Since its launch in 1982, the Marco Polo label has for twenty years sought to draw attention to unexplored repertoire. Its main goals have been to record the best music of unknown composers and the rarely heard works of well-known composers. At the same time it aspired, like Marco Polo himself, to bring something of the East to the West and of the West to the East.

For many years Marco Polo was the only label dedicated to recording rare repertoire. Most of its releases were world première recordings of works by Romantic, Late Romantic and Early Twentieth Century composers, and of light classical music.

One early field of exploration lay in the work of later Romantic composers, whose turn has now come again, particularly those whose careers were affected by political events and composers who refused to follow contemporary fashions. Of particular interest are the operas by Richard Wagner’s son Siegfried, who ran the Bayreuth Festival for so many years, yet wrote music more akin to that of his teacher Humperdinck. To Der Bärenhäuter (The Man in the Bear’s Skin), Banadietrich, Schwarzschwanenreich (The Kingdom of the Black Swan), and Bruder Lustig, which further explores the mysterious medieval world of German legend. Other German operas included in the catalogue are works by Franz Schreker and Hans Pfitzner. Earlier Romantic opera is represented by Weber’s Peter Schmoll, and by Silvana, the latter notable in that the heroine of the title remains dumb throughout most of the action. Marschner’s Hans Heiling is also listed. A more modern idiom is heard in the Italian composer Azio Corghi’s setting of a German libretto by the Nobel prize-winner José Saramago, Divara – Wasser und Blut (Divara – Water and Blood), based on the 16th century Anabaptist seizure of Münster and its consequences. Other rarities in the catalogue include the Basque opera Amaya by Jesús Guridi, sung in Basque, and, to complement Adolphe Adam’s ballet La jolie fille de Gand, the same composer’s La filleule des fées, both, like Giselle, vehicles for the dancer Carlotta Grisi.

The list of film-scores, expertly reconstructed from surviving sources, grows ever longer. Auric’s score for Cocteau’s Orphée (Orpheus) and for La Belle et la Bête (Beauty and the Beast), the English composer Philip Sainton’s Moby Dick and Erik Nordgren’s music for films by Ingmar Bergman, are joined by Deutsch’s score for The Maltese Falcon. In addition to music by Hollywood composers, from Poland comes film music by the prolific Wojciech Kilar, with his scores for Bram Stoker’s Dracula and Roman Polanski’s Death and the Maiden, and from Russia the music written by Shostakovich for The Fall of Berlin.

North America is increasingly left to Marco Polo’s loyal companion, Naxos, but Latin America is represented in particular by recordings of the complete piano music of the Argentine composer Luis Gianneo. In addition to earlier releases of music by Spanish and Catalan composers, come recordings of works by Josep Soler and Joaquim Homs.

Marco Polo has always shown significant attention to lighter music. Evidence of this is to be heard in the incredible series of recordings that offers the complete instrumental works of Johann Strauss the Younger, now followed by those of his almost equally prolific brother Josef (on 26 CDs). To these may be added the growing series devoted to the work of the Danish Strauss, Hans Christian Lumbye, to the overtures and instrumental works of Suppé, and to the dance music of the Viennese Carl Ziehrer. The listings of British Light Music also continue to expand, with new additions to the catalogue.

It is only right that Marco Polo should find itself in modern China with a series of recordings for more general release. These include some compositions for Chinese instruments or for a collaboration of East and West in music that lay at the whole origin of the Marco Polo label.

All this is in addition to the original core of Marco Polo exploration in region after region. The Russian romanticism of Liadov, the music of Ukraine, the achievement of Enescu in Romania, of Szymanowski in Poland, of Bruneau, Rabaud, Ibert, and the Boulangers sisters in France, with Fanelli’s rare tribute to Théophile Gautier, of Flemish composers, of Braga Santos in Portugal and of Castelnuovo-Tedesco, Respighi, Malipiero, Pizzetti and, rarer still, Garofalo in Italy, all combine into a catalogue of amazing richness. Marco Polo leads the way. It is for eager listeners to follow.

*To be released*
ADAM, Adolphe (1803 – 1856)

The son of the founder of the French school of piano playing, Louis Adam, Adolphe Adam established a reputation for himself in Paris as a composer for the theatre, for vaudeville, opera and ballet. His name is widely known for the popular ballet Giselle of 1841, which was immediately followed by La Jolie fille de Gand (The Beauty of Ghent) and in 1849 by La Fillette des fées (The Fairies’ God-Daughter), all successful vehicles for the dancer Carlotta Grisi.

La Fillette des Fées [2 CD’s]
Queensland Symphony Orchestra / Andrew Mogrelia ........................................... 8.223734-35
La jolie fille de Gand
Queensland Symphony Orchestra / Andrew Mogrelia ........................................... 8.223772-73

ADDINSELL, Richard (1904 – 1977)

Remembered in Britain as composer of the Warsaw Concerto for the film Dangerous Moonlight and as accompanist to Joyce Grenfell, Richard Addinsell studied music in Berlin and Vienna and later enjoyed a career as a composer chiefly for the theatre and cinema.

Goodbye, Mr. Chips • Tom Brown’s Schooldays
A Tale of Two Cities • Prince and the Showgirl
The Smoky Mountains Suite • Others
BBC Concert Orchestra / Kenneth Alwyn ........................................... 8.223732

AKPABOT, Samuel (b. 1940)

Born in Eastern Nigeria, Samuel Akpabot studied organ, trumpet and composition in London, returning home to study the indigenous music of Nigeria at the University of Ife, with further work at the University of Chicago and Michigan State University. He is regarded as a major scholar in the subject.

Three Nigerian Dances (AFRICAN SONGS)
National Symphony Orchestra and Chamber Choir of the South African Broadcasting Corporation / Richard Cock ..... 8.223832

ALKAN, Charles–Valentin (1813 – 1888)

Alkan was a virtuoso pianist of astonishing gifts, although he retired early from normal concert life, becoming something of a recluse. As a composer he has been largely underestimated, but wrote a large amount of piano music, much of which makes extreme demands on the technique of a performer, expanding the possibilities of the instrument in a remarkable series of studies.

25 Préludes, Op. 31
Laurent Martin, Piano ................................................................. 8.223284
Esquisses, Op. 63
Laurent Martin, Piano ................................................................. 8.223352
Seven Etudes from Op. 39
Bernard Ringeissen, Piano ......................................................... 8.223285
Grand Duo concertant, Op. 21
Sonata de concert, Op. 47 • Trio in G minor, Op. 30
Trio Alkan ................................................................. 8.223383
Trois Etudes de Bravoure, Op. 12
Trois Grandes Études, Op. 76
Laurent Martin, Piano ................................................................. 8.223500

ARENSKY, Anton Stepanovich (1861 – 1906)

A pupil of Rimsky-Korsakov in St Petersburg, Arensky joined the teaching staff of the Moscow Conservatory, where his pupils included Glière, Scriabin and Rachmaninov. He succeeded Rimsky-Korsakov as director of the Imperial Chapel in St Petersburg in 1894 and after his resignation in 1901 turned his principal attention to composition. The best known of his works is the D minor Piano Trio and many of his shorter compositions for piano remain familiar. He was a gifted pianist himself and a conductor. His compositions include three operas, two symphonies and concertos for both piano and violin, as well as a set of orchestral variations on a theme of Tchaikovsky, a friend who exercised some influence over his work.

Egyptian Nights, Op. 30
Moscow Symphony Orchestra / Dmitry Yablonsky .................. 8.225028
Piano Suites Nos. 1 - 5
Daniel Blumenthal / Robert Grosslot ........................................... 8.223497
String Quartets, Opp. 11 and 35
Ilona Prunyi, Piano / Lajtha Quartet ........................................... 8.223811

ARNOLD, Malcolm (b. 1921)

Among the most gifted and versatile of English composers, Malcolm Arnold enjoyed an earlier career as a trumpet-player, before turning in 1948 to a career as a composer. As well as his symphonies, other orchestral works and chamber music, he found a ready outlet for his abilities in the writing of film music. His eighty or so film scores include the music for The Bridge on the River Kwai and The Inn of the Sixth Happiness. His scores for David Copperfield and for The Roots of Heaven are characteristic examples of the kind of work for which he was, at one stage in his career, very much in demand, until he decided that his talents needed to be concentrated on concert music.

David Copperfield • The Roots of Heaven
Moscow Symphony Orchestra / William Stromberg .................. 8.225167

ATTERBERG, Kurt (1887 – 1974)

The Swedish composer Kurt Atterberg was employed in the Stockholm patent office. He took a leading part, however, in Swedish musical life as conductor, critic, administrator and composer. He wrote interesting orchestral music, including nine symphonies, and attractive chamber music, all in approachable style.

Piano Quintet, Op. 31 • Suite No. 1 “Orientale”
Sonata for Horn and Piano, Op. 27
Ilona Prunyi, Piano / György Kertész, Cello / Imre Magyari, Horn / New Budapest Quartet ................. 8.223405
Violin Sonata • Trio Concertante • Hôstballade
Valse Monotone • Rondeau Rétrospectif
Eszter Perényi and András Kiss, Violins / Ilona Prunyi and Sándor Falvay, Pianos / György Kertész, Cello / Deborah Lipkay, Harp .................. 8.223404

AUBERT, Louis François Marie (1877 – 1968)

The French pianist and composer Louis Aubert studied composition under Fauré and was briefly an organ pupil of Widor. As a boy chorister he sang at the Madeleine in Paris and
after the turn of the century devoted himself increasingly to composition rather than performance as a concert-pianist. His colourful symphonic poem Habanera won immediate success at its first performance in 1919.

**Offrande • Cinéma • Dryade • Feuille d’Images**
**Tombeau de Chateaubriand**
Rheinland-Pfalz Philharmonic / Leif Segerstam ................. 8.223531

**AUVRAY, Georges (1899 – 1983)**
A member of Les Six in post-war Paris, Georges Auric wrote for Dyaigilev music with the characteristic clarity of his French contemporaries, moving, in a prolific career, to music of greater complexity, while continuing to write with a certain lightness of touch. His compositions include a quantity of dramatic music, with film scores and a varied range of chamber, orchestral and vocal music. La Belle et la Bête and Orphée represent collaborations in the cinema with Cocteau, and Les Mariés de la Tour Eiffel, with music by Auric and his colleagues from Les Six, explores a surreal concept by the same writer.

**La Belle et la Bête (Complete Film Score)**
Axios Chorus / Moscow Symphony Orchestra / Adriano ..... 8.223765

**Lola Montez (Suite) • Notre-Dame de Paris (Suite)**
**Farandole (Suite) • Esmeralda • Little Dance Suite**
Moscow Symphony Orchestra / Adriano ............................ 8.225070

**Les Mariés de la Tour Eiffel**
Ensemble Erwartung / Bernard Desgrauzez ................. 8.223788

**Orphée • Ruy Blas • Thomas l’Imposteur**
**Les Parents Terribles**
Moscow Symphony Orchestra / Adriano ............................ 8.225066

**La Symphonie Pastorale • Macao, l’enfer du jeu**
**Du rififi chez les hommes • Le salaire de la peur**
Valse et Tango
Slovak RSO / Adriano .................................................. 8.225136

**AVSHALOMOFF, Aaron (1895 – 1964)**
Born in the Siberian city of Nikolayevsk in 1895, Aaron Avshalomoff became familiar with the sounds of China there, before making his escape east in 1917. He spent much of his life thereafter in China, working to provide a synthesis between Western and Chinese music. In 1947 he moved to the United States to join his musician son. His own music combines Chinese influences with Western techniques.

**Orchestral Music Vol. 1**
**Symphony No. 1 • Flute Concerto**
Nadine Asin, Flute / Moscow Symphony Orchestra / Jacob Avshalomov / David Avshalomov ......................... 8.225033

**Orchestral Music Vol. 2**
**Violin Concerto • Soul of the Ch’in**
The Hutongs of Peking
Moscow Symphony Orchestra / Jacob Avshalomov ............. 8.225034

**Orchestral Music Vol. 3**
**Piano Concerto • Symphony No. 2**
Elegy for Strings (David Avshalomov)
Moscow Symphony Orchestra / Jacob Avshalomov .......... 8.225035

**BABBADJANIAN, Arno (1921 – 1983)**
Born in the Armenian city of Erevan, Arno Babadjanian studied in Moscow, later returning to teach at the Erevan Conservatory. He is relatively conservative in musical language, with elements suggesting Khachaturian, Rachmaninov and Prokofiev, by turns, but identifiably Armenian in his musical terms of reference.

**Violin Sonata in B flat minor**
**Piano Trio in F sharp minor • Impromptu**
Ani Kavanian, Violin / Suren Bagratuni, Cello /
Avo Kuyumjian, Piano ................................................. 8.225030

**BALAKIREV, Mili Alexeyevich (1837 – 1910)**
Balakirev, a self-appointed leader of the Russian Mighty Handful, the group of five Russian nationalist composers, has been overshadowed by his colleagues Rimsky-Korsakov, Borodin and Mussorgsky, if not by César Cui. He was a prolific and more than competent composer in various genres. Best known of his works is the virtuoso piano piece Islamey, one of a number of compositions for the keyboard, including a set of Mazurkas and three Scherzi, suggesting a debt to Chopin overently acknowledged in his orchestral Chopin Suite.

**Chopin Suite • In Bohemia • King Lear**
**Overture on a Spanish March Theme**
Singapore SO / Choo Hoey .................................................. 8.220324

**Scherzi and Mazurkas (Complete)**
Joseph Banowetz, Piano ................................................. 8.220447

**BANTER, Harald (b. 1930)**
Harald Banter has won a reputation in Germany as a producer and broadcaster, as a pioneer in German jazz and as a composer, writing music of avowedly serious intent in which he explores deeper veins of musical experience. This last is particularly evident in his Phädra, inspired by the cellist Maria Kliegel and depicting the tragedy of the legendary Phaedra of the title.

**Phädra • Rhapsodic Intermezzo • Märchenbilder**
**Prolog 2000 • Tod des Aktaeon**
Maria Kliegel, Cello / Beate Berthold, Piano
North West German Philharmonic Orchestra
Michal Jurowski .......................................................... 8.223860

**BARGIEL, Woldemar (1828 – 1897)**
Woldemar Bargiel was the son of Marianne Tromlitz, first wife of Friedrich Wieck and mother of Clara Schumann, and was taught by Moscheles and Niels W. Gade in Leipzig, before returning to his native Berlin, where he was later appointed professor of composition at the invitation of Joachim. His music is influenced by Schumann, who regarded him as one of the leading composers of the younger generation.

**Three Character Pieces, Op. 8**
**Fantasies, Opp. 5 and 12 • Suite, Op. 31**
Daniel Blumenthal, Piano ................................................. 8.223606
BARRIOS, Ángel (1882 – 1964)

Composer, guitarist and violinist, Ángel Barrios was the son of the famous flamenco guitarist Antonio Barrios. He studied in Granada, Madrid and Paris and in Granada once more won a reputation as a performer with his Trio Iberia of guitar, lute and bandurria, providing his friend Manuel de Falla with a link to the world of flamenco. His compositions belong essentially to the music of Granada.

PIANO MUSIC (+ INFANTE)
Angelita-Tango • Juanele-Garrotín • Danza de la cautiva • Suite Seguidilla Gitana • La Ronda Alcaicería-Farruca • En las cuevas del Darro-Seguidilla • Gafiras
Eugenia Gabrielyuk, Piano ................................................................. 8.225164

BARRY, Gerald (b.1952)

The Irish composer Gerald Barry offers a considerable challenge to audiences in the musical idiom he has made his own, composing works with a wide frame of reference, as, for example, in his Chevaux-de-frise, based on thematic material derived from the ships of the Spanish Armada, wrecked on the coast of Ireland.

OF QUEEN’S GARDENS • CHEVAUX-DE-FRISE • FLAMBOYS
SUIRE LES POINTES • HARD D • DîNER
National Symphony Orchestra of Ireland / Robert Houlihan ................................................................. 8.225006

BARTÓK, Béla (1881 – 1945)

Bartók remains one of the most important composers of the twentieth century, with an individual musical language that absorbed and transformed material from his researches with his friend Kodály into the folk-music of Hungary and surrounding regions. Distinguished also as a pianist, Bartók made a number of interesting transcriptions of earlier music for the keyboard, a reflection of another aspect of his genius.

PIANO TRANSCRIPTIONS
(ITALIAN KEYBOARD MUSIC OF THE 17TH AND 18TH CENTURIES)
Ilona Prunyi, Piano ................................................................. 8.223663

BAX, Arnold (1883 – 1953)

Much influenced by the Irish poet W. B. Yeats, Arnold Bax identified strongly with the Celtic, expressed in his work as a composer in an easily assimilable musical language. Bax wrote a considerable amount of orchestral music and scores for the theatre and cinema, including music for the 1948 film of Dickens’s Oliver Twist. His Celtic preoccupations appear in a number of tone poems, including Tintagel and The Garden of Fand, and in many of his songs.

OH DEAR! WHAT CAN THE MATTER BE? (ARR. BAX)
(A SHEAF OF SONGS FROM IRELAND)
Bernadette Greevy, Mezzo-soprano / Hugh Tinney, Piano ................................................................. 8.225098

SINFONIETTA • OVERTURE, ELEGY AND RONDO
Slovak Philharmonic / Barry Wordsworth ................................................................. 8.223102

BELL, William Henry (1873 – 1946)

In earlier years a professor of harmony and counterpoint at the Royal Academy of Music in London, W. H. Bell moved in 1912 to South Africa as Principal of the South African College of Music in Cape Town and later as Professor of Music and Dean of the Music Faculty of the University of Cape Town. He exercised a strong influence on music in South Africa.

A SOUTH AFRICAN SYMPHONY
(SOUTH AFRICAN ORCHESTRAL WORKS)
National Symphony Orchestra and Chamber Choir of the South African Broadcasting Corporation / Richard Cook ................................................................. 8.223833

BELLA, Ján Levoslav (1843 – 1936)

The Slovak composer Ján Levoslav Bella, ordained priest in 1866, was associated with the Cecilian movement in his native country, later leaving the priesthood to become director of music in Hermannstadt, now Sibiu in modern Romania, with its then considerable German population. In the next forty years he established a reputation as a conductor and composer, respected by his contemporaries Brahms, Hans von Bülow, Joachim, Dohnányi and others and writing music that at times echoes Liszt or Schumann and at times is overtly Slovak.

SONATA • PIECE FOR PIANO • SONATINA
FOUR LITTLE PIECES • VARIATIONS, OP. 9 AND 21
Daniela Ruso, Piano ................................................................. 8.223644

STRING QUARTET, OP. 25 • STRING QUINTET IN D MINOR
Moyzes Quartet / František Magyar, 2nd Viola ................................................................. 8.223658

STRING QUARTET IN E MINOR • STRING QUINTET IN B FLAT MAJOR • NOTTUNO FOR STRING QUARTET
Moyzes Quartet ................................................................. 8.223839

BENJAMIN, Arthur (1893 – 1960)

Born in Australia, Arthur Benjamin made his career largely in England, where he studied and later taught. He won some fame as a composer of light music, notably for pieces of Caribbean or Latin American inspiration, but coupled this with work of much more serious intent. While generally cheerful in musical temperament, his Symphony reflects a more sombre side to his work.

SYMPHONY NO. 1 • BALLADE FOR STRING ORCHESTRA
Queensland Symphony Orchestra / Christopher Lyndon-Gee ................................................................. 8.223764

BENNETT, William Sterndale (1816 – 1875)

William Sterndale Bennett enjoyed the friendship and encouragement of Mendelssohn and Schumann, but devoted much of his career to teaching and administration as professor of music at Cambridge and later as principal of the Royal Academy of Music in London. A gifted pianist, he composed a variety of pieces for the piano, in addition to his four piano concertos.

PIANO WORKS VOLUME 1
4 PIECES • ALLEGRO GRAZIOSO • GENEVIEVE
RONDO PIACEVOLE • SCHERZO • 3 MUSICAL SKETCHES
The Maid of Orleans
Ilona Prunyi, Piano ................................................................. 8.223512

* To be released
BERWALD, Franz (1796 – 1868)

The violinist and composer Franz Berwald has some claim to pre-eminence among Swedish composers, with three of his four mature symphonies written in the 1840s, at the height of his career. He turned his attention to chamber music in the decade from 1849, with compositions that include four attractive piano trios.

Piano Trios Volume 2
C major • E flat major (Fragment) • C major
Kalman Drai, Piano / Joseph Madrian, Violin / György Kertész, Cello ........................................... 8.223430

BINGE, Ronald (1910 – 1979)

Born in Derby in 1910, Ronald Binge’s career was chiefly as a composer and arranger of light music, initially for silent films and then for Mantovani, with whom he worked from 1935, with a break of five years for war service, later resigning in order to devote himself to composition.

Elizabehan Serenade • The Watermill
A Scottish Rhapsody • The Whispering Valley Trade
Winds • Concerto for Alto Saxophone
Slovak RSO / Ernest Tomlinson ........................................... 8.223515

BLISS, Arthur (1891 – 1975)

After early experiment, the English composer Arthur Bliss developed a more conventional Romantic musical idiom that won him a contemporary audience, with a number of film scores, incidental music for the theatre and ballet music. As Master of the Queen’s Musick he duly provided the music necessary for ceremonial occasions.

Christopher Columbus • Seven Waves Away
Baraza • Men of Two Worlds
Slovak RSO / Adriano ...................................................... 8.223315

BLOCH, Ernest (1880 – 1959)

Born in Switzerland, Ernest Bloch later became an American citizen, while retaining always a strong Jewish identity that led to a number of compositions of overtly Jewish inspiration. A series of orchestral compositions followed his First Symphony, completed in 1902, including, in 1916, the well known Schelomo for cello and orchestra. His piano music covers a period from 1914 to his last decade, with pieces of wit, invention and of weightier content.

Four Episodes
(+ Schoenberg / Wolf-Ferrari)
MiNensemblet ...................................................................... 8.223668

Piano Works (Complete) Volume 1
Poems of the Sea • Nirvana • In the Night
Five Sketches in Sepia • Enfantes
Four Circus Pieces
István Kassai, Piano ...................................................... 8.223288

Piano Works (Complete) Volume 2
Ex-voto • Sonata • Danse sacrée
Visions and Prophecies
István Kassai, Piano ...................................................... 8.223289

Symphony in C sharp minor
Slovak Philharmonic / Stephen Gunzenhauser ................................ 8.223103

BERNERS, Lord (1883 – 1950)

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Le Carrosse du Saint-Sacrement • Fanfare • Caprice Péruvien
Soloists / Royal Ballet Sinfonia / RTE Sinfonietta / BBC Scottish Symphony Orchestra / Gavin Sutherland / David Lloyd-Jones / Nicholas Cleobury ........................................... 8.223515

Les Sirènes (Complete Ballet) • Caprice Péruvien
Caprice and Psyche (Ballet Suite)
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Songs and Piano Music
Ian Partridge, Tenor / Len Vorster, Piano ........................................... 8.225159

The Triumph of Neptune • L’omo dai Baffi
Valses Bourgeoises • Polka
English Northern Philharmonic / Royal Ballet Sinfonia / David Lloyd-Jones ........................................... 8.223711

Wedding Bouquet • Luna Park • March
RTE Sinfonietta and Chamber Choir / Kenneth Alwyn ........................................... 8.223716

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The Belgian composer Peter Benoît was a pupil of Félix at the Brussels Conservatory, winning the Belgian Prix de Rome in 1857 and subsequently moving to Paris as conductor at the Bouffes-Parisiens. Returning to Belgium, he founded in Antwerp the Flemish Music School, later the Royal Flemish Conservatory of Music. As a composer he aimed to create a school of Flemish music comparable to the national achievements of Liszt, Berlioz and Wagner.

In the Fields
(‡ Meulemans / MorTELmans / Van HOOF)
(Flemish Romantic Music II)
Joost Gils, Oboe / VRT Philharmonic Orchestra / Silvere Van den Broeck ........................................... 8.225101

Piano Concerto • Flute Concerto
Overture: Le roi des aulnes
Luc Devos, Piano / Gaby Van Riet, Flute / Royal Flanders Philharmonic Orchestra / Frédéric Devreese ........................................... 8.223827

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RTE Sinfonietta and Chamber Choir / Kenneth Alwy
**BLOCKX, Jan (1851 – 1912)**

The Flemish Dances of Jan Blockx are a characteristic reflection of the music of Belgium. A pupil of Peter Benoit and, in Leipzig, a friend of Grieg and of Sinding, he is an important composer of Flemish opera, here and elsewhere drawing on the traditions of Flemish folk-music in which he had been trained.

**Flemish Dances (FLEMISH ROMANTIC MUSIC)**

BRT Philharmonic Orchestra, Brussels / Alexander Rhabari  
8.223418

**BLUMENFELD, Felix (1863 – 1931)**

A Ukrainian of Polish extraction, Felix Blumenfeld was a pupil of Rimsky-Korsakov and himself taught piano at the St Petersburg Conservatory, where his pupils included Horowitz. As a pianist he followed the tradition of Anton Rubinstein, an influence apparent in his own compositions for the piano.

**Etudes**

Daniel Blumenthal, Piano  
8.223656

**BODLEY, Seóirse (b. 1933)**

Seóirse Bodley was born in Dublin in 1933 and studied at the Royal Irish Academy of Music and at University College, Dublin, spending the years from 1957 to 1959 in Stuttgart, where he studied with Johann Nepomuk David. He returned to Dublin to take up a position at University College. Active as a conductor and accompanist, he has coupled an interest in contemporary trends in music with a study of Irish folk-music and of traditional Gaelic singing. Bodley’s Symphony No.4 includes Irish elements in a modern context, while Symphony No.5 was written to mark the Limerick Treaty and the preceding historical sieges and conflicts.

