years of age. In the 80s and 90s, as Musical Director of the Danensian Choir, he directed the music at services in most of the cathedrals in England and at other foundations including Llandaff Cathedral, Westminster Abbey, Beverley Minster and St George's Chapel, Windsor Castle. In 2005 he succeeded the late Dr Roger Bullivant (University of Sheffield) as President of the Danensian Choir. His compositions and arrangements, a variety of which are published in the UK and USA, consist largely of sacred choral works, organ music and music for schools.

Outside music his interests include the English language, classic motor vehicles and photography. He also enjoys running, cycling and dog-walking. He is married to Margaret and they have a son, Matthew (b.1992) and a daughter, Alison (b.1995).

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poco rall.
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A tempo
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