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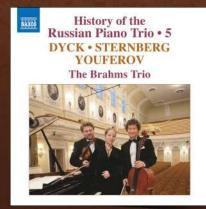




Bernard Richter as II Contino Belfiore and Julie Martin Du Theil as La Marchesa Violante © Marco Brescia and Rudy Amisano | Teatro alla Scala

This Month's Other Highlights







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Wolfgang Amadeus MOZART (1756–1791) La finta giardiniera Libretto attributed to Giuseppe Petrosellini

Julie Martin Du Theil, Anett Fritsch and Giulia Semenzato, Sopranos Lucia Cirillo, Mezzo-soprano

Krešimir Špicer and Bernard Richter, Tenors

Mattia Olivieri, Baritone · Orchestra Del Teatro Alla Scala

Diego Fasolis, Conductor • Frederic Wake-Walker, Stage Director

Mozart wrote *La finta giardiniera* in 1775 when he was 18 years old. It was his first staged *buffo* opera and centres on the lovers at the heart of the action, Sandrina – the pretend garden-girl of the title – and Belfiore. With few ensembles, Mozart channels his most intense and expressive music into arias which demonstrate a masterful ability to convey the full range of tenderness and passion. Originally staged at Glyndebourne in 2014 by Frederic Wake-Walker, this 2018 revival from La Scala is performed on period instruments with a strong cast and expertly conducted with exuberance and charm by Diego Fasolis.



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Playing Time: 179 minutes Picture format: HD 16:9

Sound format: PCM stereo and DTS-MA 5.1

Language: Italian

Subtitles: Italian, English, German, French, Japanese, Korean

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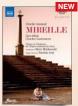


Key Features:

- This La Scala performance was originally a Glyndebourne Festival production. Bachtrack.com wrote of this performance: 'La Scala presents this work for the first time in the main hall (after a run in the Piccola Scala in 1970), as part of its 18th-century opera project, which is based on an ensemble of musicians of the La Scala Orchestra playing on original instruments.'
- Of the conductor Bachtrack.com added: 'under the baton of Diego Fasolis, who drove the show with his customary exuberance and attention to dynamics; the orchestra's performance was a delight. The cast was uniformly strong.' Operaonline.com also wrote: 'his was a performance shot through with classic Fasolian qualities: driving rhythms, beautifully spun lines and an exhilarating sense of spontaneity.'



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Ryan Trent Oldham as Mustafa and his wives © Caroline Dixey

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Paul ABRAHÁM (1892–1960)

Ball at the Savoy Operetta in three acts

Alison Kelly Gerald Frantzen Ryan Trent Oldham Cynthia Fortune Gruel Rose Guccione Bridget Skaggs Matt Dyson

Folks Operetta Anthony Barrese

2 CDs



8.660503-04 Price Code: NXP



Playing Time: 2:19:54 Release Date: 09 Jul 2021

Paul ABRAHÁM (1892–1960) Ball at the Savoy

Libretto by Fritz Löhner-Beda and Alfred Grünwald English translation by Hersh Glagov and Gerald Frantzen

Alison Kelly, Cynthia Fortune Gruel and Rose Guccione, Sopranos Bridget Skaggs, Mezzo-soprano • Gerald Frantzen, Tenor Ryan Trent Oldham and Matt Dyson, Baritones Folks Operetta • Anthony Barrese

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Hungarian composer Paul Abrahám enjoyed huge success across Europe with his 'jazz operettas', not least in Weimar Berlin where his works scored for an orchestra augmented by a jazz band caused a sensation. *Ball im Savoy* ('Ball at the Savoy') has a plot reminiscent of *Die Fledermaus* and its variety of influences, some European and some reflective of contemporary American popular song, won the kind of acclaim only equalled by Franz Lehár. The premiere, which took place in December 1932, was for some the last major cultural event of Weimar Germany.

About the Folks Operetta

For the past 15 years, Folks Operetta has been translating, restoring, and producing rare Viennese and German operettas. Founded in 2006 by the husband and wife team of Gerald Frantzen and Alison Kelly, it has reconstructed and produced over 19 new productions of some of the rarest shows in the world. In 2018, the company initiated the Reclaimed Voices Series to focus on the works of Jewish composers and librettists who either perished or were forced into exile during the Second World War.