**Symphonies Nos. 4 & 5 “The Limerick Symphony”**

National Symphony Orchestra of Ireland / Colman Pearce  
8.225157

**BOECK, August de (1865 – 1937)**

Influenced by Rimsky-Korsakov and the Russian ‘Five’, the Belgian composer August de Boeck was taught by Paul Gilson, with whom he is credited with the introduction of musical impressionism into Belgium. He was among the most distinguished Belgian composers of his generation, contributing notably to music for the stage, choral and chamber music.

**Fantasy on Two Flemish Folksongs (FLEMISH ROMANTIC MUSIC)**

BRT Philharmonic Orchestra, Brussels / Alexander Rhabari  
8.223418

**Symphony in G • Violin Concerto**

Dahomeyan Rhapsody

Guido De Neve, Violin / Royal Flanders Philharmonic Orchestra / Frédéric Devreese  
8.223740

**BOÉLLMANN, Léon (1862 – 1897)**

The best known music by the French organist Boëllmann is the organ Toccata from his Suite Gothique, an obligatory and apparent tour de force for any performer on the instrument. He wrote music in other genres, however, including, in the 1890s, a piano quartet and piano trio.

**Flemish Romantique Music**

BRT Philharmonic Orchestra, Brussels / Emile Naoumoff, Piano / Daniel Frère / Isabelle Sabrié, Soprano / Sylvie Robert, Soprano / Roland Pidoux, Cello / Catherine Marchese, Bassoon / Catherine Marchese, Bassoon / Emile Naoumoff, Piano  
8.223524

**BORODIN, Alexander Porfir’yevich (1833 – 1887)**

The illegitimate son of a Georgian prince, Borodin enjoyed a public career as a professor of chemistry, to which his activity as a composer took second place. He was one of the group of Russian nationalist composers known as the Five or the Mighty Handful and is best known for his unfinished opera Prince Igor, the second of his string quartets and his two completed symphonies, with the musical picture In the Steppes of Central Asia. His completed chamber music includes an attractive piano quintet, two string quartets and a cello sonata.

**Piano Quintet • String Quintet • Cello Sonata**

Ottó Kertész Jr., Cello / Ilona Prunyi, Piano / New Budapest Quartet  
8.223172

**BOULANGER, Lili (1893 – 1918)**

Younger sister of Nadia Boulanger, Lili Boulanger, in her short life, left her own mark on French music. She was the first woman to win the Grand Prix de Rome and left music that was evocative and very much reflected the art of the Impressionists in its beauty.

**Thème et variations • D’un matin de printemps • Nocturne • Cortège • Clairières dans le ciel • D’un vieux jardin • D’un jardin clair**

Dans l’immense tristesse • Le Retour

Pie Jesu (+ NADIA BOULANGER)

Olivier Charlier, Violin / Doris Reinhardt, Mezzo-Soprano / Isabelle Sabrié, Soprano / Sylvie Robert, Soprano / Roland Pidoux, Cello / Catherine Marchese, Bassoon / Emile Naoumoff, Piano  
8.223636

**BOULANGER, Nadia (1887 – 1979)**

Nadia Boulanger composed principally between 1906 and 1922, thereafter establishing a position as the leading teacher of composition to a whole generation of composers, in particular a series of young American composers from Aaron Copland onwards. Her effect on twentieth century music and taste has been very considerable.

**Lux aeterna • Le Conte • Vers la vie nouvelle**

Cello and Piano Works (+ LILI BOULANGER)

Olivier Charlier, Violin / Doris Reinhardt, Mezzo-Soprano / Isabelle Sabrié, Soprano / Sylvie Robert, Soprano / Roland Pidoux, Cello / Catherine Marchese, Bassoon / Emile Naoumoff, Piano  
8.223636

**BOURGAULT–DUCOUDRAY, Louis-Albert (1840 – 1910)**

Louis-Albert Bourgault-Ducoudray studied in Nantes and in 1862 won the Prix de Rome. He was among the first musicians to introduce French audiences to the exotic, from both the popular and the classical domain. Rapsodie cambodgienne, written in 1882, with the subtitle Khnênh Préavossa (The Feast of Water), is a colourful oriental rhapsody, making use of themes from Cambodia, much as the Russian nationalists had turned to exotic musical material.

**Rapsodie cambodgienne (+FANELLI)**

Slovak Radio Symphony Orchestra / Adriano  
8.225234
BOYDELL, Brian (1917 – 2000)
Born in Dublin and educated at Cambridge and Heidelberg, at the Royal College of Music in London and at the Dublin Royal Irish Academy, Brian Boydell played a leading part in the development of music in Ireland as a conductor, composer, teacher and adviser. His very varied works are generally tonal but by no means conventional in their terms of reference or musical treatment, exploring scale material of different kinds and modal writing that reflects the national Irish origin of his inspiration.

In Memoriam Mahatma Gandhi
Violin Concerto • Masai Mara, Op. 87
Megalithic Ritual Dances for Large Orchestra
Sinfonietta
Variations Concertantes

8.223876

BRAGA SANTOS, Joly (1924 - 1988)
A pupil of Freitas Branco, Joly Braga Santos, the leading Portuguese symphonist of his generation, developed his personal style from something akin to English composers of the 1930s to an idiom taking account of other musical development and of national elements.

Concerto in D • Double Concerto for Violin, Cello, Strings and Harp • Variations Concertantes
Sinfonietta

8.225186

SYMPHONY NO. 1 • SYMPHONY NO. 5, ‘VIRTUS LUSITANIAE’

8.223879

BRIDGE, Frank (1879 – 1941)
Frank Bridge, the much respected teacher of Benjamin Britten, was a distinguished viola-player and, as a composer, initially in the romantic tradition, His Cello Sonata marks a period of transition towards a much more radical style, the result of his despair at the uselessness of war.

Cello Sonata • Mélodie (+ TOVEY)

8.223637

BRUNEAU, Alfred (1857 – 1934)
The name of Alfred Bruneau must be associated particularly with that of the novelist Zola, his collaborator in a number of successful operas, in a French version of the realism current in contemporary opera in Italy. Bruneau wrote a quantity of vocal music, in addition to his music for the theatre, with orchestral music that often demonstrates the influence of Wagner.

Entr'acte pour IVe acte de Messidor
Prélude du Naïs Micoulin
Suite tirée de l'Opéra L'attaque du moulin

8.223498

BUCKLEY, John (b. 1951)
A pupil of James Wilson in Dublin and of Alun Hoddinott in Cardiff, John Buckley has won an established position as a composer in his native Ireland, writing music that ranges from exciting energy to the icy picture of winter that opens his First Symphony, a work that follows the progress of the seasons.

Organ Concerto • Symphony No. 1

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BÜLOW, Hans von (1830 – 1894)

Hans von Bülow, distinguished as a pianist and as a conductor, became a piano pupil of Liszt, whose daughter Cosima he married, and was encouraged as a conductor by Wagner, who married Cosima after her divorce from her first husband. Von Bülow’s compositions for piano are technically demanding, as befits one of Liszt’s most distinguished pupils.

CAPLET, André (1878 – 1925)

An associate and trusted collaborator with Debussy, André Caplet won the Prix de Rome in 1901, establishing himself as a composer and later as a conductor of eminence. He was entrusted by Debussy with completing the orchestration of the former’s Le martyre de Saint-Sébastien and the direction of its first performance.

Le Miroir de Jésus
Brigitte Desnoeux, Mezzo-soprano / Maîtrise de Radio France / Orchestre des Pays de Savoie / Mark Foster .................... 8.225043

Myrrha (Cantata) (+ DEBUSSY / RAVEL)
Sharon Coste, Soprano / Marc Duguay, Tenor / Jean-François Grimbert ................................................................ 8.223755

Nihavend • Légende • Marche triomphale et pompière • (Debussy) Children’s Corner • Clair de Lune • Pagodes
Rheinland-Pfalz Philharmonic / Leif Segerstam .................... 8.223751

CASTELNUOVO-TEDESCO, Mario (1895 – 1968)

Born in Florence, Castelnuovo-Tedesco, who was of Jewish origin, moved to the United States in 1939. He was one of the most prolific Italian composers of his generation and wrote a considerable quantity of music in an attractive idiom. Among his most successful compositions are his Shakespeare songs, written in the 1920s, and followed by settings of a number of Shakespeare sonnets in later years.

Shakespeare Songs
Anne Victoria Banks, Soprano / William Wellborn, Piano ........................................................................ 8.223729

CASTILLO, Ricardo (1894 – 1967)

Ricardo Castillo studied music in Paris, with harmony lessons from Paul Vidal, returning to his native Guatemala after some sixteen years in France, to teach subsequently at the National Conservatory. His Sinfonietta is neo-classical in style, while in other orchestral compositions he came to explore the early legends of Guatemala.

Guatemala
Paál Kabá • Estelas de Tikal • Quiché Achi
La Doncella Ixquic • Abstracción
Instantáneas Plásticas
Moscow Symphony Orchestra / Antonio de Almeida ............. 8.223719

Piano Music Vol. 1
Massimiliano Damerini, Piano ........................................ 8.225077

Sinfonietta • Xibalbá • Guatemala I • Guatemala II (+ MARTINEZ-SOBRAL)
Moscow Symphony Orchestra / Antonio de Almeida ............. 8.223710

CHOPIN, Fryderyk (1810 – 1849)

The greater part of Chopin’s music is for his own instrument, the piano. His Variations on a Theme from Rossini’s Le Cenerentola, originally for flute and piano, is more widely known in an arrangement for flute and harp.

Variations on a Theme of Rossini
(ROMANTIC MUSIC FOR FLUTE AND HARP)
Marc Grauwels, Flute / Catherine Michel, Harp .................... 8.220441

CIMAROSA, Domenico (1749 – 1801)

Trained in Naples, where he was employed as a successful composer of comic opera and a member of the court chapel, Cimarosa also won a wider name for himself, serving at court in St Petersburg and later in Vienna, before returning to Naples. There he sided with Republicans and was briefly imprisoned when the monarchy was restored. He spent his last days in Venice. A near contemporary of Mozart, he wrote attractive and successful music for the theatre, exemplified in the overtures to his operas.

Overtures
Volodimiro • La baronessa Stramba • Le stravaganze del conte • Il matrimonio segreto • L’infedeltà fedele
Il ritorno di Don Calendrino • Il Falegname
Cleopatra • Il convito • La vergine del sole
Il credulo • L’impresario in angustie • La vergine del sole
Nicolaus Esterhazy Sinfonia / Alessandro Amoretti ............. 8.225181

ČIURLIONIS, Mikolajus Konstantinas (1875 – 1911)

The Lithuanian painter and composer Čiurlionis studied music in Warsaw and then in Leipzig, returning to Warsaw to study further as a painter. His colourful orchestral music includes evocative programme pieces, notably the symphonic poems The Sea and In the Forest.

Piano Works Volume 1
Mûza Rubackyté, Piano .................................................... 8.223549

Piano Works Volume 2
Mûza Rubackyté, Piano .................................................... 8.223550

The Sea • In the Forest • Five Preludes
Slovak Philharmonic / Juozas Domarkas ............................ 8.223323

COATES, Eric (1886 – 1957)

The English composer Eric Coates won a reputation chiefly for light music, of which his march Knightsbridge, from his London Suite, is among the best known examples. Particularly familiar is the March from the film The Dam Busters.

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By the Sleepy Lagoon • Springtime Suite
Saxo-Rhapsody Footlights Waltz • Four Ways Suite
8th Army March • Lazy Night • Last Love
High Flight March
Slovak RSO / Andrew Penny ........................................ 8.223521

Songs: Four Old English Songs
The Mill o’ Dreams • Princess of the Dawn
and others
Richard Edgar-Wilson, Tenor / Eugene Asti, Piano / Michael Ponder, Viola ................................. 8.223806

The Merrymakers • London Suite • Cinderella
The Selfish Giant • London Again Suite
Calling All Workers • The Dam Busters
Slovak RSO / Adrian Leaper ........................................ 8.223445

COlERIDGe-TAYLor, Samuel (1875 – 1912)
Born in London, the son of a doctor from Sierra Leone and an English mother, Samuel Coleridge-Taylor is best known for his settings of Longfellow’s poem Hiawatha and by his orchestral Petite suite de concert, which also appeared in a popular keyboard version. His style has been compared to that of Dvořák and he shared at least with that composer a source of inspiration in Longfellow.
Hiawatha Overture • Petite Suite • Four Waltzes
Gipsy Suite • Romance • Othello Suite
RTE Concert Orchestra / Adrian Leaper ........................... 8.223516

CONFREy, Zez (1895 – 1971)
Best remembered for his Kitten on the Keys, a piano piece that breathes the spirit of the 1920s, Zez Confrey remains one of the most creative American composers of light piano music of his time.
Piano Music
African Suite • Wise Cracker Suite
Kitten on the Keys
Moods for a New Yorker and others
Etri Andjaparidze, Piano ........................................ 8.223826

COrCORAN, Frank (b. 1944)
The Irish composer Frank Corcoran studied in Dublin and in Rome, before working under Boris Blacher in Berlin. He has made his career largely in Germany, teaching composition in Hamburg and winning a European reputation for his idiosyncratic work.

Symphonies Nos. 2, 3 & 4
National Symphony Orchestra of Ireland / Colman Pearce ................................................................. 8.225107

COWEN, Frederic Hymen (1852 – 1935)
Well known in his time as a conductor, pianist and composer, Frederic Cowen was once known as ‘the English Schubert’ for his contribution to English song. He regarded himself as a symphonist, with six symphonies to his credit, but excelled in lighter music, exemplified in the concert overture The Butterfly’s Ball, inspired by a well known children’s poem. More exotic is his Indian Rhapsody, first performed at the Hereford Festival in 1903.

Symphony No. 3 “Scandinavian”
The Butterfly’s Ball • Indian Rhapsody
Slovak State Philharmonic / Adrian Leaper ........................ 8.223273

CUI, César (1835 – 1918)
A member of the Five, the Mighty Handful of Russian nationalist composers led by Balakirev, César Cui enjoyed a public career as a professor of military fortification. He was well known as a music critic, his harsh judgements as depressing to Tchaikovsky as they later were to Rachmaninov. As a composer he was happier in smaller forms, where he reached a level of achievement not equalled in his ambitious operas. Shorter orchestral works include four attractive suites.

Suite Op. 43 “In Modo Populari”
Takako Nishizaki, Violin / Hong Kong PO / Kenneth Schermerhorn .................................................. 8.220308

Suite No. 2, Op. 38 • The Buccaneer
Suite No. 4 “A Argenteau”, Op. 40
Slovak RSO / Robert Stankovsky .................................... 8.223400

CURZON, Frederic (1899 – 1973)
Curzon spent his career in the composition and performance of light music, in the second capacity as an organist. His well known compositions, including the suites In Malaga and Robin Hood, show a thoroughly competent handling of English light musical idiom.

The Boulevardier • Punchinello • In Malaga
Dance of An Ostracised Imp • Spanish Caprice
Robin Hood Suite
Slovak RSO / Adrian Leaper ........................................ 8.223425

DAVID, Félicien (1810 – 1876)
Félicien David was closely associated with the Saint-Simonians, at first in France and then for a time in Egypt, where he was drawn to oriental and exotic subjects, evident in his piano pieces Les brises d’orient and Les minarets, and in much else that he wrote, in a career that eventually brought him official distinction in Paris.

Les Brises d’Orient • Les Minarets
Daniel Blumenthal, Piano ........................................ 8.223376
Piano Trios Nos. 2 & 3
Ilona Pruniy, Piano / Eszter Perényi, Violin / Tibor Párkányi, Cello .............................................. 8.223492

DAVID, Ferdinand (1810 – 1873)
Ferdinand David is better remembered as a violinist than as composer. He worked with Mendelssohn as leader of the Leipzig Gewandhaus Orchestra, retraining the position until his death. Respected as a teacher and as editor, particularly of violin studies, he was also a prolific composer in a style typical of its period and place.

Introduction and Variations on a theme by Schubert,
Op. 3 (CLARINET AND ORCHESTRA)
Dieter Klöcker, Clarinet / Slovak RSO / Gernot Schmalfuss ........................................ 8.223431

DE GREEF, Arthur (1862 – 1940)
The Belgian pianist and composer Arthur De Greef enjoyed a very considerable reputation in the former capacity, as a pupil of Liszt and later of Saint-Saëns and a brilliant virtuoso performer. As a composer De Greef shows a generally romantic
temperament, with piano concertos as a vehicle for his own virtuosity and other compositions that reflect his background and character. His Piano Concerto No. 1 was dedicated to Saint-Saëns, who expressed great enthusiasm about the work, while Piano Concerto No. 2 follows a programme of anguish, separation and renewed hope.

**Piano Concertos Nos. 1 & 2**
André de Groote, Piano / Moscow Symphony Orchestra / Frédéric Devreese ................................................................. 8.223810

**DEANE, Raymond (b. 1953)**
The Irish composer Raymond Deane studied music in Dublin, going on to further study of composition under Gerald Bennett in Basle, Karlheinz Stockhausen in Cologne and the late Isang Yun in Berlin. His Violin Concerto is based on a story by E.T.A. Hoffmann, while his Oboe Concerto features the soloist as an exile from an often aggressive orchestra.

**Oboe Concerto • Kreispe1's Concerto • Quarternion**
Anthony Byrne, Piano / Matthew Manning, Oboe / Alan Smale, Violin / National Symphony Orchestra of Ireland / Pierce Colman ................................................................. 8.225106

**DEBUSSY, Claude (1862 – 1918)**
Claude Debussy occupies a position of central importance not only in the music of his native France but in the development of music in the twentieth century. While much of his piano music is very well known, less familiar are transcriptions for piano that he made largely as a student. These include, in particular, arrangements for Nadezhd von Meck, the patroness and confidante of Tchaikovsky, in whose family Debussy spent holiday periods as teacher of her younger children and house-musician. His Prix de Rome competition entry Le Printemps deserves attention as more than a curiosity, while The Girl with the Flaxen Hair, originally a piano piece, is popular in a variety of arrangements.

**Arrangements for 2 Pianos**
Daniel Blumenthal / Robert Grosot ......................... 8.223378

**Le Printemps (Cantata) (+ CAPLET / RAVEL)**
Brigitte Desnoues, Soprano / Marc Duguay, Tenor / Jean-François Lapointe, Baritone / Chœur et Orchestre de Paris-Sorbonne / Jacques Grimbert ................................................................. 8.223755

**DELIUS, Frederick (1862 – 1934)**
Born in the northern English city of Bradford into a family of German origin, Delius seems a quintessentially English composer, in spite of his musical training in Leipzig and his subsequent long residence in France. Less well known than his rhapsodic celebrations of England are his American Rhapsody, recalling a period spent as an orange-grower in Florida, and Paa Vidderne, inspired by Ibsen, evidence of Delius’s friendship with Grieg.

**American Rhapsody • Norwegian Suite Paa Vidderne • Spring Morning**
Slovak Philharmonic Orchestra / John Hopkins ......................... 8.220452

**DEMUS, Jörg (b. 1928)**
Distinguished as a pianist, Jörg Demus studied in Vienna, where he made his début in 1953. Well known both as a soloist and as a partner in song recitals and in chamber music, he has also made his own particular contribution to chamber music, not least in his music for cello and piano.

**Works for Cello and Piano**
*Sonate poétique*, Op. 8 • *Amour*, Op. 21
*Sonata “Il Tramonto”, Op. 35 • Nuit d’Étoiles, Op. 14*
Maria Kliegel, Cello / Jörg Demus, Piano ................................. 8.225036

**DESSAU, Paul (1894 – 1979)**
Paul Dessau enjoyed early distinction in Germany as a conductor, subsequently developing his gifts as a composer. Political circumstances led him to move to Paris in 1933 and in 1939 to the United States of America, where he continued an earlier collaboration with Brecht and worked as a film composer in Hollywood. He returned to East Germany in 1948, and worked further with Brecht, as well as contributing notably to a variety of musical genres.

**House of Frankenstein**
Moscow Symphony Orchestra / William T. Stromberg ......................... 8.223748

**DEUTSCH, Adolph (1897 – 1980)**
Born in London and trained there at the Royal Academy of Music, Adolph Deutsch settled in the United States in 1910, by the 1920s working as a dance-band arranger. He found his true vocation in music for the cinema, working for Warner Bros and, from 1948, for M-G-M, followed by United Artists. His work for Warner Bros included scores for films such as The Maltese Falcon, High Sierra, The Mask of Dimitrios and Northern Pursuit, released in the early 1940s.

**The Maltese Falcon • George Washington Slept Here The Mask of Dimitrios • High Sierra • Northern Pursuit**
Moscow Symphony Orchestra / William T. Stromberg ................................. 8.225169

**DEVREESE, Frédéric (b. 1929)**
The Belgian conductor and composer Frédéric Devreese had his musical training in Rome and Vienna, returning to make a career largely in Belgian Radio and Television. His piano concertos are in an eclectic but immediately comprehensible musical language.

**Benvenuta Suite • Un Soir, un Train L’Oeuvre au Noir Suite • Belle**
BRT Philharmonic, Brussels / Frédéric Devreese ......................... 8.223681

**Piano Concertos Nos. 2, 3 & 4**
Daniel Blumenthal / BRT Philharmonic, Brussels / Frédéric Devreese ................................. 8.223505

**23 Pieces for Piano**
André de Groote, Piano ................................................................. 8.223651

**DEVREESE, Godfried (1893 – 1972)**
The Belgian violinist Godfried Devreese was a pupil of Ysaÿe and César Thomson. He led the Kurhaus Orchestra in The Hague and was a member of the Concertgebouw Orchestra in Amsterdam, also working as a conductor in Antwerp and Brussels. He spent some 29 years as director of the Malines Conservatory, establishing the city as an important musical centre. The compositions of Devreese, romantic in general

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style, include concertos, symphonies and a wide variety of works. His reputation as a composer has remained largely limited to his own country.

**Symphony No. 1 “The Gothic” • Poème Héroïque**
*In Memoriam*
Moscow Symphony Orchestra / Frédéric Devreese ............. 8.223739

**Tombelène • Violin Concerto No. 1**
*Cello Concertino*
Guido de Neve, Violin / Viviane Spanoghe, Cello / BRT Philharmonic, Brussels / Frédéric Devreese ............. 8.223680

**DIJK, Péter Louis Van (b. 1953)**

Peter Louis Van Dijk occupies an important position in the music of South Africa, known as a composer for his use of elements of indigenous African music in his work, not least in the San Gloria, which makes use of the Gloria in excelsis of Western Catholic tradition and of themes and rhythms drawn from the music of Bushmen.

**San Gloria • San Chronicle (for Chamber Orchestra)**
*(AFRICAN SONGS)*
National Symphony Orchestra and Chamber Choir of the South African Broadcasting Corporation / Richard Cock ..... 8.223832

**DOCKER, Robert (1919 – 1992)**

Born in London, Robert Docker enjoyed an early career as an arranger and accompanist, particularly in lighter music. His achievement as a composer, both in Britain and Australia, was considerable, including the familiar Legend, the classic light miniature Tabarinage and his tribute to Wales in the St David’s Day The Spirit of Cambria.

**Orchestral Music**
Tabarinage • Pastiche Variations • Legend Fairy Dance Reel
William Davies, Piano / David Presley, Oboe / RTE Concert Orchestra / Barry Knight ................................. 8.223837

**DONIZETTI, Gaetano (1797 – 1848)**

Donizetti is well known as one of the leading composers of Italian opera, particularly in the period immediately before Verdi’s successful Nabucco in 1842, shortly before the staging of Donizetti’s final operas. Donizetti’s other works include a large number of songs and other vocal compositions, piano music and interesting early chamber music that is very much in the Italian style of the period.

**Instrumental Concertos**
Soloists / Camerata Budapest / László Kovács .......... 8.223701
Sinfonias (D minor • A major • D major)
Falloni Chamber Orchestra / Géza Oberfrank ............. 8.223577
Sonata (ROMANTIC MUSIC FOR FLUTE AND HARP)
Marc Grauwels, Flute / Catherine Michel, Harp .......... 8.220441

**DROUET, Louis (1792 – 1873)**

The French flautist Louis Drouet enjoyed a long and generally successful career, visiting a number of countries and cities during his life. His Variations on Believe me, if all those endearing young charms date from a period when he had set up business in London, after his first successful concerts there.

**Introduction and Variations on an English Theme**
*(ROMANTIC MUSIC FOR FLUTE AND HARP)*
Marc Grauwels, Flute / Catherine Michel, Harp .............. 8.220441

**DUBOIS, Pierre Max (1930 – 1995)**

A pupil of DariusMilhaud at the Paris Conservatoire, Pierre Max Dubois won the Grand Prix de Rome in 1955 and continued a career in Paris as a teacher and composer, with some twenty symphonies to his credit among a variety of other works. His masterly and attractive Saxophone Concerto for the saxophonist Daniel Gremelle was completed a few days before his death.

**Concerto No. 2 for Alto Saxophone and Orchestra**
*(FRENCH SAXOPHONE CONCERTOS)*
(+ RIVIER / SCIORTINO)
Daniel Gremelle, Saxophone / Slovak State Philharmonic Orchestra (Košice) / Bystrík Režucha ............................... 8.225127

**DUNCAN, Trevor (b. 1924)**

Much of the music of Trevor Duncan must be well known to listeners, not least the March from his Little Suite, used as the signature-tune for the BBC series Dr. Finlay’s Casebook. For many years a sound-engineer with the BBC, Duncan, a self-taught composer, provided music for cinema news-reels and a stream of well-crafted light music, much of it now very familiar.

**Little Suite • Children in the Park**
20th Century Express • Maestro Variations
The Girl from Corsica • Meadow Mist
Valse Mignonette • Wine Festival • Sixpenny Ride
Enchanted April • St. Boniface Down • La Torrida
The Visionaries Grand March • Little Debbie
High Heels
Slovak RSO / Andrew Penny ........................................ 8.223517

**DVOŘÁK, Antonín (1841 – 1904)**

The Czech composer Antonín Dvořák spent the earlier part of his life as a viola-player in the Prague Czech Theatre and during his later career wrote a number of Czech operas which are less often heard abroad than his very familiar symphonies, concertos and chamber music. An introduction to some of the music of the operas may be found in collections of Overtures and in orchestral excerpts from works by which the composer set very considerable store.

