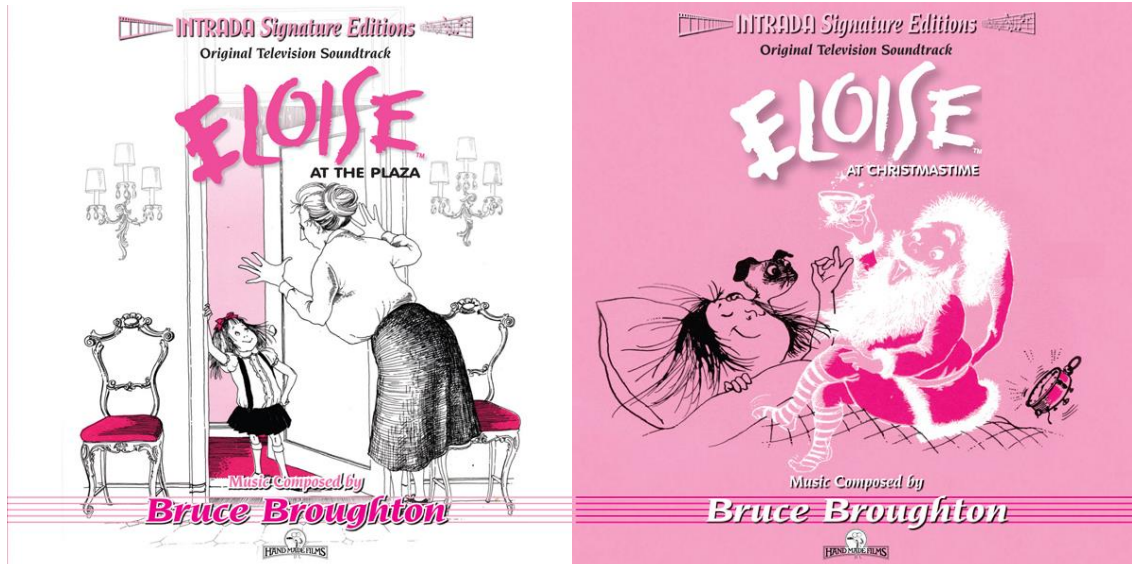




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ELOISE AT THE PLAZA/ELOISE AT CHRISTMASTIME

Composed by **BRUCE BROUGHTON**

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Intrada presents *Eloise*.

Eloise is a precocious six-year-old girl who lives at the New York Plaza Hotel. She roams its halls day in and out in search of adventure. In 2002 and 2004 Handmade Films brought *Eloise* to the small screen in two live action adventures: *Eloise at the Plaza* and *Eloise at Christmastime*. Both were directed by Kevin Lima, who had graduated from such animated fare as Disney's *The Little Mermaid*, *Aladdin*, and *Tarzan* (which he co-directed). Actress Sofia Vassileva (*Medium*) brings the energy, sass, and shrewdness of the beloved children's book character to life in both sparkling adventures at the Plaza Hotel. Julie Andrews plays Nanny, a tolerant, mother-like figure to Eloise's who still appreciates her young charge's exuberance.

Composer Bruce Broughton and Lima were on the same page with regards to the musical approach – the movies' quirky energy and frenetic pace called for high-energy music – much like a cartoon score. In *Eloise at the Plaza*, Broughton graces the score with 1950s New York sophistication. He took two approaches to the score: the hotel, city, and romantic scenes are underscored by full orchestra, while the music associated with Eloise is performed by a playful nine-piece ensemble. The score for *Eloise at Christmastime* takes on even larger orchestral proportions. For a festive holiday feel, Broughton weaves elements of "The Nutcracker" into the score, going so far as to Nutcracker-ize some of his own themes. The end result are two effervescent, fun-filled scores...the closest thing to capturing a rambunctious childhood musically on CD.

Intrada presents both scores on this 2-CD set and is limited to 1200 copies.

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