Companion Titles – Other operetta releases



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Act II, Scene 5 – Duet: Out on the Town: I've studied it every
which way (Mustafa, Daisy, Ilonka, Trude, Giulette, Bessie, Mizzi)

Key Features:

- Folks Operetta's American premiere of Ball at the Savoy was part
 of the Reclaimed Voices Series project. The Chicago Reader
 stated: 'This long-overdue American premiere by Chicago Folks
 Operetta reveals Ball at the Savoy as a musically inventive work
 that fuses lyrical waltzes with bouncy jazz, sensuous tangos, and
 even a few hints of Hindemith-style dissonant counterpoint.'
- Chicago Tribune also commented: 'Most of the operetta's hit numbers are assigned to the comic couple, Mustapha and Daisy, roles played to the singing-and-dancing hilt by Ryan Trent Oldham and Cynthia Fortune Gruel, both talented and vivacious performers. The romantic chemistry between their characters is palpable from the start'.



Ryan Tren Oldham

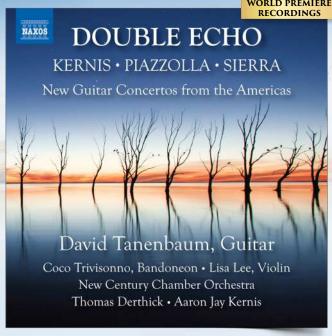


Cynthia Fortune Gruel

 This is the world premiere recording of the English-language version of this operetta. The orchestration is from the original manuscript, adapted by conductor **Anthony Barrese**. His original compositions have won numerous awards, and he is regularly engaged by opera companies in North America and Italy.



 The Folks Operetta has also released Leo Fall's The Rose of Stambul on Naxos 8.660326-27, in which Opera News declared it 'is doing a great service to the all-but-lost art of operetta'.



8.574298 Price Code: NXP



Playing Time: 56:46 Release Date: 09 Jul 2021

Double Echo New Guitar Concertos from the Americas KERNIS · PIAZZOLLA · SIERRA

David Tanenbaum, Guitar • Coco Trivisonno, Bandoneon Lisa Lee, Violin • New Century Chamber Orchestra Thomas Derthick • Aaron Jay Kernis

This album of guitar concertos from the Americas features pieces composed for David Tanenbaum. Building on a tradition of prominent guitarists generating repertoire through new commissions, these works present the guitar in a variety of settings. Kernis's concerto dips with ease into the world of pop music, whereas his Lullaby and Soliloquy are reflective, lyrical and romantic. Sierra's concerto asserts a rhythmic and percussive character, while Piazzolla's dark and sentimental double concerto is one of his least-known works.

Key Features:

- Guitarist David Tanenbaum's playing has been admired and appreciated by innumerable contemporary composers, and this recording of almost entirely world premiere recordings joins his Naxos album of Sofia Gubaidulina's Complete Guitar Works (8.573379) which was an American Record Guide 'Critic's Choice'.
- Astor Piazzolla is always a good commercial prospect, and there are few enough recordings of his Double Concerto for Guitar and Bandoneon 'Hommage à Liège' around for this to add significantly to this album's attractiveness.
- Pulitzer Prize and GRAMMY Award-winning composer Aaron Jay Kernis is another name that stands out, having already established a leading profile with Naxos recordings such as his Fourth Symphony (8.559838): 'a compelling piece throughout, by turns intense and ecstatic' (Fanfare), and his Flute Concerto and Second



Symphony (8.559830), which was 'strongly recommended' by Gramophone. He conducted the world premiere recording of his own Concierto de 'Dance Hits' on this disc.

Roberto Sierra's name is equally prominent, with acclaimed recordings of his Cantares (8.559876), considered 'outstanding' by the American Record Guide, and his GRAMMY-nominated Fourth Symphony (8.559738).

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- Key Release Kit
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David Tanenbaum

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DIGITAL BONUS TRACK

Dušan BOGDANOVIĆ (b. 1955) **Village Music**

David Tanenbaum, Guitar

This digital single complements Double Echo (8.574298), an album of guitar concertos written for and performed by David Tanenbaum.