**Opera Overtures and Preludes**
CSSR State Philharmonic / Robert Stankovsky ............ 8.223272

**Rhapsody Op. 14**
Overtures (Vanda / Selma Sedlak / Dramatic)
Slovak Philharmonic / Libor Pešek /
Stephen Gunzenhauser ............................................. 8.220420

**EINEM, Gottfried von (1918 – 1996)**

Gottfried von Einem was among the most distinguished Austrian composers, educated in Germany and in England and a pupil of Boris Blacher. His musical language is tonal, often with a tendency to the neo-classical. His Violin Concerto, completed in 1967, is a good introduction to his music.

**Violin Concerto, Op. 33**
Night on Bare Mountain • Kupelwieser-Walzer
Christiane Edinger / NDR Symphony Orchestra /
Alfred Walter ....................................................... 8.223138

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EMMANUEL, Maurice (1862 – 1938)

Maurice Emmanuel was at first a pupil of Delibes at the Paris Conservatoire, but disagreement led instead to private lessons with Bizet’s friend Guiraud. He later taught history of music at the Conservatoire, showing a particular interest in folk-song and modal music, elements in his own style as a composer. His breadth of interest is shown in three stage-works, two based on Aeschylus and one on Plautus. His wide general interests and detailed knowledge of the history of Western music are reflected in his two symphonies and other orchestral works, with a second Breton symphony based on the legend of the submerged kingdom of le roi d’Ys.

Songs of Burgundy
Florence Kaiz, mezzo-soprano / Jean-Pierre Quenaudon, tenor / Laure Riviere, piano / Choeur Régional de Bourgogne / Roger Toullet .......................................................... 8.223891

Symphonies Nos. 1 & 2 • Le poème du Rhône
Rhenish PO / James Lockhart / Gilles Nopre .......................... 8.223507

ENESCU, George (1881 – 1955)

Enescu enjoyed a double career as a violinist and as a composer. Although based for many years in Paris, he was nevertheless responsible for modern musical developments in his native Romania. His Romanian Rhapsodies remain in popular repertoire, but give little indication of a much wider range of compositions, including symphonies, orchestral suites and chamber music.

Cello Sonata, Op. 26, No. 1 (+VILLA-LOBOS)
Rebecca Rust, Cello / David Apter, Piano ........................................... 8.223298

Suites Nos. 1 & 2 • Concert Overture
Romanian Radio & TV Orchestra / Iosif Conta / Constantin Silvestri .......................................................... 8.223144

Suite No. 3 “Village” • Suite Châtelaine
Voix de la Nature
Romanian Radio & TV Orchestra / Timiseara Banatul PO / Iosif Comta / Remus Georgescu ..................................................... 8.223145

Symphony No. 1 • Sinfonia Concertante
Valentin Arcu, Cello / George Enescu State PO / Mihai Brediceanu / Iosif Comta ..................................................... 8.223141

Symphony No. 2 • “Vox Maris” Symphonic Poem
George Enescu State PO / Chorus & Orchestra of Iasy Moldova Philharmonic / Horia Andreeescu / Ion Baciu .............................................. 8.223142

Symphony No. 3
Chamber Symphony for 12 Solo Instruments
Cluj-Napoca PO & Chorus / Ion Baciu ............................................... 8.223143

ERKEL, Ferenc (1810 – 1893)

Descended from a family resident for generations in the then Hungarian city of Pozsony (the modern Slovakian capital Bratislava), Ferenc Erkel was a leading figure in Hungarian music in a period of growing national fervour. This is evident in his piano music, much of it written in the 1840s, testimony to his own distinction as a pianist.

Opera Transcriptions
István Kassai, Piano ........................................................................ 8.223318

FARNON, Robert (b. 1917)

Robert Farnon is well known for his contribution to light music. He was born in Canada and served in the Canadian army as conductor of the Canadian Band of the Allied Expeditionary Forces, later settling in England, where he established a reputation as a composer, conductor and arranger. Much of his music will prove very familiar to the listener.

Complete Works for Piano Vol. 4
Sonata Española, Op. 53
Levante - Melodias y Temas de Danza para Piano
Tres Movimientos para Piano • Crepusculum
Romanza Antigua • Cantos de Antaño
Pedro Carboné, pianist .......................................................... 8.225045

FAGAN, Gideon (1904 – 1980)

A native of Somerset West in the Cape Province of South Africa, Gideon Fagan was trained in his own country and at the Royal College of Music in London, spending 27 years in England before returning home to take up the position of Manager of the Music Department of the South African Broadcasting Corporation. Well known as a conductor, he also enjoyed a reputation as a composer, making appropriate use in his work of material of African origin.

Concert Overture in D • Ilala (Tone Poem)
(SOUTH AFRICAN ORCHESTRAL WORKS)
National Symphony Orchestra of the South African Broadcasting Corporation / Richard Cock / Peter Marchbank .......................................................... 8.223833

Karoo Symphony
(+ LISSANT–COLLINS / MOERANE)
(SOUTH AFRICAN MUSIC)
National Symphony Orchestra of S.A.B.C. / Peter Marchbank .......................................................... 8.223709

FANELLI, Ernest (1860 – 1917)

Ernest Fanelli was expelled from the Paris Conservatoire, later returning to study with Delibes, until shortage of money finally compelled him to leave and support himself by work as a percussion-player or pianist. His compositions remained unknown until discovered by Pierné in 1912, 29 years after they were written. His work, prophetic of future music as an isolated forerunner of Debussy, fell into oblivion once more, now to be revived in the present recording of a surviving composition based on a novel by Théophile Gautier.

Symphonic Pictures “The Romance of The Mummy”
(+ BOURGAULT-DUCOUDRAY)
Slovak Radio Symphony Orchestra / Adriano ........................................... 8.225234

ESPLÁ, Óscar (1886 – 1976)

The Spanish composer Óscar Esplá drew particular inspiration from his native Alicante, writing music that reflects his origin and making use of a synthetic scale of his own devising for this purpose. A man of wide cultural interests, he pursued parallel higher studies both in engineering and in the arts, and his music reflects this breadth of intellect.

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Romana Antigua • Cantos de Antaño
Pedro Carboné, pianist .......................................................... 8.225045

* To be released
**FASY, Albert (1837 – 1891)**

Born in Zurich in 1837, the son of a department store owner and city councillor, Albert Fasy studied at Leipzig Conservatory and in Dresden, but won no great success in his lifetime. His ambitious orchestral works, too expensive perhaps for contemporary performance, include a remarkable dramatic picture of the voyage of Columbus and a celebration of the Swiss victory over Austria at Sempach in the 14th century, a vindication of a composer long forgotten, and unheard even in his own time.

**Columbus • Der Triumph der Liebe • Sempach • Götz von Berlichingen**

Moscow Symphony Orchestra / Adrian

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**FERNSTRÖM, John (1897 – 1961)**

The Swedish composer John Fernström spent his early years in China, where he was born, returning at the age of ten to develop his abilities as a musician and painter. A violinist and conductor, he held an important position in music in Sweden, not least as a teacher and director of the Lund Conservatory. His music remains tonal and immediately approachable, not least in his eight string quartets.

**String Quartets Nos. 3, 6 & 8**

Vlach Quartet Prague

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**FEROUD, Pierre-Octave (1900 – 1936)**

The death of the French composer and conductor Pierre-Octave Ferroud in a car accident in 1936 cut short a life of early achievement. His orchestral music shows a debt to Ravel, developing from early descriptive writing to a more abstract style, in a settled tonal musical language.

**Orchestral Works**

- **Symphony in A major • Serenade for Orchestra**
  - Chirurgie Suite for Orchestra, a.o.
  - Württemberg Philharmonic Orchestra / Patrick Davin

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**FLEISCHMANN, Aloys (1910 – 1992)**

Born in Munich, where he also studied, Aloys Fleischmann made his home and career in Ireland, notably in Cork, where he had taken his first degree, and where he remained as conductor of the Symphony Orchestra and Professor of Music for the greater part of his life. His music is often overtly Irish in flavour, with Irish elements absorbed into a mature musical idiom that reflected his own background and generally traditional leanings.

**Piano Quintet (+ MAY)**

Hugh Tinney, Piano / Vanbrugh Quartet

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**FOOTE, Arthur (1853 – 1937)**

The American composer, pianist and organist Arthur Foote developed his musical gifts on American soil and in 1875 was awarded the first master’s degree in his subject at Harvard University. He was, therefore, a pioneer in American composition, at a time when others would study composition abroad. Among his varied compositions, his chamber music, in many ways typical of its period, is of particular interest.

**Piano Quartet**

- **String Quartet No. 1**
  - Da Vinci Quartet / James Barbagallo, Piano

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**Piano Transcriptions**

- **Violin Sonata • Pastorale • Prelude, Chorale and Fugue • Prelude, Fugue and Variation**
  - Alexander Paley, Piano

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**Cello Sonatas Nos. 1 and 2**

- **Phantasiestücke, Op. 78**
  - Mark Drobnisky, Cello / Daniel Blumenthal, Piano

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FUMET, Raphaël (1898 – 1979)

The son of the composer Dynam-Victor Fumet, the French composer Raphaël Fumet wrote much of his music for his son, the virtuoso flautist Gabriel Fumet. A man of independence and modesty, he avoided the fashions and cliques of the French musical establishment, largely employed in teaching in the provinces and making little attempt to promote his music, which is only now becoming better known. In style his compositions are tonal and approachable, while his use of one or more flutes in various forms of ensemble shows great originality.

Music for Flute
Cantate Biblique • Diptyque Baroque • Lacrymosa
Ode Concertante • Interpolaire • Quatuor • Trio
Gabriel Fumet, Flute / Jean-François Paillard Chamber Orchestra / Gérard Jarry

FURTWÄNGLER, Wilhelm (1886 – 1954)

Furtwängler is better known as one of the greatest conductors of the twentieth century than as a composer. His decision to remain in Germany after 1933, when others from Germany took refuge abroad, led to subsequent controversy and accusations of complicity with the National Socialist régime that he had always in fact opposed. His three symphonies continue and extend the earlier Austro-German tradition of Brahms and Bruckner and were written largely during the Hitler period, when there were less demands on him as a conductor.

Piano Concerto
David Lively / Slovak State Philharmonic / Alfred Walter

Symphony in D major • Symphony in B minor
Overture, Op. 3
Slovak State Philharmonic / Alfred Walter

Symphony No. 1
Slovak State Philharmonic / Alfred Walter

Symphony No. 2
BBC Symphony Orchestra / Alfred Walter

Symphony No. 3
RTBF Symphony / Alfred Walter

Te Deum • Religiöser Hymnus
Schwindet, ihr dunklen Wölbungen • Lieder
Bernadette Degelin, Soprano / Christiane Röth-Bach, Mezzo-soprano / Guido Píkal, Tenor / Wolfgang Klose, Bass / Frankfurt a. d. Oder Philharmonic Orchestra and Singakademie / Alfred Walter, Piano and Conductor

GERARD, Roberto (1896 – 1970)

Of Franco-Swiss descent, Roberto Gerhard was born and had his earlier musical training in Catalonia, seeking exile from Spain only after the republican defeat in the Spanish civil war. His later life was spent in England. As a pupil of Schoenberg, Gerhard derived his later technique from his studies in Vienna, nevertheless often reflecting in his music the Spanish influences that audiences expected from him.

Complete Piano Music
Dos apunts • Soirées de Barcelona
Dances from Don Quixote
Three Impromptus
(Joaquim Homs: Piano Sonata No. 2)
Jordi Masó, Piano

GERHARD, Roberto (1896 – 1970)

The popular reputation of Edward German in England has long rested on his comic operas Merrie England and Tom Jones, well known to amateur operatic societies. His work as a theatre musician led to the composition of incidental music for a number of Shakespeare plays, while his piano music reveals another side of his talent.

Piano Works
Concert Study • Elegy • Improptu No. 1
Mazurka a.o.
Alan Cuckston, Piano

Richard III (Overture)
Theme and Six Diversions • The Seasons
RTE Concert Orchestra / Andrew Penny

Romeo and Juliet • Nell Gwyn • The Conqueror
Three Dances from Henry VIII • Gipsy Suite
Tom Jones Waltz
Slovak RSO / Adrian Leaper

Symphony No. 2 “Norwich” • Valse Gracieuse
Welsh Rhapsody
National Symphony Orchestra of Ireland / Andrew Penny

GABRIEL–MARIE (1852 – 1928)

The French composer Gabriel-Marie provided a characteristic repertoire of popular music, well suited to the ball-room or to the salon. His Sous les frênes (Under the Ash-Trees) is a typical waltz from the 1880s.

Frais minois, Polka • Sous les frênes, Valse
(LES SUCCES DE LA DANSE)
Slovak RSO / Jerome Cohen

GARCÍA ABRIL, Antón (b. 1933)

Winner of the 1993 Guerrero Foundation award, the Spanish composer Antón García Abril builds notably on earlier tradition, not least in his ballet score Danza y tronío, which draws on music by Boccherini and Soler. In general he was able to resist the dictates of contemporary musical fashion to form his own musical language, relying on national tradition, but always fresh and new in its inspiration, as in the large scale orchestral Hemeroscopium and the Piano Concerto, the latter one of the best Spanish examples of the form.

Three Sonatas for Orchestra
Hemeroscopium • Piano Concerto
Guillermo González, Piano / Madrid Symphony Orchestra

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GIANNEO, Luis (1897 – 1968)

Widely regarded as the founder of the Argentine national school of music, Luis Gianneo won a reputation as a pianist and composer, as well as a conductor. In his music he came to use elements drawn from the various regions of his country, most notably from Tucumán, where he spent many fruitful years.

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The music of the English composer Cecil Armstrong Gibbs is well known to amateur choirs and to singers, his most significant achievement being in this second field, with settings of English verse, not least the poems of his friend Walter de la Mare.

**Sailors’ Dances (FLEMISH ROMANTIC MUSIC)**

BRT Philharmonic Orchestra, Brussels / Alexander Rahbari .................................................. 8.223418

**The Sea • Scottish Melodies • Alvar**

3rd Symphonic Overture
Moscow Symphony Orchestra / Frédéric Devreeze ............... 8.223809

**GLASS, Louis (1864 – 1936)**

Recent years have brought an increased interest in the work of the Danish composer Louis Glass, a contemporary of Carl Nielsen, by whom his own achievement has been overshadowed. Glass wrote six symphonies, some with programmatic titles, in addition to a quantity of other orchestral works and chamber music. He was in earlier years a pianist of some distinction, until his career as a performer was brought to a close by illness.

**GLAZUNOV, Alexander Konstantinovich (1865 – 1936)**

A pupil of Rimsky-Korsakov, Glazunov showed astonishing precocity coupled with a phenomenal musical memory. In Russian music he represents a synthesis between the relatively amateur work of the Five and the “German” professionalism of the Conservatories. He became director of the St Petersburg Conservatory in 1905, retaining this position until 1930. In style he is a Russian romantic, prolific and versatile, his gifts as a composer and orchestrator evident in particular in his ballets Raymonda, The Seasons and Ruses d’amour and in a wide range of orchestral works. His compositions for piano offer another aspect of his talents.

**4 Preludes and Fugues • Idylle • Fantasy for 2 Pianos**

Tatjana Franová and Silvia Cápová, Pianos ......................... 8.223154

**Overture on Greek Themes No. 1 • Poème épique**

Hong Kong Philharmonic / Kenneth Schermerhorn .................. 8.220309

**Piano Sonatas Nos. 1 and 2 • Prelude and Fugue**

Tatjana Franová, Piano .......................................................... 8.223153

**Ruses d’amour, Op. 61 (Complete Ballet)**

Romanian State PO / Horia Andreescu .................................. 8.220485

**Song of Destiny • Overture Op. 6 • Salome**

Hong Kong Philharmonic / Antonio de Almeida ..................... 8.220445

**Valse de salon • Trois morceaux • 2 Impromptus**

Tatjana Franová, Piano .......................................................... 8.223152

**GRIEG, Reinhold Moritsevich (1875 – 1956)**

A pupil at the Moscow Conservatory of Hřímaly and Taneyev, Arensky, Konyus and Ippolitov-Ivanov, Grieg continued the romantic Russian tradition, winning immense popularity for his Soviet ballets The Red Poppy and The Bronze Horseman, where he is also able to demonstrate his interest in wider Slavonic musical traditions.

**Shak-Senem (Overture) • Gulsara (Overture)**

Bronze Horseman (Suite) • Heroic March
St Petersburg State SO / Andre Anichanov ............................. 8.223675

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**Intermezzo Op. 69**

Hong Kong Philharmonic / Antonio de Almeida ..................... 8.220445

**Deux Poèmes-improvisations**

Tatjana Franová, Piano .......................................................... 8.223152

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**GODARD, Benjamin (1849 – 1895)**

A pupil of Vieuxtemps, Benjamin Godard enjoyed a career as a violinist, but won an even wider reputation as a composer of salon music. He is remembered for the Berceuse from his opera Jocelyn, one of seven such works, but was prolific enough as a composer of chamber, vocal and orchestral music, with two interesting concertos for violin and two for piano. His salon music is, naturally, less substantial in musical content.

**Etudes mélodiques • Etudes rythmiques**
*Etudes de Concert*
Jean Martin, Piano ............................................................... 8.223802

**GODOWSKY, Leopold (1870 – 1938)**

Born in what was then Poland, Godowsky was one of the greatest virtuoso pianists of his time, taking American citizenship in 1891. As a composer, he wrote demanding music for the piano, with arrangements and studies that offer considerable technical challenge. His Waltz Masks and music for two pianists give a sample of his style.

**Miscellaneous Miniatures • Three Suites**
*Ancient Dances • Modern Dances*
Joseph Banowetz and Alton Chan, Piano ........................... 8.223475

**Piano Music Vol. 1**
*Four Poems • Toccata, Op. 13*
Three Pieces, Opp. 12 and 14
*Airs of the Eighteenth Century • Two Waltz Poems*  
Five Miniatures • *Mélodie méditative capriccio Polonaise*
Konstantin Scherbakov, Piano ........................................... 8.223793

**Piano Music Vol. 2**
*Transcriptions of Violin Sonatas by J. S. Bach*
Konstantin Scherbakov, Piano ........................................... 8.223974

**Piano Music Vol. 3**
*Baroque Transcriptions and Settings*
Konstantin Scherbakov, Piano ........................................... 8.223795

**Piano Music Vol. 4**
*Triakontameron • Thirty Moods and Scenes in Triple Measure*
Konstantin Scherbakov, Piano ........................................... 8.223898

**Piano Music Vol. 5**
*Sonata in E minor • Menuet No. 1 • Au Jardin des Fleurs • Twilight Thoughts No. 2 • Sérénade*
Konstantin Scherbakov, Piano ........................................... 8.223899

**Schubert Transcriptions**
*Die Forelle • Gute Nacht • Heidenröslein • Die junge Nonne • Litanei • Liebesbotschaft • Am Meer • An Mignon • Moment Musical, Op. 94, No. 3 • Morgengruss • Passacaglia • Ballet Music from Rosamunde • Trockne Blumen • Ungeduld • Das Wandern • Wiegenlied • Wohin?*
Konstantin Scherbakov, Piano ........................................... 8.225187

*24 Waltz Masks*
Ilona Prunyi, Piano .............................................................. 8.223312

**GOLDMARK, Karl (1830 – 1915)**

Goldmark's career largely centred on Vienna, where he won fame for his opera Die Königin von Saba (The Queen of Sheba) in 1875. Although a strong champion of Wagner, he shows too the influence of pre-Wagnerian German musical traditions.

**Symphony No. 2 • Penthesilea**
Rhenish PO / Michael Halász ........................................... 8.220417

**GOODWIN, Ron (b. 1925)**

Skilled as an arranger and music director, Ron Goodwin has reached equal distinction as a composer of light music and provider of music for films, ranging from the Margaret Rutherford Miss Marple films to Where Eagles Dare and Those Magnificent Men in Their Flying Machines.

**Theme from “633 Squadron” • Drake 400 Suite**
*Puppet Serenade • New Zealand Suite*  
*Arabian Celebration • The Venus Waltz*  
*Prisoners of War March • Minuet in Blue*  
*Theme from “The Trap” • Girl with a Dream*  
*Theme from “Lancelot and Guinevere”*
New Zealand Symphony Orchestra / Ron Goodwin ............ 8.223518

**GOUNOD, Charles (1818 – 1893)**

From the middle of the 19th century Gounod exercised a strong influence over French composers, particularly in the period between his great success with the opera Faust in 1859 and his departure for England on the outbreak of the Franco-Prussian War in 1870. He won further operatic success notably with Roméo et Juliette in 1867. He wrote a quantity of church music. Less familiar are his oratorios, which include Toby (Tobias), written in 1865, and the patriotic Gallia, described as a lamentation, written in 1871, after the French defeat at Sedan.

**Tobie • Gallia**
Cécile Perrin / Delphine Haidan / Marc Duguay / Fernand Bernadi / Chorus & Orchestra of Paris-Sorbonne / Jacques Grimbert ................................................................. 8.223892

**GRECHANINOV, Alexandr Tikhonovich (1864 – 1956)**

A near contemporary of Rachmaninov as a student at the Moscow Conservatory, Grechaninov similarly left Russia, living first in Paris and then in the United States of America. He continues in his compositions the traditions of an earlier generation. The first two of his four symphonies were written before the Russian Revolution.

**String Quartets, Opp. 70 & 124**
Moyzes Quartet ...................................................................... 8.223646

**GRIFFES, Charles Tomlinson (1884 – 1920)**

Originally intending a career as a pianist, the American composer Charles T. Griffes studied in Berlin, where his teachers included Humperdinck, and returned to America to pursue a career primarily as a teacher. As a composer he developed his musical language from that of late German romanticism to impressionism and an element of the oriental, influences deployed in a thoroughly original way.

**Piano Music Vol. 1**
*Sonata • Three Tone-Pictures, Op. 5 • De Profundis*  
*Roman Sketches • A Winter Landscape*  
*Rhapsody in B minor • Barcarolle from “Les Contes d’Hoffmann” • Legend • Prelude in B minor*
Michael Lewin, Piano ........................................................... 8.223850

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Piano Music Vol. 2
The Pleasure-Dome of Kubla-Khan • Three Preludes Pieces • Dance in A minor • Three Fantasy Pieces Hansel and Gretel Overture • Symphonische Phantastie for two Pianos
Michael Lewin / Janice Weber, Piano ................................. 8.225163

GUARNIERI, Camargo (1907 – 1993)
The son of a father from Sicily and a Brazilian mother, Camargo Guarnieri established himself as a musician of importance in São Paulo, before moving in 1938 to Paris for lessons with Koechlin. In style he belongs to a third generation of Brazilian composers, after Braga and then Villa-Lobos, with national traits now fully absorbed into a mature and often passionate musical language. His completely violinistic sonatas for violin and piano, Nos. 4-6, written in 1956, 1959 and 1965, are a fascinating addition to duo repertoire.

Violin Sonatas Nos. 2, 3 & 7 • Canção sertanega
Lavard Skou Larsen, Violin / Alexander Müllenbach, Piano ........................................ 8.223885

Violin Sonatas Nos. 4-6
Lavard Skou Larsen, Violin / Alexander Müllenbach, Piano ........................................ 8.223703

GUASTAVINO, Carlos (b. 1912)
Carlos Guastavino holds an honoured position in the musical life of his native Argentina, writing attractive music often national in flavour, as in his piano music for two performers.

Romance del Plata (Sonatina) • Tres Romances
La Siesta • Las Presencias
Duo Moreno-Capelli, Piano ............................................. 8.223462

GURIDI, Jesús (1886 – 1961)
The Basque composer Jesús Guridi studied at the Schola Cantorum in Paris with d’Indy and Grovelz, returning to serve as an organist and choral conductor in Bilbao. His first opera Mirentxu, with a Basque libretto, was followed by Amaya, based on a Navarrese legend of the shrine of San Miguel. The latter work won wider success after a staging in Buenos Aires. Guridi ended his career as director of Madrid Conservatory, after holding a similar position at Biscay Conservatory.

Amaya (Complete Opera) [2CDs]
Solists / Bilbao Choral Society / Bilbao Symphony Orchestra / Theo Alcântara .................................................. 8.225084-85

HALFFTER, Cristóbal (b. 1930)
A nephew of the composers Rodolfo and Ernesto Halffter, Cristóbal Halffter has held a distinguished position in Spanish music, following the course set by Manuel de Falla in his later works, before moving to a more avant-garde international idiom, while remaining firmly Spanish and drawing equal inspiration from the past, as from the present.

Prelude for Madrid • Daliniana
Fantasy on Handel’s works • Veni Creator Spiritus
Santo Tomás de Aquino and Orfeón Donostiarra, Choir / Madrid Symphony Orchestra / Pedro Halffter-Caro .................. 8.225032

HALLSTRÖM, Ivar (1826 – 1901)
The Swedish pianist and composer Ivar Christian Hallström collaborated with Prince Gustaf on his first opera and later served as librarian to Prince Oscar, later King Oscar II. The greater part of his music is either vocal or for the piano, his writing generally influenced by Gounod and, to some extent, by Wagner.

Duke Magnus and the Mermaid (Complete Opera) [2 CD’s]
Lars Johansson / Mattias Ermedahl / Eva Marklund Nygren / Ingela Bohlin / Norrköping Symphony Orchestra / Niklas Willén .............................................. 8.225214-15

HARDEBECK, Carl
Carl Hardebeck is represented by versions of quintessentially Irish songs.

The Song of Glen Dun • A Dandlin’ Song
(A SHEAF OF SONGS FROM IRELAND)
Bernadette Greevy, Mezzo-soprano / Hugh Tinney, Piano .................................................. 8.225098

HARRIS, Clement (1871 – 1897)
An Old Harrovian, Clement Harris studied with the great pianist Clara Schumann in Frankfurt and became an intimate friend of Siegfried Wagner, joining him in an attempt to escape the overwhelming influence of Richard Wagner. His symphonic poem on Milton’s Paradise Lost was planned during his voyage with Siegfried Wagner to the Far East in 1892 and owes much to Schumann and Brahms. He died in 1897 in Epirus, after joining the Greeks in their war against Turkey.

Paradise Lost • Festival March
(+ von SCHILLINGS / S. WAGNER)
Thüringian SO / Konrad Bach ............................................. 8.223660

HEDGES, Anthony (b. 1931)
Anthony Hedges has enjoyed an active career in Scotland and in England as a teacher, for many years at Hull University. His lighter music has had wide appeal, but his compositions, in whatever genre, have always been marked by a sure technical command.

Four Breton Sketches • Cantilena
Overture: Heigham Sound • Four Miniature Dances
Scenes from the Humber • Kingston Sketches
RTE Sinfonietta / Anthony Hedges .................................... 8.223886

HELLER, Stephen (1813 – 1888)
Born in Pest in 1813, the pianist and composer Stephen Heller made his career in Paris. His important technical piano studies remain familiar to ambitious young pianists. Less well known are the charming and varied piano compositions that he wrote, his later works giving a foretaste of changes to come in musical language.

Nuits Blanches, Op. 82
Préludes pour Mlle Lili, 32 Pièces pour piano, Op. 119
Jean Martin, Piano .................................................... 8.223435
Préludes Opp. 81 & 150
Jean Martin, Piano ..................................................... 8.223434

* To be released
HELLMESBERGER, Joseph (1855 – 1907)

The son of the distinguished Vienna violinist after whom he was named, Joseph Hellmesberger the younger followed a career as a violinist, conductor and composer. In the last capacity he wrote ballet-scores for the ballet of the Court Opera, of which he was music director, and a number of successful operettas particularly after leaving his position as conductor of the Vienna Philharmonic Orchestra, where he succeeded Mahler.

Kleiner Anzeiger • Unter vier Augen • Auf Wiener Art
Für die ganze Welt • Eilelaufreiten • Valse espagnole
Valse lento • Leichtfüßig • Vielliebchen
Danses diabolique • Gavotte • Gewitterzene
Wiener Couplet Quadrille • Ballscene
Göttinger Sinfonie Orchestra / Christian Simonis .................. 8.225021

HERBERT, Victor (1859 – 1924)

Irish by birth, Victor Herbert was trained as a musician in Germany, appearing there first as a cellist and as soloist in his own compositions. After settling in America in 1886, he established himself as a conductor and eventually as a composer and promoter of light music, writing a series of operettas that enjoyed great popularity.

Orchestral Music Vol. 1
Babes in Toyland • The Red Mill
Razumovsky Symphony Orchestra / Keith Brion ...................... 8.223843

Orchestral Music Vol. 2
Beloved Songs and Miniatures
Virginia Croskery, Soprano / Slovak RSO / Keith Brion ............. 8.225108

Orchestral Music Vol. 3
Columbus Suite • Irish Rhapsody • Auditorium
Festival March • Selections from Nataoma
Slovak RSO / Keith Brion .......................................................... 8.225109

HERRMANN, Bernard (1911 – 1975)

Bernard Herrmann enjoyed a successful career as a composer and conductor and was employed at the suggestion of Orson Welles to write the score for his film of Charlotte Brontë’s Jane Eyre. Some of the material was used later by Herrmann for his Brontë opera Wuthering Heights. The score for Jane Eyre is strongly romantic, in the very best of Hollywood’s musical traditions.

The Egyptian (with NEWMAN)
Moscow Symphony Orchestra and Choir / William T. Stromberg .................................................. 8.225078

Jane Eyre
Slovak RSO / Adrian ................................................................. 8.223535

Prince of Players • Garden of Evil
Moscow Symphony Orchestra / William T. Stromberg ............ 8.223841

The Snows of Kilimanjaro • 5 Fingers
Moscow Symphony Orchestra / William Stromberg .............. 8.225168

HILL, Alfred (1870 – 1960)

The Australian composer Alfred Hill studied in Leipzig in the late 1880s, continuing, as a composer, the traditions in which he had been trained, but later with an Australian flavour, with occasional use of aboriginal melodies. His ten numbered symphonies, the last written in 1958, suggest the work of a latter-day Australian Dvořák.

String Quartets Nos. 5, 6 & 11
Australian String Quartet ........................................................................ 8.223746

Symphonies Nos. 3 & 7 • The Lost Hunter
The Moon’s Gold Horn
Queensland Symphony Orchestra / Wilfred Lehmann ............. 8.223537

Symphonies Nos. 4 & 6 • Sacred Mountain
Melbourne Symphony / Wilfred Lehmann .................................. 8.220345

Symphonies Nos. 5 “The Carnival” & 10
As Night Falls • A Rêverie • Regrets
Tribute to a Musician
Queensland Symphony Orchestra / Wilfred Lehmann .......... 8.223538

HINDEMITH, Paul (1895 – 1963)

Distinguished as a viola-player and as the deviser of a new school of German composition, Hindemith developed his own musical idiom, often astringent or neo-Baroque in its counterpoint. His piano Interludes and Fugues in the Ludus Tonalis of 1942 are a characteristic example of this style. His views of the place of the composer in society as craftsman led to the composition of a wide variety of “music for use”.

Piano Works (Complete) Volume 1
Hans Petermandl, Piano .................................................................. 8.223335

Piano Works (Complete) Volume 2
Hans Petermandl, Piano .................................................................. 8.223336

Piano Works (Complete) Volume 3
Hans Petermandl, Piano .................................................................. 8.223337

Piano Works (Complete) Volume 4
Hans Petermandl, Piano .................................................................. 8.223338

HOLBROOKE, Joseph (1878 – 1958)

Joseph Holbrooke, born in Croydon in 1878, was prolific as a composer, often ambitious in the scale of his orchestral works. Ulalume, The Bells and The Raven express his fascination with the poems of Edgar Allan Poe, while other preoccupations appear in his three operas based on the Welsh Mabinogion, the last of which, Bronwen, was first performed in 1929. Neglect of his work is now giving way to renewed interest in a composer of eccentric versatility.

Chamber Music
Sextet in D major, Op. 43
Piano Quartet in G minor, Op. 21
Symphonic Quintet No. 1 in G minor, Op. 44
Endre Hegedüs, Piano / New Haydn Quartet /
Sándor Papp, 2nd Viola / János Devich, 2nd Cello ...................... 8.223746

The Children of Don • The Birds of Rhiannon
Prelude to Dylan
National Symphony Orchestra of Ukraine /
Andrew Penny ........................................................................... 8.223721

Ulalume, Op. 35 • Bronwen, Op. 75
The Bells, Op. 50 • The Raven, Op. 25
Byron, Op. 39
Slovak Philharmonic Choir / Slovak RSO /
Adrian Leaper .................................................................. 8.223446

* To be released
HOLMÈS, Augusta (1847 – 1903)

Augusta Holmès, a French composer of Irish descent, but reputedly the daughter of Alfred de Vigny, her godfather, was a pupil of César Franck. She occupied a leading position in artistic circles in Paris in her time, refusing an offer of marriage from Saint-Saëns and bearing three daughters to the poet Catulle Mendès. As a composer she wrote operas, vocal works and chamber music, with a series of dramatic symphonies that show the influence both of Franck and of Wagner.

Andromède • Ouverture pour une comédie
Irlande • La Nuit et l’Amour • Pologne
Rheinland-Pfalz Philharmonic / Samuel Friedmann / Patrick Davin ........................................ 8.223449

HOMS, Joaquim (b. 1906)

A pupil of Roberto Gerhard, the Catalan composer Joaquim Homs developed a style that, after experiment with atonality, led to full use of serial techniques. His music, however, remains approachable and expressive.

Piano Music
Variations on a Popular Catalan Theme
Seven Pieces • Seven Impromptus • Two Soliloquies
Jordi Masó, Piano .......................................................... 8.225099

Piano Music Vol. 2
Piano Sonata No. 1 • Three Inventions • Carousel
Waltz • Between Two Lines • Three Evocations • Remembrances
Jordi Masó, Piano .......................................................... 8.225236

Second Piano Sonata (See GERHARD)
Jordi Masó, Piano .......................................................... 8.223867

HONEGGER, Arthur (1892 – 1955)

Swiss by birth, Honegger is associated with the group of French composers in Paris known as Les Six. He retains an important position as a composer, with his dramatic psalm Le roi David and stage oratorio Jeanne d’Arc au bûcher, a continuing part of modern repertoire. Less familiar are the scorés he wrote for early films, including Abel Gance’s Napoléon and the 1934 film of Victor Hugo’s Les misérables, part of an extensive range of works for the cinema, theatre and radio.

Crime et Châtiment • L’Idée • Farinet
Le Déserteur • Le Grand Barrage
Slovak RSO / Adriano ..................................................... 8.223466

Mayerling • Regain • Le Démon de l’Himalaya
Slovak RSO / Adriano ..................................................... 8.223467

Six Poésies de Jean Cocteau
(LES MARIES DE LA TOUR EIFFEL)
Florence Katz, Mezzo-soprano / Ensemble Erwartung / Bernard Desgraupes ........................................... 8.223788

HUMMEL, Johann Nepomuk (1778 – 1837)

Born in Pressburg, the modern Bratislava, as a boy Hummel was a pupil of Mozart, whose style of piano performance he continued. He served as Kapellmeister in Weimar for the last eighteen years of his life. In style he has something in common with his younger contemporary Weber.

Adagio and Rondo (CLARINET AND ORCHESTRA)
Dieter Klöcker, Clarinet / Slovak RSO / Gernot Schmalfuss ................................................................. 8.223431

HUMPERDINCK, Engelbert (1854 – 1921)

Celebrated as the composer of the fairy-tale opera Hänsel und Gretel, Humperdinck enjoyed a varied career, in earlier years as an assistant to Wagner at Bayreuth. Other operas in this vein include Dormärschen (Sleeping Beauty) and Königskinder (Children of the King). Collaboration with the director Max Reinhardt in Berlin brought incidental music for a number of plays, including Shakespeare’s Merchant of Venice.

Moorish Rhapsody • Sleeping Beauty
The Merchant of Venice • The Canteen Woman
Slovak RSO / Martin Fischer-Dieskau .......................................... 8.223369

HUSA, Karel (b. 1921)

A native of Prague, Karel Husa studied also in Paris, notably with Honegger and Nadia Boulanger, later settling in the United States. His work as a composer was for some time limited by his distinguished career as a conductor. His musical language successfully combines contemporary harmonic idiom with a neo-classical attention to form and balance. His Music for Prague reflects his reaction to the suppression of newly developing freedom in Prague in 1968.

Fresque • Symphony No. 2
Music for Prague, 1968
Slovak RSO / Barry Kolman .................................................. 8.223640

IBERT, Jacques (1890 – 1962)

Typically French in his command of light, translucent woodwind textures, Ibert spent much of his career as director of the Villa Medici in Rome, where winners of the Prix de Rome resided. Prolific and versatile, Ibert wrote music of elegant charm, with film scores for Pabst’s Don Quichotte, Golgotha and Orson Welles’s controversial film of Macbeth.

La Ballade de la Geôle de Reading
Trois Pièces de Ballet • Féérique
Chant de Folie • Suite Elisabethaine
Slovak RSO / Adriano ................................................... 8.223508

Diane de Poitiers • La Licorne
Moscow Symphony Orchestra / Adriano .................................. 8.223854

Macbeth • Golgotha • Don Quichotte
Slovak RSO / Adriano ....................................................... 8.223287

Petite Suite • Histoires • Les rencontres
Hae-won Chang, Piano ....................................................... 8.223409

INDY, Vincent d’ (1851 – 1931)

A disciple of César Franck and founder of the influential and rigorous Schola Cantorum in Paris, a rival to the Conservatoire, Vincent d’Indy represented what became a conservative element in French music. His first two string quartets were written in the 1890s, with concert and incidental music ranging from the 1880s to the early years of the new century.

L’Étranger • Tableaux de Voyage
Phantaisie pour hautbois et orchestre
Prélude de “Fervaal” • “Saugefleurie” Legende
Württemberg Philharmonic / Gilles Nopre ............................................ 8.223659

* To be released
The principal early musical influence on Vincent d’Indy came from his uncle, Count Wilfrid d’Indy, an amateur composer and a pupil of César Franck, whose leading disciple his nephew became.

Trained initially in Barcelona, the composer, conductor and pianist Manuel Infante settled in Paris in 1909 and over the years did much to make Spanish music known in France. His own music draws heavily on Spanish traditions, particularly those of southern Spain.

IPPOLITOV-IVANOV, Mikhail (1859 – 1935)

Trained at the St Petersburg Conservatory, Ippolitov-Ivanov spent some years as director of the Conservatory in Tbilisi, the capital of Georgia, before moving to Moscow Conservatory, where he taught from 1893 until his death in 1935. He continues the Russian tradition of Rimsky-Korsakov, with a particular interest in the more exotic elements found in remoter regions of the Soviet Union and neighbouring countries. Local colour is evident in his Caucasian Sketches, Iveria and the Turkish Fragments.

JOYCE, Archibald (1873 – 1963)

Archibald Joyce enjoyed a high reputation as a dance-band pianist and leader, writing music for his own band and earning himself the title of ‘English waltz king’.

KALINNIKOV, Vasily Sergeyevich (1866 – 1901)

Kalinnikov had what musical education he could in Moscow and won the encouragement of Tchaikovsky, amongst other musicians of influence in Russia. He spent his last eight years in poverty and ill health in the Crimea, although enjoying a growing reputation as a composer. His graphic incidental music for Tsar Boris is effective, with a symphonic poem, The Nymphs, based on Turgenev, The Cedar and the Palm, based on a poem by Heine, and Epic Poem, a colourful orchestral composition.

KARAMANOV, Alemdar (b. 1934)

An isolated figure in the musical world of the former Soviet Union, Alemdar Karamanov, born of partly Turkish parentage, is unusual in the Christian religious spirit that informs his later work and did much to exclude him from the central musical establishment of the country, together with the relative geographical distance of his native Crimea.

IRELAND, John (1879 – 1962)

John Ireland was a pupil of Stanford in London and later taught for many years at the London Royal College of Music. Of particular interest among his varied compositions are his second Violin Sonata and the Cello Sonata that he wrote for Beatrice Harrison, a work that matches perfectly the two instruments in music that has moments of rhetoric, of tranquility and of vigorous energy.

Cello Sonata in G minor (+ MOERAN / RUBBRA)
Raphael Wallfisch, Cello / John York, Piano 8.223718
**KEMPFF, Wilhelm (1895 – 1991)**

Famous as one of the most distinguished pianists of his time, Wilhelm Kempff was also a composer, although this aspect of his career is less well known. His Op. 47 Piano Sonata and Italian Suite serve as an introduction to his work, which also includes operas, ballets and two symphonies.

**Transcriptions**

*Valse Lyrique • Pastorale a.o.*

*Caprice • A River Reverie • Daffodils a.o.*

*Wedgwood Blue • In a Persian Market*

*A Dream Picture • A Romantic Melody • Swing Song*

*In a Monastery Garden • A Song of Summer • Valse*

*Suite Romantique • Cockney Suite*

**KETELBEY, Albert (1875 – 1959)**

A versatile performer on a number of instruments, Ketèlbe is best known for his descriptive pieces *In a Monastery Garden* and *In a Persian Market*, both typical in their way of his command of popular light music idiom, in a sentimental style that continues to satisfy audiences.

**Transcriptions**

*In a Monastery Garden • Chal Romano*

*Suite Romantique • Cockney Suite*

*Wedgwood Blue • In a Persian Market*

**KHACHATURIAN, Aram (1903 – 1978)**

A Soviet composer, of Armenian extraction, Khachaturian satisfied official requirements by his colourful music, often using material of regional origin. His ballet score for *Spartacus* won great popularity, outdone by the famous *Sabre Dance*. In common with other important composers, he also wrote music for the cinema, including a score for *The Battle of Stalingrad* and for a Russian version of Shakespeare’s *Othello*.

**Symphony No. 3: Joie de Vivre**

**Symphony No. 4: The Four Provinces**

**KHUMALO, Mzikazi (b. 1932)**

Mzikazi Khumalo is Professor of African Languages at the University of Witwatersrand in Johannesburg. He has composed and arranged many songs, evidence of his work as an adjudicator in music competitions and as a choral trainer.

**Five African Songs (AFRICAN SONGS)**

National Symphony Orchestra and Chamber Choir of the South African Broadcasting Corporation / Richard Cock.

**KIEL, Friedrich (1821 – 1885)**

Friedrich Kiel spent much of his career in Berlin, where he taught at the Musikhochschule. His choral works, a requiem, a Missa solennis and an oratorio *Christus*, once had currency abroad, but the two piano quintets are a fair representation of a composer of sound academic background and contemporary reputation.

**Piano Quintets Opp. 75 & 76**

Ilona Prunyi, Piano / New Budapest Quartet

**KILAR, Wojciech (b. 1932)**

The Polish composer Wojciech Kilar has made a distinguished contribution to film music, working on over a hundred Polish films, before his first American commission for Francis Ford Coppola’s *Bram Stoker’s Dracula*, followed by scores for Roman Polanski’s *Death and the Maiden* and *The Ninth Gate*, and Jane Campion’s *Portrait of a Lady*. He has shown himself particularly adept at discreetly enhancing the scenes for which he has written music, with more freedom reserved for moments of high drama where words and actions are not enough.

**Death and the Maiden • König der letzten Tage**

**Pearl in the Crown**

Cracow Philharmonic Chorus / Polish National RSO / Antoni Wit

**KINSELLA, John (b. 1932)**

The Irish composer John Kinsella retired from his position as Head of Music for Radio Telefís Éireann in 1988, thereafter to devote more time to composition. His Third Symphony, completed in 1990, is an expression of the joy of life, while the Fourth provides musical sketches of four Irish provinces.

**KIRCHNER, Theodor (1823 - 1903)**

Encouraged by Mendelssohn and admired as an organist by Wagner and Liszt, Theodor Kirchner held various positions, often moving to new places and eventually saved from destitution in Hamburg by friends of a more practical nature. Once a member of Schumann’s circle, he left a thousand or more compositions, many of them character-pieces for the piano.

**Piano Music**

**Nachtbilder • Ideale • Legenden**

David Ianni, Piano

**KLEBE, Giselher (b. 1925)**

A pupil of Josef Rufer and Boris Blacher, Giselher Klebe established himself as a composer in the years after the war, taking part in courses at Darmstadt and succeeding Wolfgang Fortner at the North West German Academy of Music in Detmold. A prolific composer, he has written a series of operas, beginning with a version of Schiller’s *Die Räuber*, and occupies a leading position among German composers of his generation.

**Piano Music: Glockentürme, Op. 103**

**Wegengleider für Christichen, Op. 13**

**Feuersturz, Op. 91 • Sonata Op. 4**

**Neun Klavierstücke für Sonja Op. 76**


Silke-Thora Matthies / Christian Köhn, Piano

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*To be released*
KOECHLIN, Charles (1867 – 1950)

Koechlin won distinction as a writer on music theory and as a teacher counted Poulenc among his pupils. His reputation as a composer was largely eclipsed by his younger contemporaries, although many of his works won immediate if brief acclaim. His symphonic poems based on Kipling’s Jungle Book reveal an aspect of that writer only now becoming understood. Les heures persanes, a set of piano pieces later orchestrated, explores the oriental world of Pierre Loti.

KOMZÁK, Karel (1823 – 1893)

Karel Komzák started his career as a village teacher and organist, later serving as a bandmaster and then as conductor of an orchestra of which Dvořák was a member and that became the orchestra of the Czech Provisional Theatre. As a composer his work consists largely of a quantity of dances and marches.

LAJTHA, László (1892 – 1963)

László Lajtha occupied an important position in the musical life of Hungary, as conductor, composer and ethnomusicologist, an associate in this last capacity of Bartók and Kodály. In his music, however, he has a less pronounced Hungarian accent than either of his compatriots. His few piano pieces, spanning a period from 1913 to 1957, provide an introduction to an extended range of works of all kinds.

LACHNER, Franz (1803 – 1890)

Franz Lachner was a close friend of Schubert in Vienna, but outlived his friend by more than sixty years, to be displaced as General Music Director in Munich by the arrival of Wagner there in 1864. Lachner was a thoroughly competent composer, using a musical language based on a solid classical technique. His orchestral works include eight symphonies, the first written in the year of Schubert’s death and the last in 1851. His seven orchestral suites span a period from 1861 to 1881.

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Orchestral Works Vol. 1
Symphony No. 7 • Suite No. 3 • Hortobágy. Op. 21
Pécs Symphony Orchestra / Nicolás Pasquet .......................... 8.223667

Orchestral Works Vol. 2
Capriccio (Suite de Ballet)
Pécs Symphony Orchestra / Nicolás Pasquet .......................... 8.223668

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Orchestral Works Vol. 3
Symphony No. 2, Op. 27 • Variations, Op. 44
Pécs Symphony Orchestra / Nicolás Pasquet .................. 8.223669

Orchestral Works Vol. 4
Suite pour orchestre • In Memoriam
Symphony No. 1
Pécs Symphony Orchestra / Nicolás Pasquet .................. 8.223670

Orchestral Works Vol. 5
Suite du Ballet No. 2 • Symphonies Nos. 3 & 4
Pécs Symphony Orchestra / Nicolás Pasquet .................. 8.223671

Orchestral Works Vol. 6
Symphonies Nos. 5 & 6 • Lysistrata
Pécs Symphony Orchestra / Nicolás Pasquet .................. 8.223672

Orchestral Works Vol. 7
Symphonies Nos. 8 & 9
Pécs Symphony Orchestra / Nicolás Pasquet .................. 8.223673

Prélude • Six Piano Pieces • Three Berceuses
Klára Körmendi, Piano .................................................. 8.223473

LANE, Philip (b. 1950)
The English composer Philip Lane has always shown great versatility, returning to his own part of the country in his Chettenhaus in Prestbury Park. He has provided incidental music for radio plays and attractive commissioned pieces, and has also done much to keep alive the spirit of British light music.

Divertissement • Cotswold Dances • London Salute
Wassail Dances • Prestbury Park
Maritime Overture • Three Christmas Pictures
Diversions on a theme of Paganini
3 Nautical Miniatures
Royal Ballet Sinfonia / Gavin Sutherland ...................... 8.225185

LARCHET, John (1884 – 1967)
The French composer John Larchet worked for 27 years as music director at the Abbey theatre in Dublin and, as Professor of Music at University College, Dublin. He may be regarded as the founder of national Irish music since independence. His music is strongly influenced by Irish folk-melodies, with the composer’s national aspirations reflected in the titles of his works.

An Ardglass Boat Song • The Wee Boy in Bed
Wee Hughie • Padraic the Fiddler
(A SHEAF OF SONGS FROM IRELAND)
Bernadette Greety, Mezzo-soprano / Hugh Tinney, Piano .................................................. 8.223669

LARSSON, Lars-Erik (1908 – 1986)
The Swedish composer Lars-Erik Larsson studied in Stockholm and was a pupil of Berg in Leipzig, subsequently working in Stockholm and Uppsala. In style he is eclectic, at times romantic and at times more experimental. His God in Disguise was written in 1940 for radio, a choral work that includes a speaker.

God in Disguise (+ ROSENBERG)
Karín Ingębäck / Anders Larsson / Anna Larsson / John Erik Eleby / Frej Lindkvist / Amadei Chamber Choir / Swedish Chamber Orchestra / Petter Sundkvist .............................................. 8.225123

LAZARI, Sylvio (1857 – 1944)
Of Austrian and Italian parentage and Tyrolean birth, Sylvio Lazari settled in Paris, where, as a student of César Franck, he continued the traditions of his teacher in symphonic writing, while extending his range in evocative programme music, notably in the Tableaux maritimes, a series of delicately nuanced sea-pictures.

Symphony in E flat major • Maritime Pictures
Moscow Symphony Orchestra / Adriano .......................... 8.223651

LE FLEM, Paul (1881 – 1984)
The French composer Paul Le Flem was a pupil of Vincent d’Indy and Roussel at the Paris Schola Cantorum, where he later joined the teaching staff. He established a reputation as a choral conductor, composing a number of vocal works, in addition to symphonies, stage works and chamber music. His musical language was strongly influenced by his teachers and his choice of subject often reflected his native region of Brittany.

Pour les morts • Sept pièces enfantines
Le grand jardinier de France • Symphony No. 4
Rhenish PO / James Lockhart / Gilles Nopre ..................... 8.223655

LESCHETIZKY, Theodor (1830 – 1915)
Leschetizky is remembered primarily as a legendary piano teacher. His career as a pianist, teacher and conductor took him to St Petersburg, where he taught at the Conservatory founded by his friend Anton Rubinstein, later moving to Vienna to teach privately, his pupils including many of the leading pianists of the new generation, including Schnabel, Mark Hambourg and Benno Moiseiwitsch. His compositions include a quantity of piano music, much of it calling for a high degree of virtuosity in performance.

“A la campagne” Suite • Two Pieces Op. 35
Three Pieces Op. 48 • Aria Op. 36, No. 1
Intermezzo en octaves • Six Méditations
Peter Ritzen, Piano .......................................................... 8.223525

Piano Concerto, Op. 9 • Die Erste Falte (Overture)
Suite “Contes de Jeunesse”, Op. 46
Peter Ritzen / Shanghai Philharmonic Orchestra / Cao Peng .................................................. 8.228303

LIADOV, Anatol Konstantinovich (1855 – 1914)
Liadov was a pupil of Rimsky-Korsakov, associated first with the Mighty Handful and then with the rival, younger circle of composers assembled by Belyayev. His colourful orchestral works include works such as Baba Yaga, drawing inspiration from the Russian witch of legend, and other pieces of similar origin, such as Kikimora and The Enchanted Lake. His piano music includes a series of attractive shorter pieces.