Click button to listen to an extract from Village Music

About David Tanenbaum

David Tanenbaum has performed in over 40 countries, and has appeared as a soloist with prominent orchestras around the world and is recognised as one of the most eloquent proponents of contemporary guitar repertoire. Composers such as Hans Werner Henze, Aaron Jay Kernis, Terry Riley, Lou Harrison and Roberto Sierra have dedicated works to him. He has toured extensively with Steve Reich and Musicians, and performed in Japan in 1991 at the invitation of Toru Takemitsu. His Nonesuch recording as a soloist in John Adam's Naive and Sentimental Music with Esa-Pekka Salonen and the Los Angeles Philharmonic was nominated for a 2002 GRAMMY Award.



New Century Chamber Orchestra

Companion Titles -David Tanenbaum, Guitar



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AWAKENINGS

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Companion Titles -**Contemporary Guitar Concertos**



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Joan TOWER (b. 1938) Strike Zones Small • Still/Rapids Ivory and Ebony

Evelyn Glennie, Percussion • Blair McMillen, Piano Albany Symphony • David Alan Miller

Joan Tower is widely regarded as one of today's most important American composers. The works heard here in their world premiere recordings are part of a growing legacy that one pundit has described as "The Power of Tower." *Strike Zones* is tailor-made for percussionist Evelyn Glennie's dazzling technique and impeccable musicianship. The work's orchestration is crafted to enhance a stage filled with percussion instruments – while in *Small* they are contained on a single table, the soloist working like a brilliant chef. The piano concerto *Still/Rapids* was inspired by the glistening beauty and powerful force of water, and *Ivory and Ebony*, written as a test piece for an international piano competition, is infused with Tower's "high-energy" signature.

About David Alan Miller

David Alan Miller is one of the leading American conductors of his generation. The two-time GRAMMY Award-winning music director of the Albany Symphony has reaffirmed the orchestra's reputation as the nation's leading champion of American symphonic music. He and the orchestra have appeared twice at Spring for Music, a festival featuring America's most creative orchestras at New York's Carnegie Hall, and at The Kennedy Center's SHIFT Festival of American Orchestras in 2018. Miller received GRAMMY Awards in January 2021 for his recording of Christopher Theofanidis' Viola Concerto, and in 2014 for his Naxos recording of John Corigliano's Conjurer with the Albany Symphony and Dame Evelyn Glennie.



Albany Symphony

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Joan TOWER

Strike Zones
Small • Still/Rapids
Ivory and Ebony

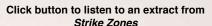
Evelyn Glennie, Percussion Blair McMillen, Piano Albany Symphony David Alan Miller

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Key Features:

- Joan Tower's growing catalogue of Naxos titles is a core element in our contemporary music discography, and with multiple GRAMMY nominations and wide critical acclaim can be counted amongst our outstanding success stories in this field. Previous releases of Tower's music have included the GRAMMY-winning Made in America (8.559328), which was 'Enthusiastically recommended!' by ClassicsToday.com, and her GRAMMY-nominated Violin Concerto (8.559775) was admired by Gramophone for its 'moments of luminous serenity'.
- Dame Evelyn Glennie travels the globe, playing and recording with the world's finest orchestras and ensembles. She is notably recognised as the first musician to maintain a full-time career as a solo percussionist, rising above her deafness to create a unique and remarkable career that has earned her many honours as a musician, composer, collaborator and advocate.



Pianist **Blair McMillen**, dedicatee of *Still/Rapids*, has also appeared in Joan Tower's acclaimed *Dumbarton Quintet* (8.559795) and is one of the most versatile and sought-after pianists today, having performed in major venues including Carnegie Hall, the Moscow Conservatory, Lincoln Center, Miller Theatre, and the Library of Congress.



A further attraction for this disc is the Albany Symphony, a dynamic orchestra that specialises in American repertoire and contemporary music. Its reputation has been enhanced through several Naxos recordings, including Michael Daugherty's Dreamachine (8.559807), summed up as 'scintillating' by Gramophone, and in which Evelyn Glennie also appears as soloist.