Orchestral Works
Baba Yaga, Op. 36 • Ballade, Op. 21b • The
Enchanted Lake, Op. 62 • Fragment from the
Apocalypse, Op. 66 • Intermezzo, Op. 8 • Kikimora,
in C, Op. 49, "In Memory of A.S.Pushkin" • Polonaise
in D, Op. 55, "for unveiling of statue of
A.S.Rubinstein"
Slovak Philharmonic Orchestra / Stephen Gunzenhauser .. 8.220348

* To be released
**LIAPUNOV, Sergei Michailovich (1859 – 1924)**

Liapunov had Tchaikovsky among his teachers at the Moscow Conservatory, later moving to St Petersburg, where he came under the direct influence of Balakirev, the dictatorial leader of the Russian nationalist Mighty Handful. He taught later at the Conservatory, but left Russia after the Revolution, teaching in Paris until his death in 1924. He wrote extensively for the piano, with an impressive set of Twelve Studies completed in 1905 and a number of character pieces, in which his interest in Russian folksong is often apparent.

*12 Etudes, Op. 11*
Konstantin Scherbakov, Piano .................................................. 8.223491

*Variations on a Georgian Theme*
Chant d’Automne • Sonata
Révérie du Soir • Toccata • Fugue
Dorothy Elliott Schecter, Piano .................................................. 8.223468

**LINDBLAD, Adolf Fredrik (1801 – 1878)**

An enthusiastic admirer of Beethoven from his days in Hamburg, the Swedish composer Adolf Fredrik Lindblad took lessons in Berlin from Zelter and became a friend of Mendelssohn. He is noted for his contribution to Swedish song, while his symphonies demonstrate a bold command of instrumentation.

*Symphony No. 1 in C major, Op. 19*
Uppsala Chamber Orchestra / Gérard Korsten ......................... 8.225105

**LISSANT-COLLINS, Henry (1880 – 1941)**

English by birth and training, Henry Lissant-Collins made his later career in South Africa, where he was able to pursue his interests in Zulu music. The so-called Fuquoi of the title of the work recorded is a transmigration of the Zulu name for Buller’s coucal, a shy bird found in dense bush country.

*Fuquoi in the Sugar Cane* (+ FAGAN / MOERANE)
(SOUTH AFRICAN MUSIC)
National Symphony Orchestra of the S.A.B.C. / Peter Marchbank .......................................................... 8.223709

**LORTZING, Albert (1801 – 1851)**

Lortzing was associated throughout his career with the theatre and is best remembered for his opera on Peter the Great, *Zar und Zimmermann* (Tear and Carpenter). He continues to explore the vein of German Romantic opera opened by Weber’s *Der Freischütz*. The overtures to some of his operas provide an introduction to his compelling style of composition.

*Overtures*
(Regina • Hans Sachs • Undine • Der Wildschütz
Der Pole und sein Kind • Der Waffenschmied
Zar und Zimmermann)
Berlin Radio SO / Leipzig Radio SO .......................................... 8.220310

**LUMBYE, Hans Christian (1810 – 1874)**

Influenced by the music of Lanner and of Strauss, the Danish composer and conductor Hans Christian Lumbye became a well-known figure at the Tivoli Gardens in Copenhagen, where he conducted and led his own orchestra in a repertoire of light music to which he made a major contribution as a composer, as he did to the ballets devised by his friend August Bournonville.

*Complete Orchestral Works Vol. 1*
Salut to August Bournonville • Queen Louise Vals
Vauxhall Polka • King Christian IX’s March-Past
Copenhagen Steam Railway Galop
A Summer Night at the Mon Cliffs • Caecile Waltz
Columbine Polka-Mazurka • Britta Polka
Cannon Galop • Amélie Waltz • Dagmar Polka
Deborah Polka-Mazurka • Artist Dreams
Otto Allin’s Drum Polka • Champange Galop
The Tivoli Symphony Orchestra / Giordano Bellincampi ...... 8.223743

*Complete Orchestral Works Vol. 2*
A Little Ditty for the Party, Galop • Amanda Waltz
Master Erik’s Polka
Victoria Bundsen Polka-Mazurka
King Carl XV’s March-Past • The Dream after the Ball
Military Galop • Crimoline Polka-Mazurka
Camilla Polka • Rosa and Rosita Waltz
Victoria Galop • Minerva Polka
Salute to Capri, Polka • Wally Polka
Regatta Festival, Waltz • Goodnight Polka
The Tivoli Symphony Orchestra / Giordano Bellincampi ...... 8.223744

*Complete Orchestral Works Vol. 3*
Tivoli Concert Salon Galop • Amager Polka, No. 2
Festival Polonaise in A major • Tivoli Vallière Galop
Concert-Polka for two violins • Ornithobolaia Galop
Carnival Joys. Pictures from a Masquerade
New Year Greeting, March • Torchlight Dance
Sounds from Kroll’s Dance Hall
Finale-galop from “The Guardsmen of Amager”
The Tivoli Symphony Orchestra / Giordano Bellincampi ...... 8.225122

*Complete Orchestral Works Vol. 4*
Happy New Year! Galop • Aldolphine Polka
March in C major • Christian Polka • Dagmar Waltz
Laura Polka • My Farewell to Berlin, Waltz
Constitution Celebration Galop • Horseshoe Polka-mazurka
Alice Polka • The Battle at Idsted, Fantasy
La Constance • Helga Polka-mazurka
Congratulations Galop
The Tivoli Symphony Orchestra / Giordano Bellincampi ...... 8.225170

*Complete Orchestral Works Vol. 5*
Regards to the Ticket-Holders of Tivoli • In the Dusk, Fantasy
• The Sleigh Ride, Galop • Salute March of
King Frederik VII • Marie Elisabeth Polka • Caroline
Polka Mazurka • Artist Carnival Locomotive Galop
Hesperus • Telegraph Galop • Salute Galop
Fountain Waltz • Jenny Polka • Memories from
Vienna • The Night Before New Year’s Day
The Tivoli Symphony Orchestra / Tamás Vető ...................... 8.225171

*Complete Orchestral Works Vol. 6*
5th of June, March • Little Prince Christian Carl’s
Waltz • The Dream of the Warrior, Fantasy
Regards to the Fredericianians • Harvest Flower,
Polka • Sadness Waltz • Princess Thuya Polka •
A Festive Night at Tivoli • Señora Ysabel Cuba’s Polka
Pomona Waltz • Tivoli Gondola Galop • Pepita Polka
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The Tivoli Symphony Orchestra / Tamás Vető ...................... 8.225223

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<td>The Italian composer and musicologist Gian Francesco Malipiero is well known for his editions of the music of Monteverdi and Vivaldi. Prolific enough as an original composer, he also provided arrangements of music by earlier composers, of which his Vivaldiana is one example. Two sets of Invenzioni (Inventions), the second with the appealing descriptive title La festa degli indolenti (The Feast of the Indolent) introduce music of his own, a sample of a vast range of orchestral and operatic compositions.</td>
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Tre comedie goldoniane (Symphonic Fragments)
Stradivario • La Cimarosiana • Gabrielliana
Orchestra della Svizzeria Italiana / Christian Benda 8.225118

MARIE, Ernest

The French composer Ernest Marie contributed to popular ballroom repertoire, not least in La Grande Dame, a schottische, a form for which he had a particular predilection.

La grande dame, Schottische
(LES SUCCES DE LA DANSE)
Slovak RSO / Jerome Cohen 8.223801

MARKEVITCH, Igor (1912 – 1983)

Distinguished as one of the great conductors of the century, Igor Markevitch started his career as a composer, with Stravinsky one of his most influential teachers. His Sinfonia No. 2 is a tribute to Nadia Boulanger, while Symphonic Overture is derived from a score intended for a Massine ballet, The Blue Danube. The short Cantique d’Amour is colourful in orchestration, varying in mood from languour to passion. L’Envol d’Icare, with its strange mis-tuning of some instruments, was planned as a ballet with Serge Lifar, a symbolic treatment of the legend of Icarus, while the neo-classical Concerto Grosso makes daring use of the soprano saxophone.

Complete Orchestral Music Vol. 1
Le Nouvel Âge • Sinfonia No. 2 • Symphonic Overture
Arnhem Philharmonic Orchestra / Christopher Lyndon-Gee 8.223653

Complete Orchestral Music Vol. 2
L’Envol d’Icare • Cantique d’Amour • Concerto Grosso
Arnhem Philharmonic Orchestra / Christopher Lyndon-Gee 8.223666

Complete Orchestral Music Vol. 3
Rébus • Hymnes
Arnhem Philharmonic Orchestra / Christopher Lyndon-Gee 8.223724

Complete Orchestral Music Vol. 4
Lorenzo il Magnifico • Psalm
Lucy Shelton / Arnhem Philharmonic Orchestra / Christopher Lyndon-Gee 8.223882

Complete Orchestral Music Vol. 5
La Taille de l’Homme
Lucy Shelton, Soprano / Arnhem Philharmonic Orchestra / Christopher Lyndon-Gee 8.225054

Complete Orchestral Music Vol. 6
Piano Concerto • Cantata
Martijn van den Hoek, Piano / Nienke Oostenrijk, Soprano / Netherlands Concert Choir / Arnhem Philharmonic Orchestra / Christopher Lyndon-Gee 8.225076

Complete Orchestral Music Vol. 7
Das Musikalische Opfer
Arnhem Philharmonic Orchestra / Christopher Lyndon-Gee 8.225120

MARSCHNER, Heinrich August (1795 – 1861)

Marschner retains a firm place in German operatic repertoire, while his horror opera Der Vampyr has recently made an unexpected appearance as a television serial. The best of his operas is perhaps Hans Heiling, which deals with the fatal love between an earth-spirit, Hans Heiling, and a mortal woman, a work very much in the tradition of Der Freischütz. The opera was first staged in Berlin in 1833.

Hans Heiling (Complete Opera) [2 CD’s]
Solists / Slovak Philharmonic Chorus & Orchestra / Ewald Körner 8.223306-7

Overtures
(Kaiser Adolph • Des Falkners Braut • Prinz Friedrich • Lukretia • Der Bänu • Der Goldschmied Der Tempel und die Jüdin Grande Ouverture solenne)
Slovak State PO / Alfred Walter 8.223342

MARTIN, Philip (b. 1947)

Born in Dublin, the Irish composer Philip Martin was a pupil of Franz Reizenstein and Louis Kentner in London. His subsequent career has centred on his native city, with important commissioned compositions and appearances as a solo pianist. His Piano Concerto No.2 casts the soloist in the role of a Dubliner, as he goes through a day in the city. Beato Angelico draws inspiration from the painter Fra Angelico, while his Harp Concerto mingles joy with sadness.

Beato Angelico • Piano Concerto No. 2
Harp Concerto
Philip Martin, Piano / Andreja Malif, Harp / National Symphony Orchestra of Ireland / Kasper de Roo

MARTINEZ–SOBRAL, Manuel (1879 – 1946)

Self-taught as a musician, the Guatemalan composer Manuel Martínez-Sobral worked for much of his career as a lawyer, virtually ceasing to compose after 1920. His Acuarelas Chapinas depict a Sunday in Guatemala City, morning, High Mass in the Cathedral at noon, cocktail hour and later observation of the scene from the window.

Acuarelas chapinas (+ CASTILLO)
Moscow Symphony Orchestra / Antonio de Almeida 8.223710

Acuarelas chapinas • Five Characteristic Pieces and a Romance • Four Autobiographical Waltzes
Suzanne Husson / Michael Bourdoncle, Piano 8.225188

Piano Music
Sonata for Piano • Hojas de Álbum Three Pieces for Piano • Evocaciones • Volapié Vals Brillante de Concierto
Suzanne Husson, Piano 8.225104

MASSNET, Jules (1842 – 1912)

Massenet was the leading French opera composer of his generation, with his operas Manon and Werther retaining their popularity in current international repertoire. Less well known are his Gendrillon (Cinderella) and Esclarmonde, from which orchestral suites have been drawn.

Suites (Esclarmonde • Cendrillon)

Hong Kong Philharmonic / Kenneth Jean

*To be released
**MAY, Frederick (1911 – 1985)**

A native of Dublin, Frederick May studied in London with Vaughan Williams and Gordon Jacob and in Vienna with Egon Wellesz, before returning to take up the position of music director at the Abbey Theatre. His music is generally Irish in flavour, influenced by the techniques of later romanticism.

**String Quartet in C minor**

(+ FLEISCHMANN)

Vanbrugh Quartet ............................................................ 8.223888

**MAYERL, Billy (1902 – 1959)**

Talented in childhood as a concert-pianist, Billy Mayerl made his later career in light music, broadcasting in the 1920s as pianist with the Savoy Havana Band and subsequently working with his own dance band. His compositions include a number of novelty pieces for piano, as well as music for the theatre.

**Aquarium Suite • Four Aces Suite • Marigold Pastoral Sketches • Bats in the Belfry**

From a Spanish Lattice • Autumn Crocus

Slovak RSO / Gary Carpenter ............................................................ 8.223514

**MEDTNER, Nikolai Karlovich (1880 – 1951)**

Medtner studied at the Moscow Conservatory, where he later taught the piano intermittently, before leaving Russia in 1921 to settle first in Paris and then, in 1935, in England, where he remained until his death. Most of Medtner's compositions are for the piano, apart from a large number of songs to Russian texts and a small number of chamber works. Particularly notable are his piano sonatas, some of which, like the Sonata-Skazka (Fairy Tale Sonata) and Sonata-Idylle have explanatory titles. In style his music may be generally compared with that of Rachmaninov, although he writes in a distinctive enough language that is recognizably his own.

**Sonata in F minor • Sonata-Triad Op. 11**

Adám Fellegi, Piano ............................................................ 8.223268

**Sonata-Ballada • Sonata Reminiscenza**

Sonata Tragica • Sonata-Idylle

Adám Fellegi, Piano ............................................................ 8.223372

**Sonatas Op. 22 & Op. 25, No. 2**

Sonata-Skazka Op. 25, No. 1

Adám Fellegi, Piano ............................................................ 8.223371

**MERCADANTE, Saverio (1795 – 1870)**

Although his operas have largely disappeared from modern repertory, Mercadante was among the leading Italian composers of his time, a contemporary of Bellini, Donizetti and the rather younger Verdi. His sixty operas, written between 1819 and 1866 offer a conspectus of Italian operatic practice, the context in which his better-known contemporaries worked.

**Elena da Feltre (Dramma tragico) [2 CDs]**

Soloists / Wexford Festival Opera Chorus / National Symphony Orchestra of Ireland / Maurizio Benini ............................................................ 8.225064-65

**MÉTRA, Olivier (1830 – 1889)**

Olivier Métra was a successful precursor of Waldteufel in the world of French dance music in the mid-nineteenth century.

**Espérance!, Valse • La Sérénade, Valse espagnole**

LES SUCCES DE LA DANSE

Slovak RSO / Jerome Cohen ............................................................ 8.223801

**MEULEMANS, Arthur (1884 – 1966)**

A leading figure in Flemish music, Arthur Meulemans developed a musical language strongly influenced by French impressionism, shown particularly in his orchestral writing. His three operas are evidence of his national interest in the music of his native country, while his abstract Symphony No. 2, written in 1933, is in contrast to the evocative pictures of nature evoked in his romantic and programmatic Symphony No. 3, the Fir Symphony and Swan Fen Symphony.

**Fir Symphony**

(FLEMISH ROMANTIC MUSIC)

VRT Philharmonic Orchestra / Frédéric Devreese ............................................................ 8.223776

**Symphony No. 7 “Swan Fen”**

(+ BENOIT / MORTELMANS / VAN HOOF)

(FLEMISH ROMANTIC MUSIC II)

VRT Philharmonic Orchestra / Silvere Van den Broeck ............................................................ 8.225101

**MEYERBEER, Giacomo (1791 – 1864)**

French grand opera owes much to the German-Jewish composer Giacomo Meyerbeer, who had his first success in Paris in 1826 with his tenth opera, Il crociato in Egitto (The Crusade in Egypt). From 1831 until his death in 1864 he provided Paris with four notably spectacular grand operas. L’étoile du nord is a work of another kind, a mixture of the comic and the serious and of song and speech, first staged at the Paris Opéra-Comique in 1854. It deals with a romantic episode in the life of Peter the Great, in disguise in Western Europe and in love with a determined canteen-girl, who later, after escape and transitory madness, is restored to her lover, now revealed as the Tsar.

**L’Étoile du Nord [3 CD’s]**

Elizabeth Futral / Vladimir Ognev / Christopher Maltman / Wexford Festival Opera Chorus / National Symphony Orchestra of Ireland / Wladimir Jurowski ............................................................ 8.223829-31

**MIASKOVSKY, Nikolai Yakovlevich (1881 – 1950)**

Miaskovsky was a friend and mentor of the young Prokofiev at the St. Petersburg Conservatory, where he had been taught by Liadov and Rimsky-Korsakov, after private lessons with Glüe. His 27 symphonies, spanning a period from 1908 to 1950, encompass and to some extent seek to express the varied fortunes of Russia and the Soviet Union. Another aspect of his work is heard in the nine piano sonatas, which span a similar period.
Among the most gifted and, arguably, the most prolific French composer of the twentieth century, Darius Milhaud was born in Aix-en-Provence, a region of France that continued to influence him, in spite of the disruption to his life of war-time exile in America. Milhaud was a member of Les Six and continued throughout his life to write music of wit and superlative craftsmanship, from his early setting of a farm-machine catalogue to his specifically Jewish compositions.

**MOERAN, Michael Mosoeu (1904 – 1980)**

Michael Moeran was the first black African to take a degree in music at a South African university. His symphonic poem *My Country* was written as part of his degree requirements and is based on adaptations of African songs.

**MONTSAVATGE, Xavier (1912 – 2002)**

The Catalan composer Xavier Montsalvatge is among the leading musicians of contemporary Spain, writing in a style that combines Catalan elements in a convincing synthesis, evident in his *Concierto breve* for piano and orchestra, written in 1953, and in his more recent remarkable and moving *Sinfonía de réquiem*.

**MOSONYI, Mihály (1815 – 1870)**

Like Liszt, the Hungarian composer Mihály Mosonyi was born near the borders of Hungary into a German-speaking family and studied in Pozsony, the modern Bratislava. He spent the later part of his career, some thirty years, in Pest, where he taught the piano and composition, turning his own attention to the composition of truly Hungarian music, an aim in which he enjoyed considerable success. His many works include operas, sacred and secular vocal works, two symphonies and a quantity of piano music of Hungarian inspiration.

**MOTTA, Vianna da (1868 – 1948)**

The Portuguese pianist and composer José Vianna da Motta studied the piano and composition in Berlin and with Hans von Bülow in Frankfurt. He attended Liszt’s final classes in Weimar and his close association with the music of Liszt was to continue after the latter’s death in 1886. One of the leading
pianists of his time, he finally returned to Portugal in 1917, becoming director of the Lisbon Conservatory in 1919 and doing much to establish there a broader system of musical and cultural education. The influence of Liszt is apparent in his compositions for piano, where Portuguese elements have an increasing part to play.

**Sonata in D major** • Cenas portuguesas Opp. 9 & 18
**Ballada** • Barcarolas Op. 1, Nos. 1 & 2 • Adeus, minha terra
Sequeira Costa, Piano .................................................... 8.22516

**MOYZES, Alexander (1906 – 1984)**

The career of the Slovak composer Alexander Moyzes centred on Bratislava, where he was distinguished as a teacher, while, as a composer, combining some modernist tendencies with Slovak traditions. His Gemer and Pohronie Dances and the tone poem Down the River Váh evoke the spirit of his own country.

**Gemer Dances** • Down the River Váh
**Pohronie Dances**
Slovak RSO / Ondrej Lenárd ............................................. 8.223278

**Symphonies Nos. 1 & 2**
Slovak RSO / Ladislav Slovák ............................................ 8.225088

**Symphonies Nos. 3 & 4**
Slovak RSO / Ladislav Slovák ............................................ 8.225089

**Symphonies Nos. 5 & 6**
Slovak RSO / Ladislav Slovák ............................................ 8.225090

**Symphonies Nos. 7 & 8 “21.08.1968”**
Slovak RSO / Ladislav Slovák ............................................ 8.225091

**Symphonies Nos. 9 & 10**
Slovak RSO / Ladislav Slovák ............................................ 8.225092

**Symphonies Nos. 11 & 12**
Slovak RSO / Ladislav Slovák ............................................ 8.225093

**MUCZYNSKI, Robert (b. 1929)**

Among the leading American composers today, Robert Muczynski has spent much of his career as a teacher of composition, while writing music that is effective and lyrical, qualities evident in his works for wind instruments, which provide a significant addition to wind repertoire.

**Complete Works for flute**
Alexandra Hawley & Jean-Pierre Rampal, Flutes / Robert Muczynski, Piano / Stanford Woodwind Quintet ..... 8.225041

**MULLER, Pierre (?) – 1901)**

Pierre Muller is representative of French composers writing for the ball-rooms of the second half of the nineteenth century, with a series of polkas, waltzes and other dances to his credit, including works based on popular melodies of the time.

**Le roi malgré lui, Valse** • L’Infanterie française.
**Polka militaire** • Nuit étoilée, Valse
(LES SUCCES DE LA DANSE)
Slovak RSO / Jerome Cohen ............................................. 8.223801

**NELSON, Havelock (1917 – 1996)**

Born in Cork, the Irish composer Havelock Nelson spent his career as a conductor and choral director largely in Northern Ireland, retiring in 1977 to live in Trinidad and Tobago. His many compositions include a number of characteristic songs.

**The Little Pets of Mocha** • Dirty Work
(A SHEAF OF SONGS FROM IRELAND)
Bernadette Greevy, Mezzo-soprano / Hugh Tinney, Piano .................................................... 8.225098

**NEPOMUCENO, Alberto (1864 – 1920)**

Alberto Nepomuceno occupies an important position as a pioneer of Brazilian music, indebted to his teacher Fonseca, and active in his encouragement of the young Villa-Lobos. A period in Europe brought study in Berlin, lessons with the organist Guilmant in Paris, contact with Brahms and significantly with Grieg, one of whose pupils became his wife. Distinguished in his career in Brazil as a teacher, conductor and composer, he wrote in a musical language that owed much to contemporary European tradition.

**Suite Antigo, Op. 11** • Nocturnes Nos. 1 and 2
**Improviso, Op. 27, No. 2** • Sonata Op. 9
**Cinco pequenaspeças**
Maria Inês Guimarães, Piano ............................................. 8.223548

**NEWMAN, Alfred (1901 – 1970)**

Alfred Newman took lessons from Schoenberg, but made his career in musical comedy and then in the world of the cinema, providing scores for some 250 films, as head of the 20th Century-Fox music department in Hollywood. His scores range from City Lights to The Greatest Story Ever Told and Airport.

**All About Eve (Suite)** • Beau Geste
**The Hunchback of Notre Dame**
**The Egyptian (with Herrmann)**
Moscow Symphony Orchestra and Chorus /
William Stromberg .......................................................... 8.223750

**NIN-CULMELL, Joaquín Maria (b. 1908)**

Brother of the writer Anaïs Nin and son of the Cuban composer and pianist Joaquín Nin, Joaquín Nin-Culmell was trained in Paris, where he was a pupil of Dukas, later taking lessons from Manuel de Falla. Although long resident in the United States, where he has held important academic positions, he has written music of a markedly Spanish flavour, including a fascinating series of piano pieces, Tonadas, that draw on Spanish material.

**Tonadas (Complete)**
Maria Luisa Cantos, Piano ............................................. 8.225078

**NORDGREN, Erik (1913 – 1992)**

For many years music director of Svensk Filmindustri, the Swedish composer Erik Nordgren is particularly noted for his collaborations with Ingmar Bergman in some seventeen films, classics of the cinema.
Women’s Waiting • Smiles of a Summer Night
Wild Strawberries • The Face • The Garden of Eden
Slovak RSO / Adriano .................................................. 8.223862

NOVÁK, Vítĕzslav (1870 – 1949)

Vítĕzslav Novák was a fellow-student of Josef Suk in Dvořák’s composition master-class at the Prague Conservatory. Discouraged by other teachers in Prague, he found renewed inspiration in the folk-music of Moravia and Slovakia, which strongly influenced his music. His piano tone-poem Pan, later orchestrated, represents Novák at the height of his powers.

Pan (Symphonic Poem)
Slovak Philharmonic / Zdeněk Bilĕk .................................. 8.223325

Serenades in F major and D major, Op. 36
Ukrainian Chamber Orchestra / Andrew Mogrelia ........ 8.223649

O’BRIEN, Vincent (1870 – 1948)

The name of Vincent O’Brien is associated in particular with Irish and other Celtic verse settings and compositions.

The Fairy Tree
(A SHEAF OF SONGS FROM IRELAND)
Bernadette Greevy, Mezzo-soprano / Hugh Tinney, Piano .......................................................... 8.225098

ORR, Buxton (1924 – 1997)

A native of Glasgow and a pupil of Benjamin Frankel, Buxton Orr taught for a number of years at the London Guildhall School of Music, with an interest in jazz and a musical language, as a composer, that combines a tendency towards the tonal with occasional use of serial techniques. His compositions include dramatic works, as well as orchestral, vocal and instrumental compositions of considerable variety.

Piano Trios Nos. 1 - 3
Soloists / Thüringer Landestheater Rudolstadt / Rolf Reuter .......................................................... 8.223627-28

OSWALD, Henrique (1852 – 1931)

Swiss by descent and Brazilian by birth, Henrique Oswald spent many years in Italy, returning to spend the last twenty years of his life in Rio de Janeiro. His music is strongly influenced by French music of the turn of the century, his own well crafted idiom one of some refinement, particularly evident in his piano pieces and chamber music.

Piano Music
Feuilles d’Album, Op. 20 • Valse Lente
Três Peças, Op. 23 • Nocturnes Nos. 1 & 2, Op. 6
Il Neige • Seis Peças, Op. 14
Maria Inês Guimarães, Piano ............................................ 8.223639

PACINI, Giovanni (1796 – 1867)

A rival of Bellini and Donizetti, Giovanni Pacini outlived both, achieving his greatest success in 1840 with Saffo, based on the life and suicide of the Greek poetess of Lesbos. Described by Rossini as the composer with the most genius in Italy, Pacini here breaks away from the pattern set by Rossini in a work suggesting the influence of Bellini’s Norma in its dramatic intensity.

Saffo [2 CD’s]
Francesca Pedaci / Carlo Ventre / Roberto de Candia / Mariana Pentecheva / Gemma Bertagnolli / Aled Hall / Davide Baronchelli / Wexford Festival Opera Chorus / (Chorus Master: Lubomir Matl) / National Symphony Orchestra of Ireland / Maurizio Benini ...................................................... 8.223883-84

PFITZNER, Hans (1869 – 1949)

Widely known for his opera Palestina, Hans Pfitzner occupied an important position in German musical life, at least until 1934. His orchestral compositions include a piano concerto, while his 1931 opera Das Herz and the Overture to Das Christ-Elflein, written in 1906, exemplify his work for the theatre.

Das Herz (Complete Opera) [2 CD’s]
Soloists / Thüringer Landestheater Rudolstadt / Wolf Harden / Slovak RSO / Heribert Beissel ..................... 8.223162

PIERNÉ, Gabriel (1863 – 1937)

A pupil of Massenet and Franck at the Conservatoire, Pierné enjoyed a career in Paris as a conductor and as a composer. His music shows a firm technical command, reflecting the eminence of his teachers. This is apparent in his chamber music and works for piano as in his orchestral compositions and works for the theatre.

Fifteen Pieces • Sérénade à Colombine • Scherzando de Concert
Etude de Concert
Hae-won Chang, Piano ................................................ 8.223115

Flute Sonata Op. 36 • Piano Trio Op. 45
István Matuz, Flute / Norbert Szecelsényi, Piano
Béla Bánfalvi, Violin / Katalin Vass, Cello ..................... 8.223189

PILATI, Mario (1903 – 1938)

The death of the Italian composer Mario Pilati at the age of 35 has led to subsequent neglect of a musician of considerable promise and achievement. Encouraged by Pizzetti, he moved from Naples to Milan, but later returned south once more, drawing inspiration from his native region. His Concerto in C is based on the concept of the Baroque concerto grosso, while other works exemplify his original approach to the neo-classical tendencies of the earlier twentieth century.

Concerto for Orchestra • Preludio, Aria e Tarantella
Bagatelle
Slovak RSO / Adriano .................................................. 8.225156

PIZZETTI, Ildebrando (1880 – 1968)

Ildebrando Pizzetti represents a relatively conservative tendency in the Italian music of the twentieth century, with an early lyrical style developing into a more dramatic language in later works, evident in his chamber music as in much of his other work. His compositions include operas and incidental music for the theatre, a quantity of vocal and orchestral music and a smaller quantity of chamber music. He was also distinguished as a conductor, teacher and writer on musical subjects.

*To be released
Canti della stagione alta  
(Concerto for piano and orchestra)

Prelude per Fedra • Sinfonia del fuoco
Susanna Stefani, Piano / Boris Statsenko, Baritone  
Städtischer Opernchor, Chemnitz /  
Robert-Schumann-Philharmonie / Oleg Caetani
8.225058

Piano Trio in A • Violin Sonata in A • Tre Canti
Leila Rásonyi, Violin / László Fenyó, Cello /  
Alpesian Ertüngalp, Piano
8.223812

String Quartets in A major and in D
LaJtha Quartet
8.223722

PONCE, Manuel M. (1882 – 1948)

A composer and pianist, Manuel Ponce had his early training in his native Mexico, before further study in Bologna and in Berlin. He started his career in Mexico, followed by a period in Paris, where he benefited from the assistance of Paul Dukas. He established himself once more in Mexico in 1933, writing music that had a wide general appeal and, in particular, providing Andrés Segovia with a notable guitar concerto, the Concerto del sur, with other compositions for the instrument. His music in general reflects the traditions of Mexico.

Piano Music
Preludio and Fugue on a theme of Handel  
Full moon • Four Mexican Dances • Intermezzo  
Introduction, Prelude and Fugue on a theme of J.S. Bach • In Spitze of Everything – Dance for the Left Hand Alone • Scherzino Mexicano • Prelude and Fugue for the Left Hand Alone • Two Concert Etudes  
Notturno • Mexican Ballade
David Witten, Piano
8.223609

POOT, Marcel (1901 – 1988)

A student at the Brussels Conservatory and then at the Royal Flemish Conservatory in Antwerp, Marcel Poot showed an early interest in music for the cinema. A pupil of Gilson and later of Dukas, he developed a musical idiom that allows ironic effect and is shown at its most cheerful in compositions like the popular Vrolijke ouverture. His varied works include the dramatic, the orchestral, vocal and chamber music.

Cheerful Overture  
(FLEMISH ROMANTIC MUSIC)
BRT Philharmonic Orchestra, Brussels /  
Alexander Rakhbari
8.223418

Moto Perpetuo: Tarentelle  
Symphonies Nos. 3, 5 & 7
Moscow Symphony Orchestra / Frédéric Devreese
8.223805

Symphony No. 6 • Pygmalion (Suite)  
Symphonic Allegro • Vrolijke Ouverture
Moscow Symphony Orchestra / Frédéric Devreese
8.223775

PORTUGAL, Marcos Antônio (1762 – 1830)

Born in Lisbon, Marcos Antônio Portugal had his musical training and early career there, continuing to write operas from 1792 to 1800 in Naples. He returned to Lisbon, eventually rejoining the exiled court in Rio de Janeiro, where he held a dominant position in musical life until his death. His comic opera Le donne cambiate, another work based on Coffey’s play The Devil to Pay, was first staged in Venice in 1797.

Le donne cambiate  
(Musical farce in one act)
Ana Paula Russo / Ana Ferraz / Jorge Vaz de Carvalho /  
Luís Rodrigues / Alberto Lobão da Silva / Nuno do Villalonga /  
City of London Sinfonia / Álvaro Cassuto
8.225154

POTTER, Archibald James (1918 – 1980)

Archie Potter was born in 1918, the son of a blind Belfast pianotuner. He won a scholarship to the Royal College of Music where he studied with Vaughan Williams. A highly prolific and distinguished composer who won many awards, he wrote distinctive music that encompasses a wide variety of styles and techniques, always using whatever would best suit his purpose. The Sinfonia “De Profundis” was first performed in 1969. A powerful work, it won a Jacob’s Radio Award that year. Other music can be in a lighter vein, combining Irish wit and humour with evocative and poetic orchestration.

Sinfonia “De Profundis” • Finnegan’s Wake  
Fantasia Gaelach No. 1 • Variations on a Popular Tune • Overture to a Kitchen Comedy
National Symphony Orchestra of Ireland /  
Robert Houlihan
8.225158

POULENC, Francis (1899 – 1963)

Associated with Les Six in Paris in the early 1920s, Francis Poulenc enjoyed a career of great distinction, writing music that at first had an elegant if superficial attraction, before maturity brought greater profundity to his work. Les Mariés de la Tour Eiffel was an early collaborative effort with other composers of the group, under the influence of Cocteau.

Les Mariés de la Tour Eiffel
Ensemble Erwartung / Bernard Desgraupes
8.223788

QUILTER, Roger (1877 – 1953)

The English composer Roger Quilter was a fellow-student of Percy Grainger, Cyril Scott and Balfour Gardner at the Hoch Conservatory in Frankfurt. His reputation in England rests largely on his songs and on his light music for orchestra, such as his Children’s Overture, with its interwoven rhytime tunes.

A Children’s Overture • Where the Rainbow Ends  
As You Like It • Country Pieces • The Rake  
Three English Dances • Concert Waltz from Rosmé
Slovak RSO / Adrian Leaper
8.223444

RABAUD, Henri (1873 – 1949)

Born in Paris in 1873 into a family that included many distinguished professional musicians, Henri Rabaud studied composition at the Conservatoire with Massenet and Gédalge, later coming under the influence of César Franck and Wagner. Conservatively inclined, in 1922 he succeeded Fauré as director of the Conservatoire, retaining this position for nearly twenty years. His compositions include operas, film music and incidental music for the theatre as well as two symphonies and other orchestral works.

Dances from “Mârouf” • Procession Nocturne  
Suites Anglaises Nos. 2 and 3 • Églogue  
Divertissement
Rheinland-Pfalz Philharmonic / Leif Segerstam
8.223503

* To be released
RACHMANINOV, Sergey (1873 – 1943)

Trained at the Moscow Conservatory as a pianist and composer, Rachmaninov had established himself in the second capacity before the Russian Revolution. Exile abroad led him to turn his attention to concert performance as a pianist and as a conductor, leaving much less time for composition. He was one of the most distinguished virtuoso pianists of his time. In addition to his well known orchestral and piano compositions Rachmaninov also made a number of piano transcriptions of his own music and that of others for his own concert use. Compelled to leave Russia after the revolution of 1917, Sergey Rachmaninov established himself abroad as a pianist of remarkable virtuosity, his busy career allowing less time than before for composition. His popular Vocalise, particularly effective in cello transcription, was written in 1912 and revised three years later.

Transcriptions (Complete)
Sequeira Costa, Piano ........................................................ 8.220093

RAFF, Joachim (1822 – 1882)

Remembered by an early generation primarily for his popular Cavatina, heard in many arrangements, Raff spent part of his earlier career as assistant to Liszt in Weimar, and ended his life as director of the Hoch Conservatory in Frankfurt. He wrote eleven symphonies, most of them with some programmatic content, all in the competent style of the period.

Aus Thüringen • Italienische Suite
Slovak State Philharmonic / Richard Edlinger ...................... 8.223194
Symphony No. 2
Overtures (Romeo and Juliet • Macbeth)
Slovak State PO / Urs Schneider ........................................ 8.223630
Symphony No. 7 “In den Alpen”
Concert Overture Op. 123
Slovak State Philharmonic / Urs Schneider ......................... 8.223506
Symphonies Nos. 8 & 9
Slovak State Philharmonic / Urs Schneider ......................... 8.223362

RAVEL, Maurice (1875 – 1937)

French, of paternal Swiss and maternal Basque descent, Ravel combined skill in orchestration with meticulous technical command of harmonic resources, writing in an attractive musical idiom that was entirely his own, in spite of contemporary comparisons with Debussy, a composer his senior by some twenty years. Ravel’s attempts at the prestigious Prix de Rome were uniformly unsuccessful, as he continually failed, finally, perhaps, deliberately, to satisfy the academic standards of the jury. His five Prix de Rome cantatas are recorded now for the first time. Maurice Ravel had a particular affinity with Spanish music, as exemplified in his popular Habanera, originally for piano, the Sinfonia Drammatica and works for voice and orchestra that include settings of Shelley, Aretusa, La sensibilita and Il tramonto.

Lauréat • Matinée de Provence • Tout est lumière
Les bayadères • La nuit (+ CAPLET / DEBUSSY)
Sharon Coste, Soprano / Brigitte Desnoues, Soprano / Gaëlle Le Roi, Soprano / Marc Duguey, Tenor / Jean-François Lapointe, Baritone / Chœur et Orchestre de Paris-Sorbonne / Jacques Grimbert ........................................................ 8.223755

RESPIGHI, Ottorino (1879 – 1936)

The colourful tone-poems by Respighi, The Fountains of Rome, The Pines of Rome and The Festivals of Rome are well known to concert audiences, brilliant evocations of the city where Respighi had settled in 1913. Respighi’s other works deserve a wider audience. These include the Concerto Gregoriano for violin and the Concerto in Modo Misolidio for piano, the Sinfonia Drammatica and works for voice and orchestra that include settings of Shelley, Aretusa, La sensibilita and Il tramonto.

La bella dormiente nel bosco (Sleeping Beauty)
Cantatas (Aretusa • La Sensibilita • Il Tramonto)
Quattro Liriche
Faridah Subrata, Mezzo-Soprano / Slovak RSO / Adriano ....................... 8.223347
Concerto in Modo Misolidio
3 Gregorian Preludes
Slovak RSO / Adriano ....................................................... 8.223346

REYNOLDS, Alfred (1884 – 1969)

A pupil of Humperdinck, Alfred Reynolds was, like many other British composers of light music, a man of the theatre. Apart from an orchestral intermezzo, a few dozen songs and a few instrumental miniatures, his considerable output was entirely associated with the stage in one way or another. Flourishing in the period from the Great War to the 1950s, he is less well remembered than many of his contemporaries, although highly regarded in his day. He collaborated with the actor-manager Nigel Playfair and was adept at musical shows, including a popular stage version of 1066 and All That.

Alice through the Looking-Glass Suite • The Toy Cart Suite • Marriage à la Mode Suite • Three Pieces for Theatre • Festival March • The Taming of the Shrew • Suite of Five Dances from The Duenna • Ouverture for a Comedy • The Sirens of Southend • Swiss Lullaby and Ballet • Three Pieces for Theatre
Royal Ballet Sinfonia / Gavin Sutherland ...................... 8.225184

* To be released
One of the Russian nationalist mighty Handful, Rimsky-Korsakov developed a sound command of orchestral technique, devoting himself entirely to music after service in the Russian navy. Compositions such as Sheherazade and Capriccio Espagnol are very well known to audiences. Less familiar is his Night on Mount Triglav, derived from his opera Mlada, and his suite from the opera Pan Voyevoda, colourful additions to general repertoire.

Night on Mount Triglav • Pan Voyevoda
Slovak Philharmonic / Bystrík Rezucha

Jean Rivier’s career and health were affected by the war of 1914-18. In later years he taught composition at the Paris Conservatoire, alternating with and then replacing Darius Milhaud on the latter’s death. His compositions include a number of works that involve the saxophone. Of these the 1955 Concerto for saxophone, trumpet and strings is a fine example.

Concerto for Alto Saxophone, Trumpet and String Orchestra (FRENCH SAXOPHONE CONCERTOS) (+ DOUBIS / SCIORTINO)
Daniel Gremelle, Saxophone / Antoine Curé, Trumpet / Slovak State Philharmonic Orchestra (Košice) / Bystrík Rezucha

Blind since the age of three, Joaquín Rodrigo for years retained a position of the greatest prominence in Spanish music, with his guitar concertos, in particular, establishing his international reputation. His music combines Spanish elements with a strong sense of formal style.

Zarabanda lejana y villancico (+ MONTSALVATGE)
Madrid Symphony Orchestra / Antoni Rós Marbà

A pupil of Fauré at the Paris Conservatoire, Roger-Ducasse developed his own musical idiom, disciplined by classical principles and predominantly lyrical, in a late romantic musical language of some complexity.

Marche française • Nocturne de printemps
Petite Suite • Le joli jeu de furet • Orphée
Rheinland-Pfalz Philharmonic / Leif Segerstam

Prélude d’un ballet • Suite française
Au jardin de Marguerite • Epithalame
Rheinland-Pfalz Philharmonic / Leif Segerstam

Turning to music after a legal training, Joseph-Guy Ropartz was a pupil of Dubois and Massenet at the Paris Conservatoire, later falling under the influence of César Franck. He was a prolific composer and a skilful administrator. He retired in 1929 to his native Brittany, the influence of which on his music and thought remained strong.

Ropartz, Joseph–Guy (1864 – 1955)

ROSENBERG, Hilding (1892 – 1985)
The Swedish composer and conductor Hilding Rosenberg held a leading position in the musical life of his country, writing a quantity of music that reflects contemporary influences. His choral works represent a significant element in Swedish music of the twentieth century.

The Holy Night (+ LARSSON)
Karin Ingebäck / Anders Larsson / Anna Larsson / John Erik Eleby / Freg Lindkvist / Amadei Chamber Choir / Swedish Chamber Orchestra / Petter Sundkvist

ROSENTHAL, Manuel (b. 1904)
A pupil of Ravel, Manuel Rosenthal has enjoyed an active career as a conductor, while contributing significantly to the body of French music, neo-classical in character and diverse enough in genre, with operas and ballets, orchestral, choral and chamber music.

Orchestral Works
Les Petits Métiers • Mélodies • Musique de table
Catherine Dubosc, Soprano / Orchestre Symphonique et Lyrique de Nancy / Jérôme Kaltenbach

ROSSINI, Gioachino (1792 – 1868)
Best known as a composer of opera, both comic and tragic, Rossini also turned his hand to instrumental music of various kinds, both as a young man and in his later years, after his early retirement from the opera-house. His work includes operatic sets of variations, including the 1820 Andante with Variations, originally for harp and viola, but here transcribed for harp and flute.

Andante with Variations in F major
(ROMANTIC MUSIC FOR FLUTE AND HARP)
Marc Grauwels, Flute / Catherine Michel, Harp

RÓZSA, Miklós (1907 – 1995)
Educated first in his native city of Budapest, the Hungarian composer Miklós Rózsa continued his studies in Leipzig, settling then in Paris. In 1935 he moved to London to work for the Korda brothers, whom he later joined in Hollywood. He enjoyed a successful career in America, writing music for the cinema and for the concert hall, with a Violin Concerto commissioned by Heifetz and a Piano Concerto derived from his score for the Hitchcock film Spellbound.

The King’s Thief
(+ KORNGOLD / STEINER / YOUNG)
Brandenburg Philharmonic Orchestra, Potsdam / Richard Devreese

RUBBRA, Edmund (1901 – 1986)
A pupil of Cyril Scott, the English composer Edmund Rubbra worked for the railways when he left school, but later won scholarships that allowed him to study music as a pupil of Gustav Holst. After earlier activity as a pianist in a distinguished career as a conductor, while contributing significantly to the body of French music, neo-classical in character and diverse enough in genre, with operas and ballets, orchestral, choral and chamber music.
piano trio, for some twenty years he was a lecturer in music at Oxford. As a composer his individual voice is heard in his eleven symphonies, while his moving Cello Sonata echoes his interest in counterpoint and in the earlier traditions of vocal music.

Cello Sonata in G minor, Op. 60
(+ IRELAND / MOERAN)
Raphael Wallfisch, Cello / John York, Piano .......................... 8.223718

**RUBINSTEIN, Anton (1829 – 1894)**

One of the greatest pianists of his day, Anton Rubinstein came to occupy an important position in Russian music with his establishment in 1862 of the St Petersburg Conservatory, the first such institution in Russia. His relationship with the Russian nationalist composers led by Balakirev was hostile, leading him to categorize them as amateurs, while they labelled him “German”, a reference to the sound technical training given to his students, who included the young Tchaikovsky. As a composer Rubinstein was technically gifted, avoiding the apparent crudity of the nationalists. He wrote a considerable amount of music, including piano concertos, symphonies, operas and compositions for piano, among the last the notorious Melody in F.  

**Ballet Music (Demon • Feramors • Nero)**
Slovak Philharmonic / Michael Halász ........................................... 8.220451

**The Demon (Complete Opera) [2 CD’s]**
Anatoly Lohchak / Alison Browner / Marina Mescheriakova / Leonid Zinmenko / Valery Serkin / Richard Robson / Ludmilla Andrej / Wjacheslav Weinorowski / Wexford Festival Opera Chorus / National Symphony Orchestra of Ireland / Alexander Anissimov ........................................... 8.223761-82

**Fantasy Op. 84 • Concert Piece Op. 113**
Joseph Banowetz / Slovak RSO / Oliver Dohnányi .................................. 8.223190

**Kamennyi-ostrov Volume 1 (24 Musical Portraits)**
Joseph Banowetz, Piano ................................................................ 8.223846

**Kamennyi-ostrov Volume 2 (24 Musical Portraits)**
Joseph Banowetz, Piano ................................................................ 8.223847

**Piano Concertos Nos. 1 & 2**
Joseph Banowetz / Slovak State Philharmonic / Alfred Walter .......... 8.223456

**Piano Concertos Nos. 3 & 4**
Joseph Banowetz / Slovak State Philharmonic / Robert Stankovsky .......... 8.223382

**Piano Concerto No. 5 • Caprice Russe**
Joseph Banowetz / Slovak RSO / Robert Stankovsky ........................................ 8.223498

**Piano Music Volume 1**
*Album de Peterhof, Op. 75*
Joseph Banowetz, Piano ................................................................. 8.223176

**Piano Music Volume 2**
*Soièrres musicales, Op. 109*
Joseph Banowetz, Piano ................................................................. 8.223177

**Piano Works**
*Six Etudes Op. 23 • Barcarolles Nos. 1 - 6*
Alexander Paley, Piano ................................................................ 8.223894

**Symphony No. 4 “Dramatic”**
Slovak State Philharmonic / Robert Stankovsky .............................. 8.223319

**Symphony No. 5 • Faust • Dmitry Donskoy**
George Enescu State PO / Horia Andreescu .............................. 8.223320

**Symphony No. 6**
George Enescu State PO / Horia Andreescu .............................. 8.223320

**Violin Concerto in G major Op. 46 • Don Quixote**
(Humoresque for Orchestra) Op. 87
Takako Nishizaki, Violin / Slovak PO / Michael Halász .......................... 8.220359

**RYABOV, Vladimir (b. 1950)**

Joseph Ryabov displays his deep religious convictions in the remarkable oratorio Agnus Dei, an extended meditation on the mystery of Easter, and a companion-piece to his three other oratorios, firmly founded on Catholic traditions of mysticism and reflecting his own background as a member of an old-established Catholic Belgian aristocratic family.

**Agnus Dei: Oratorio in Five Parts [2 CD’s]**
Ingrid Kapelle, Soprano / Lucienne Van Deyck, Mezzo-soprano / Joseph Cornwell, Tenor / Huub Claessen, Tenor / Stephan Macleod, Basses / Audite Nova / Altra Voce / Royal Flanders Philharmonic Orchestra / Grant Llewellyn ................................................................. 8.223785-6

**SAINTON, Philip (1891 – 1967)**

The grandson of a well enough known French violinist and conductor and his English singer wife, Philip Sainton had a career as a viola-player, while composition took second place, until an accident compelled a change of concentration. His most remarkable work is his collaboration, at John Huston’s request, on the film Moby Dick.

**Moby Dick**
Moscow Symphony Orchestra / William Stromberg .......................... 8.225050

**SALIERI, Antonio (1750 – 1825)**

Unfairly treated in the play Amadeus and similarly in the previous century by Pushkin, Salieri was, in his own time, a musician of the highest importance, serving for many years as Court Kapellmeister in Vienna. A protégé of Gassmann and then of Gluck, he won considerable success with his operas, particularly in Paris, and was instrumental in the training of many younger musicians, including Beethoven and Schubert. His many compositions include over forty operas, in addition to a large quantity of attractive music of all kinds, in the classical style of Vienna.

**Overtures**
*Il Talismano • Axur • Les Danaides • Il Moro • Armida • L’Angiolina • Don Chisciotte • Eraclito e Democrito*
Slovak RSO / Michael Dittrich .............................. 8.223381
SALTER, Hans J. (1896 – 1994)

Hans Salter was born in Vienna and had his early career in Austria and Germany, moving to the United States of America after the accession to power of Hitler. Under contract to Universal Studios, he spent many years composing and arranging music for films of all kinds, including two of the best known Frankenstein horror films, The Ghost of Frankenstein and The House of Frankenstein.

The Ghost of Frankenstein • Son of Dracula
Black Friday • Man Made Monster
(+ SKINNER)
Slovak RSO / William T. Stromberg .............................. 8.225124

SALTER, J. Hans & DESSAU, Paul:
House of Frankenstein (Complete Film Score)
Moscow Symphony Orchestra / William T. Stromberg ........ 8.223748

Music for Frankenstein
RTE Concert Orchestra / Andrew Penny ........................................ 8.223747

SALTER, J. Hans & SKINNER, Frank:
Son of Frankenstein • The Invisible Man Returns
The Wolf Man
Moscow Symphony Orchestra / William T. Stromberg ........ 8.223747

SAUGUET, Henri (1901 – 1989)

It was with the encouragement of Darius Milhaud that Henri Sauguet moved to Paris, where he met Koechlin and Satie, composers who had a strong influence on him. He made an early impression with his ballet music, a success equalled by his operas. His Symphonie Exploatoire explores a deeper vein, a lament for the victims of war.

Symphony No. 1 “Exploatoire”
Moscow Symphony Orchestra / Antonio de Almeida .................. 8.223463

Symphony No. 2 “The Seasons” (2 CDs)
Geneviève Ruscica, Soprano / Moscow Capella
Moscow Symphony Orchestra / Antonio de Almeida ............ 8.223464-65

Symphony No. 3 “I.N.R.” & Symphony No. 4 “Du Troisième Age”
Moscow Symphony Orchestra / Antonio de Almeida ............ 8.223472

SCARMOLIN, Anthony Louis (1890 – 1969)

The Italian-born American composer Scarmolin worked for many years as a teacher, while securing a reputation in particular as a composer of lighter music. He continued to write in a more serious vein and among over a thousand works are operas, tone-poems and other works that have a serious claim on attention.

Dance from “The Caliph” • Three Miniatures
Three Preludes • The Sunlit Pool • Invocation
Variations on a Folk Song • Arioso
Concert Piece for Trumpet and Strings • Prelude
Janáček Philharmonic Orchestra / Slovak RSO / Joel Eric Suben ........................................ 8.225031

SCHILLINGS, Max von (1868 – 1933)

Max von Schillings, well known as a conductor, was appointed Intendant of the Berlin Opera in 1918 and during the following seven years before his resignation was responsible for the first performances of important operas by Pfitzner, Schreker, Busoni and Richard Strauss, the last named an important influence on his career. Compositions by Max von Schillings include a brilliant violin concerto, a symphonic prologue to the Oedipus Rex of Sophocles and the opera Moloch, based on a fragment by Friedrich Hebbel.