Companion Titles – Joan Tower, Composer





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Companion Titles – David Alan Miller and the Albany Symphony





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History of the Russian Piano Trio, Vol. 5 DYCK • STERNBERG • YOUFEROV

The Brahms Trio – Nikolai Sachenko, Violin Kirill Rodin, Cello • Natalia Rubinstein, Piano

This album concludes The Brahms Trio's five-volume survey of the piano trio in Russia with remarkable works by composers whose names have all but disappeared from the musical world's collective memory. Vladimir Dyck, a student of Widor at the Paris Conservatoire, took French nationality in 1910 but his life came to a tragic end when he and his family were arrested in 1943 and sent to Auschwitz. His *Piano Trio, Op. 25* contrasts Russian soulfulness with the lightness and deft scoring he brought to his film compositions. Constantin von Sternberg's genial *Op. 104* reflects his career as a virtuoso pianist, while Sergey Youferov's expansive and nostalgic *Op. 52* is a farewell to the Russian 'Silver Age', a world about to be destroyed by revolution.

Key Features:

- History of the Russian Piano Trio is compiled chronologically and will include a number of world premiere recordings, and is dedicated to a particular period in the history of Russian music and features both well-known scores and rare editions and manuscripts.
- The first volume (8.574112) was released in November 2020.
 Critical comments include: 'Glinka is generally regarded as the first Russian composer of note, and The Brahms Trio, here making their debut for Naxos, give an attractive account of it and the Rubinstein. If the coupling appeals, this is a worthwhile purchase' (MusicWeb International).
- Vol. 2 (8.574113) was considered 'a very attractive album' in the Kristeligt Dagblad, and for Klassiewelt (Bremen Zwei) 'the first two issues of this top-class series are a real treasure trove for the fans of chamber music. And I can hardly imagine better interpreters than these three virtuosos from the Moscow Conservatory.'

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Companion Titles – Previous releases in History of the Russian Piano Trio series









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The Brahms Trio



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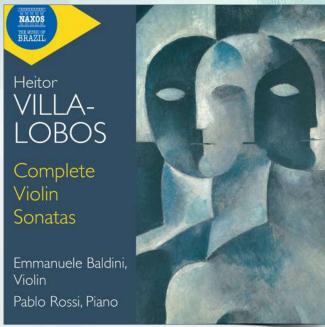


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I. Largo molto sostenuto – Allegro ma non troppo

About The Brahms Trio

The Brahms Trio is one of the leading Russian chamber ensembles, comprising violinist Nikolai Sachenko and cellist Kirill Rodin, both winners of the Gold Medal at the International Tchaikovsky Competition in Moscow, and pianist Natalia Rubinstein, First Prize winner of the Joseph Joachim Chamber Music Competition in Weimar and founder of the ensemble. The trio has made an invaluable contribution to enlarging the chamber repertoire by rediscovering unknown piano trios by Russian composers of the late 19th and early 20th century. The musicians of The Brahms Trio are professors at the Moscow State Tchaikovsky Conservatory, and are the recipients of the honorary title Honoured Artist of Russia.



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Heitor Villa-Lobos's three violin sonatas date from a key period in his career: the moment at which he matured as a composer, established

his personal idiom and achieved his first professional triumphs. Each sonata shares some influence from French late Romanticism

or Impressionism, as well as revealing Villa-Lobos's skill as a string

player. The First Violin Sonata's subtitle of Désespérance ('Despair')

suits its melancholy lyricism, while the 'infinite abundance of musical

ideas' in the Second Violin Sonata is characterised by a wide range of emotions. The sophisticated Third Violin Sonata is steeped in

the influence of Debussy, but also anticipates Villa-Lobos's new

Heitor Villa-Lobos has become established as the best-known

South American composer of all time, but while his orchestral

works, Chorôs and Bachianas brasileiras are justly famous and

widely recorded, his three Violin Sonatas are barely extant in

We have had a great deal of success in recent years with

releases including Villa-Lobos's complete symphonies

(8.506039) from the São Paulo Symphony Orchestra conducted

by Isaac Karabtchevsky, as well as exploring rarities such as

those to be found in guitarist Andrea Bissoli's three volume

series *The Guitar Manuscripts* (8.503289). This excellent recording of the Violin Sonatas therefore joins a stream of highly

Violinist Emmanuele Baldini has from an early age garnered

prizes from countless international competitions, and has performed as a soloist or recitalist across the globe. He has recorded the three violin sonatas of Ermanno Wolf-Ferrari (8.574297), as well as violin sonatas by Leopoldo Miguez and Glauco Velásquez (8.574118) in which 'Baldini's playing is

This new release is the latest in our 'Music of Brazil' series, co-produced with the Brazilian Ministry of Foreign Affairs in order to promote music by Brazilian composers dating back to the 18th century. Previous releases included Villa-Lobos's *Guitar and Harmonica Concertos* (8.574018), and a collection of choral

collectable Villa-Lobos releases that is already in full flow.

radiant and idiomatic' (The WholeNote).

transcriptions (8.574286).