Two Melodramas on texts by Friedrich Schiller
(+ HARRIS / S. WAGNER)
Martin Neubauer, Speaker / Thüringian SO / Konrad Bach .......................................................... 8.223660

Violin Concerto • Moloch • King Oedipus
Ernő Rózsa, Violin / Slovak State Philharmonic / Alfred Walter ........................................................................ 8.223324

SCHMIDT, Franz (1874 – 1939)

A cellist under Mahler at the Vienna Court Opera, Franz Schmidt had studied composition under Bruckner and Robert Fuchs and piano with Leschetizky. As a composer Schmidt distinguished himself with his four symphonies and in the opera-house with his first opera Notre Dame. His two clarinet quintets, one with a string quartet and clarinet and the other with a piano quartet and clarinet, make interesting additions to the repertoire of the wind instrument.

Clarinet Quintet in A major
Aladár Jánoska, Clarinet / Stanislav Mucha, Violin / Alexander Lakatő, Viola / Ján Slávik, Cello / Daniela Ruso, Piano .......................................................... 8.223414

Clarinet Quintet in B flat • 3 Pieces
Romance • Tocat ca
Aladár Jánoska, Clarinet / František Török, Violin / Alexander Lakatő, Viola / Ján Slávik, Cello / Daniela Ruso, Piano .......................................................... 8.223415

Symphony No. 1 • Music from “Notre Dame”
Budapest SO / Michael Halász ........................................ 8.223119

SCHMITT, Florent (1870 – 1958)

The French composer Florent Schmitt occupied an important position in French musical life. Of particular interest among a variety of works is his La tragédie de Salomé, written in 1907 as a ballet and treating a subject of particular sensual appeal at the time. Schmitt drew some inspiration from an earlier visit to Istanbul to produce a score of exotic instrumental colour.

Danse d’Abisag • Habéssée
“Rêves” • Symphony No. 2
Rheinland-Pfalz Philharmonic / Leif Segerstam ....................... 8.223689

La Tragédie de Salomé
Marie-Paule Fayt, Voice / Rheinland-Pfalz Philharmonic / Patrick Davin ........................................ 8.223448

SCHOENBERG, Arnold (1874 – 1951)

Schoenberg’s theories of composition, an extension of chromaticism to allow an element of equality between all twelve notes included in the scale, presented in a set order, have had a strong influence on composers in the twentieth century, from the work of his pupils Berg and Webern onwards. Born in Vienna, his own early work is post-Wagnerian, only gradually moving into a more astringent musical language. He spent some years in Berlin, before enforced emigration to the United States of America, where he died in 1951. His work includes original and unexpected arrangements of the music of other composers, including a 1925 re-instrumentation of the Emperor Waltz.

* To be released
Kaiserwalzer (Johann Strauss II)  
(+ BLOCH / WOLF-FERRARI)  
MiNensemblet ............................................................ 8.223868

SCHREKER, Franz (1878 – 1934)  
The position of Franz Schreker in the music of the present century is now under re-assessment. He belongs to a generation of composers whose careers were stifled or ended by the political situation in Germany after 1933. Schreker’s opera Der ferne Klang (The Distant Sound), the subject of a number of recent revivals and a first staging in England, is a remarkable work in its blend of the mystical and reality. Die Gezeichneten (The Sealed Ones) explores similar territory, of which the early Die Flammen gives a foretaste. A fuller picture of Schreker’s achievement is given in his orchestral compositions.

Flammen (Complete Opera)  
Soloists / Instrumental Ensemble and Chorus of the PPP Music Theatre (Munich) / Frank Strobel ................. 8.223328-30

Die Gezeichneten (Complete Opera) [3 CD’s]  
Soloists / Chorus and Orchestra of Dutch Radio & T.V. / Edo de Vaart .................................................................... 8.223328-30

SCHUBERT, Franz (1797 – 1828)  
In his short life Schubert, a native of Vienna, wrote a considerable quantity of music of all kinds. His Wind Octet of 1813 survives only in fragmentary form but has been restored by modern scholars to make a viable work. Some of his many songs have been variously transcribed, including the well-known Serenade.

Wind Octet in F major. D. 72  
(+ LACHNER / WEBER)  
ROMANTIC WIND MUSIC  
German Wind Soloists ................................................. 8.223356

SCHWEITZER, Anton (1735 – 1787)  
Alceste  
Sylvia Koke, Soprano / Ursula Targler, Soprano / Christian Voigt, Tenor / Christoph Johannes Wendel, Bass / Erfurt Theatre Opera Chorus / Philharmonisches Orchester Erfurt / Stephan E. Wehr .............................................................. 8.225261-62

SCIORTINO, Patrice (b. 1922)  
A man of some versatility, with interests that include literature and drama, Patrice Sciortino was trained at the Schola Cantorum in Paris, where he has subsequently served as professor of composition. His Sonances, first performed and recorded for Marco Polo, is a demanding work in which the solo instrument is contrasted with different sections of the orchestra until the final use of the full orchestra in a concluding summary.

Sonances (FRENCH SAXOPHONE CONCERTOS)  
(+ DUBOIS / RIVIER)  
Daniel Gremelle, Saxophone / Slovak State Philharmonic Orchestra (Košice) / Bystrík Režucha .............................................................. 8.225127

SCOTT, Cyril (1879 – 1970)  
A member of the so-called Frankfurt gang of British composers, Cyril Scott was a contemporary at the Hoch Conservatory of Percy Grainger, Balfour Gardiner and Roger Quilter. His pervasive interest in theosophy had an effect on his career as a composer, which became subject to the vagaries of occult control. Remembered popularly for Lotus Leaves, Cyril Scott produced much weightier music in his symphonies and concertos and, in later years, in his chamber music. He was also distinguished as a pianist, and impressed the public in both capacities in performances of his own 1915 piano concerto.

Aubade • Neapolitan Rhapsody • Three Dances  
Suite Fantastique • Two Passacaglias on Irish Themes  
National Symphony Orchestra of the S. A. B. C. / Peter Marchbank ................................................. 8.223485

SHOSTAKOVICH, Dmitry (1906 – 1975)  
In the course of a career that brought both success and conflict in Soviet Russia, Shostakovich provided a quantity of music for the theatre and the cinema. Among the latter is his score for The Gadfly, written in 1955 and represented by an ironic Tarantella, here arranged for cello.

The Fall of Berlin • The Unforgettable Year 1919  
Ellena Alekseyeva, Piano / Moscow Capella & Youth Chorus / Moscow SO / Adriano .................................................. 8.223897

Hamlet (The Complete Film Music)  
Russian Philharmonic Orchestra / Dmitry Yablonsky ........ 8.225270*

SINDING, Christian (1856 – 1941)  
Best known for his salon piece The Rustle of Spring, the Norwegian composer Sinding was trained at Leipzig Conservatory and returned home to win a solid reputation in Norway as a composer in the late Romantic style of the period. This is exemplified in his attractive piano trios, written in 1893 and 1902.

Piano Trios Nos. 2 & 3  
Ilona Prunyi, Piano / András Kiss, Violin / Tamás Koo, Cello .............................................................. 8.223283

SKINNER, Frank (1897 – 1968)  
Frank Skinner made his career in Hollywood, largely in the service of Universal Studios. In collaboration with Hans Salter he produced a notable and important series of film-scores, often under extreme pressure. His musical background had been in dance-music, as a musician and arranger, his gifts proving an admirable foil to the work of the formally educated refugee from Nazi Germany, Salter.

Sherlock Holmes and the Voice of Terror  
(+ SALTER)  
Slovak RSO / William T. Stromberg .................................. 8.225124

Son of Frankenstein  
Moscow Symphony Orchestra / William T. Stromberg ........ 8.223747

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SMETANA, Bedřich (1824 – 1884)

The leading Czech nationalist composer of his generation, Smetana is best known abroad for his opera The Bartered Bride and for his cycle of symphonic poems Ma Vlast (My Country). His eight other Czech operas are less frequently heard outside his own country, but can be sampled in orchestral excerpts. His Festive Symphony is an interesting earlier orchestral work which has not always proved acceptable because of the political connotations of one of its principal themes.

Festive Symphony
ORF Symphony Orchestra / Lothar Zagrosek ................... 8.223120

Orchestral Highlights from Operas
Slovak State Philharmonic / Robert Stankovsky .......... 8.223326

Suite from Smetana’s Sketch Book
Wedding Scenes • Other Short Orchestral Works
Slovak RSO / Robert Stankovsky ............................... 8.223705

SOLER, Josep (b. 1935)

Josep Soler holds an important position in the musical life of his native Catalonia. He draws on wider European traditions as well as the music of his own country, notably in the five volumes of his Harmonices Mundi, where he has occasion to display his command of counterpoint. His Sonata No.3 is derived from his song-cycle based on poems from Sufic tradition.

Nocturnes Nos. 1-12 • Nocturne Poem
Jordi Masó, Piano ......................................................... 8.225235

Piano Music
Piano Sonata No. 3 “The Song of God” • Partita
Soler RSO / Robert Stankovsky ............................... 8.225083

SOUSA, John Philip (1854 – 1932)

Known principally as a composer of military marches, John Philip Sousa also wrote a series of successful operettas and other stage works. In a career spent largely as a bandmaster, he was able to arrange elements of this repertoire for concert use.

Orchestral Works Vol. 1 “On Stage”
The Bride Effect • El Capitan • Our Flirtations
Razumovsky Symphony Orchestra / Keith Brion .............. 8.223872

Orchestral Works Vol. 2
“The Stars and Stripes Forever”
Slovak RSO / Keith Brion ........................................... 8.223873

Orchestral Works Vol. 3
“On Wings of Lightning”
Razumovsky Symphony Orchestra / Keith Brion .............. 8.223874

SOWERBY, Leo (1895 – 1968)

Leo Sowerby holds an unrivalled position among American organists and composers for the organ, writing a quantity of works for the instrument, many of which remain an essential part of present repertoire. His Festival Musick and Classic Concerto were written for the distinguished organist E. Power Biggs and Pageant for Fernando Germani, organist at St Peter’s in Rome.

Classic Concerto • Mediaeval Poem
Pageant • Festival Musick
David Craighead and David Mulbury, Organs / The Fairfield Orchestra / John Welsh .............................. 8.223725

SPÁTH, Andreas (1790 – 1876)

Andreas Spáth began his career as a clarinettist in Coburg, where he served in the court musical establishment. He was later employed in Switzerland as a church organist, before his final return to Coburg as concert-master. His music largely reflects the age of Schubert into which he was born.

Introduction and Variations for Clarinet and Orchestra (CLARINET AND ORCHESTRA)
Dieter Klöcker, Clarinet / Slovak RSO / Gernot Schmalfuss .............................................................. 8.223431

SPOHR, Louis (1784 – 1859)

Violinist, conductor and composer, Spohr enjoyed an early career as a virtuoso, later settling as director of music in Kassel, a position that had once been offered to Beethoven and later to Weber. Spohr’s pedagogical works for the violin remain well known to students. Less familiar are his fine string quartets, of which he wrote some three dozen. His ten symphonies span a period from 1811 to 1857 and his fourteen violin concertos a similar length of time, from 1802 to 1844. These last include works well known to students of the violin, models of early nineteenth century concerto style. His instrumental works include virtuoso compositions for the clarinet, exemplified by the Variations on a Theme from the opera Alruna. For his wife, a distinguished harpist, he wrote concertos and duo sonatas, the latter for violin and harp, but apt for transcription, as here, for flute and harp.

Songs (Early and Middle-Period)
Marjorie Patterson, Soprano / Daniel Sarge, Piano .......... 8.223869

String Quartets Vol. 1 (Op. 84, Nos. 1 & 2)
New Budapest Quartet ................................................. 8.223251

String Quartets Vol. 2 (Op. 84, No. 3 & Op. 93)
New Budapest Quartet ................................................. 8.223252

String Quartets Vol. 3
(Op. 4, Nos. 1 and 2 & Op. 15, No. 2)
New Budapest Quartet .................................................. 8.223253

String Quartets Vol. 4
(Op. 11 • Op. 15, No. 1 • Op. 27)
New Budapest Quartet .................................................. 8.223254

String Quartets Vol. 5 (Op. 29, Nos. 1 & 2)
New Budapest Quartet .................................................. 8.223255

String Quartets Vol. 6 (Op. 58, Nos. 1 & 2)
New Budapest Quartet .................................................. 8.223256

String Quartets Vol. 7 (Op. 43 & Op. 45, No. 1)
New Budapest Quartet .................................................. 8.223257

String Quartets Vol. 8 (Op. 45, Nos. 2 & 3)
New Budapest Quartet .................................................. 8.223258

Strings Quartets Vol. 9 (Op. 74, Nos. 1 & 2)
New Budapest Quartet .................................................. 8.223259

String Quintets Vol. 1
Op. 33 Nos. 1 & 2
Danubius Quartet / Sándor Papp, 2nd Violin ................... 8.223597
String Quintets Vol. 2  
Opp. 106 & 129  
Haydn Quartet, Budapest / Sándor Papp, 2nd Viola .......................... 8.223598

String Quintets Vol. 3  
Opp. 69 & 91  
New Haydn Quartet / Sándor Papp, 2nd Viola ................................. 8.223599

String Quintets Vol. 4  
New Haydn Quartet / Attila Falvay, Violin / Sándor Papp, Viola / Tamás Varga, Cello ................................................................. 8.223600

Symphonies Nos. 1 & 5  
Slovak State Philharmonic / Alfred Walter ...................................... 8.223363

Symphony No. 2 (+LACHNER)  
Singapore SO / Choo Hoey ........................................................... 8.220360

Symphonies Nos. 2 & 9  
Slovak State Philharmonic / Alfred Walter ...................................... 8.223454

Symphonies Nos. 3 & 6  
Slovak State Philharmonic / Alfred Walter ...................................... 8.223439

Symphony No. 4 • Overtures (Faust • Jessonda)  
Budapest SO / Alfred Walter ......................................................... 8.223122

Symphonies Nos. 7 & 8  
Slovak State Philharmonic / Alfred Walter ...................................... 8.223432

Theme and Variations on a theme from the opera  
Aruna  
(CLARINET AND ORCHESTRA)  
Dieter Klöcker, Clarinet / Slovak RSO / Gernot Schmittluss .............................. 8.223431

Violin Concertos Nos. 2 & 9  
Christiane Edinger, Violin / Slovak RSO / Frank Cramer .......................... 8.223510

STADLER, Anton (1753 – 1812)  
The Stadler brothers were the first clarinettists to be employed, from 1787, in the Vienna Court Orchestra. It was for Anton Stadler and his newly devised basset-clarinet that Mozart wrote his Quintet and Concerto. Stadler’s music is chiefly for his own instrument or for various wind ensembles.

Intermezzos Nos. 1 to 4  
(CLARINET AND ORCHESTRA)  
Michael Heitzler, Clarinet / Slovak RSO / Gernot Schmittluss ........................... 8.223431

STANCHINSKY, Alexei Vladimirovieh (1888 – 1914)  
A pupil of Zhilayev and Taneyev at the Moscow Conservatory, Stanchinsky, a schizophrenic, later destroyed many of his earlier compositions, while composing only intermittently during the final years of his short life. Influenced at first by Mussorgsky and then by Skryabin, he left a series of interesting and experimental piano compositions that promised much.

Piano Sonatas • Three Sketches • Twelve Sketches  
Daniel Blumenthal, Piano .................................................................. 8.223424

STANFORD, Charles Villiers (1852 – 1924)  
Born in Dublin in 1852, Charles Villiers Stanford established himself in England as a leading figure in the musical life of the country, appointed professor of composition at the Royal College of Music in London at its foundation in 1883 and four years later elected to the chair of music at Cambridge. As a composer he was among the most influential in England in the second half of the nineteenth century, writing music in many genres, including a substantial body of organ music, reflecting in technique something of the formal training he had had as a student in Leipzig and Berlin. He also contributed considerably to the contemporary song repertoire, particularly in settings of poems from Ireland.

GRANDEUR • The Fairy Lough • Irish Skies  
(The Treasure of the Sierra Madre)  
Bernadette Greevy, Mezzo-soprano / Hugh Tinney, Piano ................................................................. 8.225098

Organ Sonatas Nos. 2, 3 & 4  
Joseph Payne, Organ ......................................................................... 8.223754

STANKOVYCH, Yevhen (b. 1942)  
Regarded by many as the most important modern Ukrainian composer since his teacher, Lyatoshynsky, Yevhen Stankovych belongs to a group of Soviet composers of a more adventurous cast of mind than was always acceptable to the official musical establishment. His symphonies, with their descriptive titles, are, nevertheless, a part of wider Russian tradition, grandiose in conception and colourful in execution.

Symphonies Nos. 1 “Sinfonia larga”, 2 “Heroic” & 4 “Sinfonia irica”  
National Symphony Orchestra of Ukraine / Theodore Kuchar ................................................................. 8.223792

STEINER, Max (1888 – 1971)  
God-son of Richard Strauss, Max Steiner worked on Broadway in 1914 and in 1929 settled in Hollywood, where he wrote some 300 film scores, relying largely on the Viennese tradition in which he had been brought up. Here he provided apt dramatic music with great facility for a variety of films, whether ghost-stories, like The Beast with Five Fingers, thrillers, Westerns or other tales of celluloid heroism.

All This, and Heaven Too • A Stolen Life  
Moscow Symphony Orchestra & Choir / William Stromberg ................................................................. 8.225218

King Kong  
The Complete 1933 Film Score  
Moscow Symphony Orchestra / William Stromberg ................................................................. 8.223763

The Lost Patrol • Virginia City  
The Beast with Five Fingers  
Moscow Symphony Orchestra / William T. Stromberg ................................................................. 8.223870

They Died With Their Boots On  
Moscow Symphony Orchestra / William T. Stromberg ................................................................. 8.225079

The Son of Kong • The Most Dangerous Game  
Moscow Symphony Orchestra / William T. Stromberg ................................................................. 8.225166

The Three Musketeers (KORNGOLD / RÓZSA / YOUNG)  
Moscow Symphony Orchestra / Richard Devreeze ................................................................. 8.223607

The Treasure of the Sierra Madre  
Moscow Symphony Orchestra and Chorus / William T. Stromberg ................................................................. 8.225149

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**STERNEFELD, Daniel (1905 – 1986)**

Daniel Sternefeld’s music may often recall that of Mahler or of Richard Strauss in its expressive imagination and strength of feeling. His opera *Mater Dolorosa* is based on a story by Hans Andersen, dealing with a mother’s struggle with death for the life of her child, for whom death in the end proves preferable. His *Symphony No. 1*, written in hiding in war-time Belgium, echoes the troubles of the day, while his tribute to Rossini strikes a much lighter note.

**Mater dolorosa**  
(Opera in four tableaux)

Flemish Radio Choir / Zeffiretti Choir of Antwerp / Royal Flanders Philharmonic Orchestra / Grant Lewllyn .................................................... 8.225068-69

**Symphony No. 1 • Four Interludes and Finale from the opera “Mater Dolorosa”**  
RossiniAzata  
Moscow Symphony Orchestra / Frédéric Devreese .............. 8.223813

**STEvens, Bernard (1916 – 1983)**

The English composer Bernard Stevens was a pupil of Dent at Cambridge and of R.O.Morris and Gordon Jacob in London before his own appointment in 1948 as professor of composition at the London Royal College of Music. His Marxist philosophy was instrumental in forming his style of composition, which is clear and approachable, but contributed to subsequent unjustified neglect of his music.

**Piano Concerto, Op. 26 • Dance Suite, Op. 28**  
Variations, Op. 36  
Martin Roscoe, Piano / National Symphony Orchestra of Ireland / Adrian Leaper ... 8.223480

**STEVENSON, Ronald (b. 1928)**

The Scottish composer, pianist and writer Ronald Stevenson was born in Blackburn in 1928 and studied at the Royal Manchester College of Music, later settling in Scotland, where he has devoted himself particularly to composition. His most remarkable work is the Passacaglia on DSCH, based on the notes representing the name of Shostakovich. The Passacaglia, which takes some eighty minutes to perform, demonstrates the breadth of his vision, his technical competence and the wide range of his musical imagination.

**Passacaglia on DSCH**  
Raymond Clarke, Piano .......................................................... 8.223545

**STRAUSS, Oscar (1870 – 1954)**

Born in Vienna in 1870, Oscar Strauss studied with Max Bruch, but made his career in operetta and light music. Internationally he is known particularly for The Chocolate Soldier. He spent the war years abroad, returning to Germany in 1948, two years later providing music for the film La ronde, which won him even wider popularity. He wrote music for films, for ballet and above all for the light music theatre, with over forty operettas to his credit.

His Most Popular Works  
Rund um die Liebe • Walzerträume • Alt-Wiener Reigen • Komm, komm, Held meiner Träume • Didi Valse lente • Mennett à la Cour • Tragant L’amour m’emporte • Der Reigen  
Veronika Kincses, Soprano / Budapest Strauss Symphony Orchestra / Alfred Walter ......... 8.223596

**STRAUSS, Isaac (1806 – 1888)**

Isaac Strauss contributed to the repertoire of French ball-room music in Paris. His quadrille on themes from Offenbach’s opera Orpheus in the Underworld is topically characteristic of the period.

**Orphée aux enfers, Quadrille**  
(LES SUCCES DE LA DANSE)  
Slovak RSO / Jerome Cohen .................................................... 8.223801

**STRAUSS, Johann I (1804 – 1849)**

The older Johann Strauss, father of the later Viennese Waltz King, himself earned a similar title with his dance-orchestra that he set up in Vienna in 1825, the year of his oldest son’s birth. In a much shorter life than that of his son Johann, he wrote a large quantity of waltzes, cotillons, galops, quadrilles, marches and polkas, establishing and adding substantially to a form of music that seemed to epitomize Vienna in the years after Napoleon.

**Complete Orchestral Works Vol. 1**  
Camerata Cassovia / Christian Pollack ................................. 8.225213

**Complete Orchestral Works Vol. 2**  
Camerata Cassovia / Christian Pollack ................................. 8.225252

**Complete Orchestral Works Vol. 3**  
Slovak Sinfonietta Zilina / Ernst Mährendorfer .................... 8.225253

**Orchestral Works**  
Tausendapferment-Walzer • Erinnerung an Berlin • Heimath • Klänge • Moldau Klänge • Fest-Lieder a.o.  
Slovak State PO / Mika Eichenholz ....................................... 8.223617

**STRAUSS, Johann II (1825 – 1899)**

The Waltz King of Vienna needs little introduction. The full variety of his work can be appreciated in the complete edition of his orchestral works available only in the Marco Polo complete recording.

**Complete Orchestral Works Volume 1**  
Slovak State Philharmonic / Alfred Walter ......................... 8.223201

**Complete Orchestral Works Volume 2**  
Slovak State Philharmonic / Alfred Walter ......................... 8.223202

**Complete Orchestral Works Volume 3**  
Slovak State Philharmonic / Alfred Walter ......................... 8.223203

**Complete Orchestral Works Volume 4**  
Slovak State Philharmonic / Richard Edlinger ..................... 8.223204

**Complete Orchestral Works Volume 5**  
Slovak State Philharmonic / Oliver Dohnányi ....................... 8.223205

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Slovak State Philharmonic / Oliver Dohnányi ....................... 8.223206

**Complete Orchestral Works Volume 7**  
Polish State PO / Oliver Dohnányi .................................... 8.223207

**Complete Orchestral Works Volume 8**  
Polish State PO / Oliver Dohnányi .................................... 8.223208

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**STRAUSS, Josef (1827 – 1870)**

Josef Strauss, the son of the first Johann Strauss and brother of the second composer of that name, was induced to join his elder brother in what had become an immensely successful family business, providing dance music for Vienna and much of the rest of Europe in what had become the family musical idiom. The complete project comprises 26 volumes.
Richard Strauss has an established position as a composer of symphonic poems such as Till Eulenspiegel and Also sprach Zarathustra and as a composer of operas. Less well known is his early Symphony in D minor, written in 1880, when he was sixteen, and before he had fallen under the influences of Wagner, and his 1884 Symphony in F minor.

Symphony in D minor • Interludio
Kampf und Sieg
Hong Kong Philharmonic / Kenneth Schermerhorn ........... 8.220323

Symphony in F minor, Op. 12
Slovak Philharmonic Orchestra / Michael Halász ............ 8.220358

SUCHON, Eugen (1908 – 1993)

Among the leading Slovak composers of his generation, Eugen Suchon enjoyed a successful career in Bratislava, holding a variety of important positions in academic and musical life. His Metamorphosis, variations on original themes, written in 1953, reflects some of the events in the history of the country, while the earlier Ballad Suite, completed in 1935, is influenced by the traditional music of Slovakia.

Metamorphosis • Suite Balladescque
Slovak Philharmonic Orchestra / Zdenek Kosler ............... 8.223130

SULLIVAN, Arthur (1842 – 1900)

The fame of Sir Arthur Sullivan has largely depended on his collaboration with Gilbert in a series of operettas of continuing and institutionalised popularity. His reputation in his own time resulted rather from his eminence as a conductor, teacher and composer. An introduction to his orchestral music is provided by incidental music for the theatre and his ballet music.

Ballet Music (L’ile Enchantée • Thespis)
RTE Concert Orchestra / Andrew Penny .......................... 8.223460

Incidental Music
(The Merchant of Venice • Henry VIII
The Sapphire Necklace • Overture in C)
RTE Concert Orchestra / Andrew Penny .......................... 8.223461

Victoria and Merrie England (Complete Ballet Music)
RTE Sinfonia / Andrew Penny ........................................ 8.223677

SUPPÉ, Franz von (1819 – 1895)

Austrian, but Belgian by descent and born in Split, later to be a part of Yugoslavia, Franz von Suppé made his career principally in Vienna as a composer and conductor of operetta. Overtures to these are generally familiar, and include Poet and Peasant (Dichter und Bauer), Light Cavalry (Leichte Kavallerie), Fair Galatea (Die schöne Galatea) and Morning, Noon and Night in Vienna (Ein Morgen, ein Mittag und ein Abend in Wien). As a composer he also turned his attention to other musical forms, including symphonies, church music and string quartets, although this part of his work has been completely overshadowed by his lighter music for the theatre.

Marches, Waltzes and Polkas
Einzugsmarsch aus “Prinz Liliput”
Herrjegerle-Polka • Coletta-Walzer
In der Hinterbrühl, Marsch
Tiroler Tanz und Frischka • Le Voyage en Afrique,
Polka française • L’Orientale, Polka mazur
Bellman-Marsch • Romankapitel, Polka française
Glückswalzer aus “Die Jagd nach dem Glück”
Erzherzog Wilhelm-Marsch • Danza delle Chiozzotte
Liebeswalzer aus “Lohengelb oder Die Jungfrau v. Dragant”
Slovak State Philharmonic Orchestra (Košice) / Christian Pollak .......................... 8.223864

Overtures Volume 1
(Poet and Peasant • Fortune’s Labyrinth
Donna Juanita • Carnaval • Boccaccio
The Mistress • Jolly Robbers
The Goal of the Wanderer • Queen of Spades)
Slovak State Philharmonic / Alfred Walter ......................... 8.223647

* To be released
TANEYEV, Sergei Ivanovich (1856 – 1915)

Solemn Overture
Afrikareise • Was kommt dort von der Höh'

Triumph-Ouvertüre
Märchenwelt • Die G'frettbrüderln • Kopf und Herz
Zehn Mädchen und kein Mann • Kindereien

Herzenseintracht, Polka • Franz Schubert
Frauenräuber und Wanderbursche • Reise durch die österreichischen Volkshymne • Die Liebe zum Volke

Summer Night's Dream

including Rachmaninov and Scriabin. Taneyev had a precise

The nephew of Alexander Taneyev, Sergei Taneyev was a pupil of Tchaikovsky at the Moscow Conservatory and was the soloist at the first Moscow performance of Tchaikovsky's First Piano Concerto. He was distinguished as a teacher, his pupils including Rachmaninov and Scriabin. Taneyev had a precise mastery of compositional techniques, evident in his finely crafted symphonies.

Symphonies Nos. 2 & 4

Polish State PO / Stephen Gunzenhauser ................. 8.223196

TANSMAN, Alexandre (1897 – 1986)

Polish by birth, Alexandre Tansman settled in France, a major influence on his composition. He was a close associate of Stravinsky with whose work Tansman's compositions have points in common, not least in their variety.

Complete Guitar Music
Marc Regnier ......................................................... 8.223690

Concerto for Orchestra • Etudes • Capriccio
Moscow Symphony Orchestra / Antonio de Almeida ........ 8.223757

Symphony No. 5 • Four Movements for Orchestra
Stèle in memoriam d'Igor Stravinsky
Slovak State Philharmonic / Meir Minsky ....................... 8.223379

TAVAN, Emile (1849 – 1929)

Emile Tavan's 1881 polka, Le Carnaval Viennois, remains characteristic of its period and genre.

Le carnaval viennois, Polka
(LES SUCCES DE LA DANSE)
Slovak RSO / Jerome Cohen .............................. 8.223801

TCHEREPNIN, Alexander (1899 – 1977)

The son of a well known Russian musician, Alexander Tcherepnin, pianist, conductor and composer, settled in France after the Russian Revolution. His compositions were influenced by his visits to China and Japan. In 1950 he moved, with his Chinese wife, to the United States. Tcherepnin's style is experimental, without being extravagantly so, its originality still based on his Russian heritage. This last is evident in his Russian Dances.

Symphony No. 4 • Overture Op. 67
Suite Op. 87 • Russian Dances
Slovak State Philharmonic / Wing-Sie Yip ...................... 8.223380

TCHEREPNIN, Nikolay (1873 – 1945)

A pupil of Rimsky-Korsakov in St Petersburg, Nikolay Tcherepnin distinguished himself as composer, pianist and conductor, in the last capacity conducting for Dyagilev the first Ballets Russes season in Paris, where his own ballet Le Pavillon d'Armide won success in 1911. Settling in Paris, he wrote music for Pavlova and continued as a composer combining fundamentally Russian inspiration with the influences of France.

Le Pavillon d'Armide
Moscow Symphony Orchestra / Henry Shek ..................... 8.223779

THALBERG, Sigismond (1812 – 1871)

A virtuoso pianist of the highest order and rival of Liszt, Thalberg’s principal compositions are a series of operatic fantasies for piano, works that transform popular opera such as Don Giovanni or The Barber of Seville into piano works of incredible brilliance.

Les Soirées de Pausilippe, Op. 75
Francesco Nicolosi, Piano ..................................... 8.223807
Catholic France what Bach had achieved for Lutheran Germany. In the body of work left by a musician who set out to achieve for another facet of his gifts and are, in their way, equally remarkable organists. Less familiar are his symphonies, which represent The name of Charles Tournemire is well enough known to remembered by many for his weekly broadcast Friday Night is resources of the symphony orchestra. In Britain he will be arranger, making imaginative and often novel use of the orchestration, displayed, in particular, in a series of concertos and in music that reflects his own Corsican descent.

Requiem pour la Paix • Fanfares Liturgiques
Étre ou ne pas Être

VARIOUS SOLOISTS / CHOEUR RÉGIONAL PACA, ORCHESTRE PHILHARMONIQUE DE MARSEILLE / MICHEL PIQUEMAL

TOURNEMIRE, Charles (1870 – 1939)

The French composer Henri Tomasi won particular distinction for his work in the theatre, including a series of ballet-scores and operas. He follows the tradition of Ravel in his colourful orchestration, displayed, in particular, in a series of concertos and in music that reflects his own Corsican descent.

Silverthorn Suite • Little Serenade
Cinderella Waltz • Nautical Interlude
An English Overture • Kielder Water
2nd Suite of English Folk-Dances

Slovak RSO / Ernest Tomlinson

TOMASI, Henri (1901 – 1971)

Of Russian-Jewish origin, Sidney Torch established himself in England as a talented conductor of popular classics, notably with the BBC Concert Orchestra, and as a gifted composer and arranger, making imaginative and often novel use of the resources of the symphony orchestra. In Britain he will be remembered by many for his weekly broadcast Friday Night is Music Night.

London Musical Transport Suite
All Strings and Fancy Free • Barbecue
Trappeze Waltz • Concerto Incognito
On a Spring Note • Bicycle Belles • Comic Cuts
Mexican Fiesta • Petite Valse • Samba Sud
Shortcake-Walk • Slavonic Rhapsody

BBC Concert Orchestra / Barry Wordsworth

TOMLINSON, Ernest (b. 1924)

Ernest Tomlinson, a man of Lancashire by birth and education, is a prolific composer of light music and conductor of his own light music orchestras.

First Suite of English Folk-Dances • Light Music Suite
Dances from Aladdin • Comedy Overture
Georgian Miniature • Rhapsody and Rondo

Slovak RSO / Ernest Tomlinson

TORCH, Sidney (1908 – 1990)

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TOURNEMIRE, Charles (1870 – 1939)

The name of Charles Tournemire is well enough known to organisms. Less familiar are his symphonies, which represent another facet of his gifts and are, in their way, equally remarkable in the body of work left by a musician who set out to achieve for Catholic France what Bach had achieved for Lutheran Germany.

Symphonies Nos. 1 “Romantique” & 5
Moscow Symphony Orchestra / Antonio de Almeida

Symphonies Nos. 2 “Ouessant” & 4
Moscow Symphony Orchestra / Antonio de Almeida

Symphonies Nos. 3 “Moscow 1913” & 8 “Le triomphe de la mort”
Moscow Symphony Orchestra / Antonio de Almeida

Symphony No. 7 (Les Danses de la Vie) [2 CD’s]
Moscow Symphony Orchestra / Antonio de Almeida

TOVEY, Donald Francis (1875 – 1940)

Sir Donald Tovey is remembered nowadays as a critic and teacher rather than as a composer, a strange neglect of a talent that at one time had seemed quite remarkable, from his days at Eton to Oxford, fruitful collaboration with Joachim and, in 1914, a professorship in Edinburgh, where he occupied a dominant position until his death, although his activities now deflected his attention from composition. His Cello Sonata was completed in 1900 and the Elegiac Variations were written in memory of Robert Hausmann, cellist in the Joachim Quartet.

Cello Sonata, Op. 4 • Elegiac Variations, Op. 25 (+ BRIDGE)
Rebecca Rust, Cello / David Apter, Piano

TRUST, Joan (1915 – 2000)

The daughter of musical parents, Joan Trimble studied in her native Ireland, before moving to London, where her sister Valerie was already a student. In her songs and other compositions Ireland is never far away. Her Phantasy Trio was entered in 1940, on the suggestion of Vaughan Williams, for the Cobbett Prize and was immediately followed by her Sonatina for two pianos.

Songs and Chamber Music
Patricia Bardon, Mezzo-Soprano / Joe Corbett, Baritone / Una Hunt & Roy Holmes, Pianos / Dublin Piano Trio

TRUSCOTT, Harold (1914 – 1992)

Largely self-taught as a musician, Harold Truscott spent much of his life as a lecturer in music in Huddersfield. His compositions were largely neglected in his life-time, leading him to write very considerably for the piano and for chamber ensemble, where performance was more probable. He was, however, a natural orchestral composer, with a fine command of the resources of the orchestra, writing, as always, in an unfashionably approachable style, which can only now be appreciated.

Chamber Music
Trio for flute, violin & viola in A major
Sonata No. 1 for clarinet & piano
Violin Sonata • Meditation for solo cello
Sonata for cello and piano

Imre Kovács, Flute / Béla Nagy, Violin / László Bársnyo, Viola / István Varga, Clarinet
Melinda Lugossy, Piano / Violetta Eckhardt, Violin / Judit Kiss Domonkos, Cello

Symphony in E • Suite in G • Elegy for Strings
National Symphony Orchestra of Ireland / Gary Brain

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**TVEITT, Geirr (1908 – 1981)**

The Norwegian composer Geirr Tveitt was trained in Leipzig, Vienna and Paris, before establishing himself in Norway as an important figure in the musical establishment of the country. His music is rooted in Norwegian folk-traditions, from which is compositions are never far removed. It was unfortunate that many of his unpublished works were lost in a fire, before his death in 1981.

**Piano Music Vol. 1**
*Fifty Folk-Tunes from Hardanger, Op. 150, Nos. 1 - 37*
Håvard Gimse, Piano ................................................... 8.225055

**Piano Music Vol. 2**
Håvard Gimse, Piano ................................................... 8.225056

**VAN HOOF, Jef (1886 – 1959)**

A pupil of Mortelmans and Gilson, the Belgian composer Jef Van Hoof was notably associated with Flemish nationalism in music. His compositions include six symphonies.

**Symphony No. 2 in A flat major (+ BENOT / MEULEMANS / MORTELMANS) (FLEMISH ROMANTIC MUSIC II)**
VRT Philharmonic Orchestra / Silvere Van den Broeck ..... 8.225101

**VASILENKO, Sergei (1872 – 1956)**

The Russian composer and conductor Sergei Vasilenko studied with Grechaninov and Konyus, and later with Taneyev and Ippolitov-Ivanov, becoming, like Rachmaninov, conductor for the Mamontov Opera in the years before 1914. His marked interest in the exotic is reflected in his musical exploration of Central Asia and in his *Chinese* and *Hindu Suites*, works marked by colourful Russian orchestration.

**Chinese Suite, Op. 60, No. 1 • Hindu Suite, Op. 42**
Moscow Symphony Orchestra / Henry Shek .......................... 8.223783

**VAUGHAN WILLIAMS, Ralph (1872 – 1958)**

Vaughan Williams was the outstanding English composer of the generation between that of Edward Elgar and that of Benjamin Britten. Quintessentially English in inspiration and often drawing on English folk-music, he nevertheless developed, particularly in his later symphonies, a less restricted style in a very varied range of music. Like others of his generation, he contributed to the music of the cinema with a number of very notable scores.

**49th Parallel • Story of a Flemish Farm • Coastal Command**
*Three Portraits from the England of Elizabeth*
RTE Concert Orchestra / Andrew Penny .............................. 8.223665

**VELASQUEZ, Glauco (1884 – 1914)**

The parentage of the Brazilian composer Glauco Velasquez was carefully concealed during his life-time and in subsequent biographical notices. He was, it seems, the illegitimate son of a notable singer in Rio de Janeiro and a woman of good family, who took refuge in Naples for the birth of her son and later “adopted” him, when he was brought back to Brazil. His style of composition is French rather than South American, echoing contemporary styles of writing in Paris.

**Petite Suite • Folha d’albumb Nos. 1 and 2**
**Minuetto e Gavotte Moderni • Prelúdios Nos. 1 and 2**
**Valsa romântica • Others**
Clara Sverner, Piano ..................................................... 8.223556

**VICTORY, Gerard (1921 – 1995)**

Born and educated in Dublin, Gerard Victory held an important position in the musical life of the Irish capital, with a series of operas and orchestral and choral works, the last including his remarkable oratorio *Ultima Rerum*, a work that is powerful, moving and yet approachable, a contemporary *Dream of Gerontius* that combines texts from Blake, Ficker, Leopardi, Tennyson, Whitman, the Edda, the Koran and the Latin Requiem.

**An Old Woman of the Roads**
*(A SHEAF OF SONGS FROM IRELAND)*
Bernadette Greery, Mezzo-soprano / Hugh Tinney, Piano ............................................................. 8.225098

**Ultima Rerum [2 CD’s]**
Virginia Kerr / Bernadette Greery / Adrian Thompson / Alan Opie / RTE Philharmonic Choir / National Chamber Choir / Colman Pearce ............................................................... 8.223532-33

**VILLA-LOBOS, Heitor (1887 – 1959)**

The leading composer of his native Brazil, Villa-Lobos became familiar with the varied music of his own country, from the streets of Rio de Janeiro to its remoter areas, the inspiration of much that he wrote. His *Chôros*, the name derived from the street-music of Rio, offer in various instrumental and vocal forms a conspectus of Brazilian music. His symphonic poems are less often heard abroad, as is his chamber music, including his seventeen string quartets. His suites *Descobrimento do Brasil* (Discovery of Brazil) give further lively examples of Brazilian tradition.

**Amazonas • Erosão • Gênese**
**Dawn in a Tropical Forest**
Slovak RSO / Roberto Duarte ........................................... 8.223357

**Dança frenética • Danças africanas**
**Dança dos mosquitos • Rudopoema**
Slovak RSO / Roberto Duarte ........................................... 8.223552

**Discovery of Brazil**
Slovak Philharmonic Choir / Slovak RSO / Roberto Duarte ................................................................. 8.223551

**Diviçação • O Canto da Nossa Terra**
**O Canto do Kapadoci • O Canto do Cisne Negro**
Sonhar • Berceuse (+ENESCU)
Rebecca Rust, Cello / David Apter, Piano ............................ 8.223298

**Pequena Suite • Capriccio, Op. 49**
**Prelúdio, Op. 20 • Élégie, Op. 87**
*Bachianas brasileiras Nos. 2 and 6 • Assobio a jato*
Rebecca Rust, Cello / David Apter, Piano / Emmanuel Pahud, Flute / Friedrich Edelmann, Bassoon .... 8.223527

**Piano Trios Nos. 1 & 3**
Antonio Spiller, Violin / Monique Duphil, Piano / Jay Humeston, Cello .................................................... 8.223182

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A student in Madrid and in Rome, the Spanish composer Jesús Villa-Rojo has been awarded a number of important international prizes during his career. The works recorded range from the virtuoso Cello Concerto of 1983 to the Passacaglia y cante, with its use of pre-recorded tape, a 1986 commemoration of Lorca in settings of his poems and the multi-cultural synthesis of Septet.

**Orchestral Music**

*Concierto 2 • Passacaglia y Cante • Cantor con Federico • Septeto*

Asier Polo, Cello / Alicia Cecotti, Mezzo-Soprano / Orquesta de Córdoba / Gregorio Gutiérrez .......................... 8.225135

**VÍTOLS, Jázeps (1863 – 1948)**

The prolific Latvian composer Jázeps Vītols, teacher of Prokofiev and Miaskovsky in Russia and later a leading figure in the musical life of his own country, was strongly influenced by his teacher Rimsky-Korsakov and by the folk-music of Latvia.

**Dramatic Overture, Op. 21**

*Fantaisie sur des chants populaires lettions, Op. 42*

*Spiriditis, Op. 37 • Dargakmeni, Op. 66*

Rudens Dziesma

Valdis Zaris, Violin / Latvian National Symphony Orchestra / Dmitri Yablonsky .............................. 8.223756

**WAGNER, Siegfried (1869 – 1930)**

The first son of Richard Wagner and grandson of Liszt, Siegfried Wagner, a pupil of Humperdinck after his father’s death, turned from a proposed career as an architect to music after a voyage to the Far East in 1892. For the greater part of his life he was involved in the Bayreuth Festival. His compositions, including a number of operas, are not Wagnerian in subject or treatment, although he acknowledged his technical debt to his father in some respects. A number of his operas explore German fairy-story and legend, the world of the Brothers Grimm rather than that of the Nibelungen.
WALLACE, William Vincent (1812 – 1865)
Son of an Irish army bandmaster, Wallace enjoyed a career of great variety that took him to the Antipodes and to the Americans, at first as a pianist and violinist and then as composer. His greatest success came with the opera Maritana, first staged in London in 1845, which found a popular place in international repertoire.

Maritana [2 CDs]
- Cullagh / Lee / Clarke / Caddy / Smith / Hayes / RTE Philharmonic Choir / RTE Concert Orchestra / Proinnsias O Duinn, Conductor .................................................. 8.223406-7

WAXMAN, Franz (1906 – 1967)
The German-born composer Franz Waxman settled in America, making his career in Hollywood with a series of film scores ranging from The Bride of Frankenstein, Captains Courageous and Peyton Place to music for Daphne du Maurier’s romantic novel Rebecca.

Mr. Skeffington
- Moscow Symphony Orchestra / William T. Stromberg ........ 8.225037
Objective Burma!
- Moscow Symphony Orchestra / William T. Stromberg ........ 8.225148

WEBB, Roy (1888 – 1982)
Roy Webb wrote scores for some three hundred pictures under contract to RKO, making his music more familiar to audiences than his name. For the Val Lewton thrillers he provided score after score, including The Body Snatcher, famously starring Boris Karloff, the horror film Cat People with Simone Simon and the devil-worship of The Seventh Victim, all of them above the normal run of chillers and admirably enhanced by the music Webb provided.

Cat People • Bedlam • The Seventh Victim • The Body Snatcher • I Walked with a Zombie
- Slovak RSO / William T. Stromberg ......................... 8.225125

WEBER, Carl Maria von (1786 – 1826)
One of the leading composers of German romanticism, Weber distinguished himself as a pianist, critic, conductor and composer. His best known work is the opera Der Freischütz, followed by the operas Euryanthe and Oberon, more generally known to modern audiences from their overtures. His early opera Peter Schmoll and His Neighbours was written in 1801-2 but failed in its first performance, in part through the ineptitude of Weber’s father, whose activities added much complication to the life of the family. The work of a fifteen-year-old, Peter Schmoll is interesting in its own right, as it is the precursor of the first of German romantic operas. The opera Silvana is unusual in that the girl of the title remains largely mute throughout. His 1811 Adagio and Rondo for pairs of clarinets, French horns and bassoons, reflects his particular ability in idiomatic writing for wind instruments, exemplified in the same year in his clarinet concertos.

Adagio and Rondo (+ LACHNER / SCHUBERT)
(ROMANTIC WIND MUSIC)
- German Wind Soloists .................................................. 8.223356

Peter Schmoll und seine Nachbarn (Complete Opera) [2 CD’s]
- Soloists / Hagen PO / Gerhard Markson ....................... 8.223592-93
Silvana [2 CD’s]
- Ruzzafante / Spemann / Adam / Thies / Haller / Fiehl / Gómez / Pfeiffer / Dittebrand / Sturm / Isken / Hagen Opera Chorus / Hagen Philharmonic Orchestra / Gerhard Markson .... 8.223844-45

WELCHER, Dan (b. 1948)
Dan Welcher became composer-in-residence with the Honolulu Symphony Orchestra in 1990. Haleakalā is a tone-poem, with narration by Richard Chamberlain, recounting an early Polynesian legend. Prairie Light derives inspiration from three watercolours by the American painter Georgia O’Keeffe, while Welcher’s Clarinet Concerto shows full awareness of the historical uses of the instrument, with its second movement Blues and acknowledgement of Benny Goodman.

Haleakalā: How Maui Snared the Sun
- Honolulu Symphony Orchestra / Donald Johanos / Richard Chamberlain, Narrator / Bill Jackson, Clarinet ........ 8.223457

WHITLOCK, Percy (1903 – 1946)
Regarded as one of the outstanding English organist-composers of his generation, Percy Whitlock is remembered nowadays for his organ and church music and for his significant additions to the repertoire of English light music, particularly as Borough Organist in the seaside resort of Bournemouth, where he also wrote entertaining music for the Municipal Orchestra.

Holiday Suite • Music for Orchestra • Wessex Suite
- The Feast of St Benedict • Ballet of the Wood Creatures • Come along, Marnie • Susan, The Doggie and Me • Balloon Ballet • Dignity and Impudence
- Malcolm Riley, Organ / RTE Concert Orchestra / Gavin Sutherland .................................................... 8.225162

WILSON, James (b. 1922)
Born in London, James Wilson settled after the war in Ireland, where he has established himself as a composer of originality, finding an audience there, in particular, as well as in Denmark, for music in an approachable idiom. The viola concerto Menorah commemorates the child victims of the Holocaust, Pearl and Unicorn is in essence a violin concerto, while his Concertino features a solo violin and solo cello in a transparent texture.

Menorah • Concertino • Pearl and Unicorn
- Alan Smale, Violin / Constantin Zanidache, Viola / National Symphony Orchestra of Ireland / Colman Pearce ..................................................... 8.225027

WOLF-FERRARI, Ermanno (1876 – 1948)
Born in Venice, Ermanno Wolf-Ferrari was divided in his genetic inheritance between his Italian mother and his painter father, the latter from a family of Bavarian origin. He studied in Rome and then in Munich and is widely remembered for his Italian comic operas of the first decade of the 20th century. Das Himmelskleid (The Garment of Heaven) is a very different work, more akin to German fairy-tale opera than his earlier Italian operas based on Goldoni. Here a fairy-tale princess sets her prince an impossible task, to find the Garment of Heaven,

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for which he searches the air, the Moon and the Sun. The true nature of his quest becomes apparent when he returns to rescue the princess from poverty and danger, brought on by her own wilfulness. Wolf-Ferrari’s *Sinfonia da camera*, for eleven instruments, written in 1901, belongs to the German tradition of Schumann and his successors.

**Das Himmelskleid (The Garment of Heaven)**  
Angelina Ruzzafante / Sibrand Bassa / Reinhard Leisenheimer / Hagen Opera / Gerhard Markson ......................... 8.223251-63

*Sinfonia da camera*  (+ BLOCH / SCHOENBERG )  
MiNensemblet ...................................................................... 8.223868

**WOOD, Haydn (1882 – 1959)**  
Remembered always for his *Roses of Picardy*, the English composer Haydn Wood wrote some two hundred songs, including favourites such as *A Brown Bird Singing*. His other works include a body of light instrumental music and music of a more substantial kind.

*Mayday Overture • Soliloquy*  
*Variations on a once popular, humorous song*  
*Paris Suite • Roses of Picardy • A Manx Rhapsody*  
*Movements Frescoe Suite • Evening Song*  
*Dance of the Whimsical • The Horse Guards*  
Slovak RSO / Ernest Tomlinson .................................... 8.223605

*Sketch of a Dandy • London Cameos*  
*The Seafarer • Serenade to Youth • Mannin Veen*  
*Joyousness • Rhapsody Mylecharane*  
*A Brown Bird Singing • Apollo Overture*  
Slovak RSO / Adrian Leaper ............................................. 8.223402

**WORLAND, Bill (b. 1921)**  
Bill Worland has had long experience in the field of British light music, continuing to contribute to a repertoire that at one time seemed to be denied public performance. The 1990s, however, brought a revival of interest, to which he has been able to add.

*Light Music*  
*Tres Senoritas • Shopping Spree • Brighton Belle*  
*It’s Spring Again a.o.*  
RTE Concert Orchestra / Gavin Sutherland ......................... 8.225161

**XIAN, Xinghai (1909 – 1945)**  
Born in Macau, the son of a fisherman, Xian Xinghai was taken by his widowed mother to Singapore, where he studied before entering the Beijing Arts School. He was later a pupil of Vincent d’Indy in Paris, returning to China in 1935 and joining the Communist Party four years later. He spent the war years in Moscow, where he died in 1945. His epic *Song of the Yellow River* has for long enjoyed a place in popular patriotic Chinese repertoire.

*Ode to the Yellow River*  
*Go to the Rear Area of the Enemy • Song at Midnight*  
*February • Lamentation to the Yellow River*  
*Song of Working Women’s Day*  
*Thorns of Wild Jujube Tree*  
Xiong Zhao, Cello / You Dachun, Piano / Shui Bing, Violin / Shanghai Philharmonic Orchestra / Cao Peng ......................... 8.223984

**YOUNG, Victor (1900 – 1956)**  
Born in Chicago and trained as a violinist in Warsaw, after his early concert tours in Europe Victor Young returned to America to pursue a successful career predominantly in light music, with a number of well-known film scores to his credit, often the source for other works.

*The Greatest Show on Earth • The Uninvited*  
*Gulliver’s Travels • Bright Leaf*  
Moscow Symphony Orchestra and Chorus / William T. Stromberg ................................................................. 8.225063

*Scaramouche*  (+ KORNGOLD / RÓZSA / STEINER)  
Brandenburg Philharmonic Orchestra, Potsdam / Richard Devreese .................................................. 8.223607

**ZHU, Jianer (b. 1922)**  
In common with many Chinese composers, Zhu Jianer was initially self-taught. In 1949 he started work with the Shanghai Film Company and for the Beijing Film Company. After study in Moscow, he returned, working for the Shanghai Opera Company and Symphony Orchestra. He later joined the staff of the Shanghai Conservatory. His symphonic fantasia *The Hero’s Monument* is overtly patriotic in tone and is characteristic of his work.

*Symphony No. 1 • Festival Overture*  
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