Heitor VILLA-LOBOS (1887–1959)

Complete Violin Sonatas

Emmanuele Baldini, Violin Pablo Rossi, Piano

directions in the 1920s.

the catalogues.

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About Emmanuele Baldini

Emmanuele Baldini garnered prizes from countless international competitions, and has performed as a soloist or recitalist across the globe. Following a highly successful career as a violinist, Baldini has embarked on new musical ventures as a conductor. He founded the Orquestra Sinfônica do Estado de São Paulo (OSESP) Quartet, and has collaborated with internationally renowned artists. Since 2005, Baldini has been concertmaster of the OSESP.

About Pablo Rossi

Brazilian pianist **Pablo Rossi** won the first Nelson Freire National Competition for New Brazilian talents in 2003. He has won numerous competitions and has given more than 80 recitals as a member of the Keyboard Charitable Trust. He has performed as a soloist with the Chamber Orchestra of the Kremlin, the Chamber Orchestra of Auvergne, the National Philharmonic of Ukraine, the Symphony Orchestra of Kirov and the São Paulo Symphony Orchestra, among others.

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Companion Titles – Previous releases in the 'Music of Brazil' series



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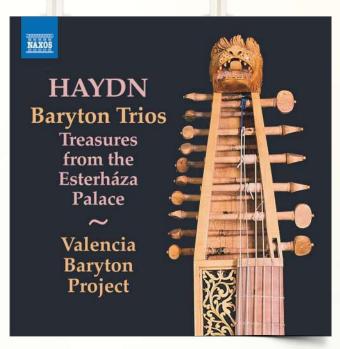




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Valencia Baryton Project

From left to right: Alex Friedhoff, Matthew Baker and Estevan de Almeida Reis

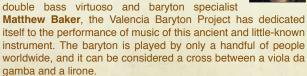
Franz Joseph HAYDN (1732–1809) Baryton Trios Treasures from the Esterháza Palace

Valencia Baryton Project – Matthew Baker, Baryton Estevan de Almeida Reis, Viola • Alex Friedhoff, Cello

Much of Franz Joseph Haydn's long career was in service as a court musician to the wealthy Esterházy family. It was early in Haydn's time at the Esterháza palace that Prince Nicolaus took a liking to the hypnotic sound of the baryton – a bowed instrument with an extra set of strings that vibrate sympathetically or are plucked for tonal contrast. The baryton was considered the pinnacle of 18th-century aristocratic instruments, and the outstanding beauty of Haydn's trios represent its final renaissance, placing this remarkable antique firmly into the poised and tasteful Classical style of the day.

Key Features:

- This is the first time that we have represented Haydn's baryton trios on the Naxos label, and while their specialised instrumentation mean they are something of a niche amongst recordings of this composer these trios are every bit as rewarding as other chamber music from this period.
- The baryton is comparable with the bass viol, but with the added timbres of lute-like plucked strings and the resonance of their sympathetic vibration, which has its own uniquely attractive acoustic signature and gives the traditional string trio an entirely new dimension. Led by acclaimed



 The Valencia Baryton Project was formed by colleagues from the opera of the Palau de les Arts in Valencia, Spain and the Orchestre National de Montpellier, France, with the vision of performing the nearly 160 works written by Franz Joseph Haydn in various formations with baryton.





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About The Valencia Baryton Project

The Valencia Baryton Project comprises musicians from the Palau de les Arts Reina Sofía opera house in Valencia and the Opéra Orchestre National Montpellier, who came together with the vision of performing the almost 160 works by Joseph Haydn written for the baryton, a cross between a viola da gamba and a lirone. At the heart of the ensemble is the traditional baryton trio — baryton, viola and cello — for which Haydn wrote 123 works of outstanding beauty during his time as court composer for Prince Esterhazy of Austria. Members of the Valencia Baryton Project have performed in chamber ensembles including Quarteto Radamés Gnattali, the Elan Quintet, Gogmagogs and Trio Vanguardia and with orchestras including the RTVE Symphony Orchestra, the Philharmonia Orchestra, and the BBC Philharmonic. The Valencia Baryton Project is the first ensemble to record the baryton for Naxos.

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Companion Titles - Franz Joseph Haydn, Composer









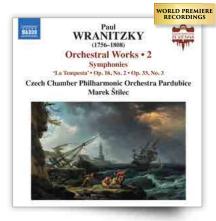
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Companion Titles - 18th Century Symphonies





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Paul WRANITZKY (1756–1808) **Orchestral Works, Vol. 2**

Symphonies – 'La Tempesta' · Op. 16, No. 2 · Op. 33, No. 3 Czech Chamber Philharmonic Orchestra Pardubice · Marek Štilec



Czech by birth, Paul Wranitzky settled in Vienna where he became highly respected as an orchestra leader and composer. Today overshadowed by his friends Haydn, Mozart and Beethoven, Wranitzky was the most important symphonist in Vienna in the late 1790s. The colourful overture to Der Schreiner ('The Carpenter') is followed by three contrasting symphonies. The dramatic 'La Tempesta' contains elaborate storm effects, which predate Beethoven's 'Pastoral' by over a decade. The compact Symphony in A major represents Wranitzky's early symphonic period of the mid-1780s while the Symphony in F major is notable for its catchy themes and masterful scoring.

Key Features:

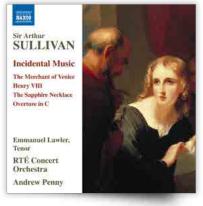
- This second volume of world premiere recordings follows Vol. 1 (8.574227) released in April 2021. The scores for both recordings are the result of exhaustive research amongst numerous European archives by top Wranitzky scholar Daniel Bernhardsson. Pizzicato gave Vol. 1 four stars, writing: 'The orchestra's playing is fresh and spirited, with plenty of melodic immediacy and a charmingly elegant lightness.
 - Conductor Marek Štilec is a specialist in 18th-century music and Czech composers in particular. His five volumes of orchestral works by Zdeněk Fibich have been widely acclaimed, with one Fanfare reviewer suggesting that 'for those looking to expand their collections of late 19th-century, very Romantic, very dramatic, and very beautiful symphonic and orchestral works, here is the way to do it. Very strongly recommended.'
- Also recorded with the Czech Chamber Philharmonic Orchestra Pardubice, his three volumes of symphonies by Leopold Koželuch have been warmly welcomed for their 'excellent, enthusiastic, and sympathetic' performances in the American Record Guide





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Symphony in D minor 'La Tempesta': Ill. Finale 'La Tempesta': Allegro con fuoco



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Companion Titles -Sir Arthur Sullivan, Composer





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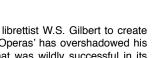
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Sir Arthur SULLIVAN (1842–1900) **Incidental Music** The Merchant of Venice · Henry VIII The Sapphire Necklace · Overture in C

Emmanuel Lawler, Tenor • RTÉ Concert Orchestra • Andrew Penny



Sir Arthur Sullivan achieved worldwide fame as the composer who joined librettist W.S. Gilbert to create the Gilbert and Sullivan operas. However, his success with these 'Savoy Operas' has overshadowed his other works, including a considerable amount of music for the theatre that was wildly successful in its day. Sullivan's suites of incidental music for Shakespeare are among his most attractive compositions, with Henry VIII becoming extremely popular. Charles Dickens was 'perfectly enchanted' by The Sapphire Necklace, and the Overture in C is both a memorial for Sullivan's father and a celebration of Victorian Britain.

Key Features:

- This recording was first released on our Marco Polo label catalogue 8.223461 in 1992. This follows on from another Arthur Sullivan re-release with the RTÉ Concert Orchestra conducted by Andrew Penny (8.555180). It is a programme of ballet music in which 'the orchestra tackles both scores with commitment under Andrew Penny's commanding conducting. The compositions seem fresh and colourful' (Pizzicato).
- Conductor Andrew Penny has made over 50 highly successful recordings for the Naxos and Marco Polo labels. His complete cycle of Arnold's nine symphonies was produced in time for the composer's 80th birthday in October 2001 and became BBC Music Magazine's top recommendation. His recording of Gilbert and Sullivan overtures (8.554165) was summed up in a Gramophone review with the statement, 'I can't see why anyone wanting a collection of Sullivan's comic opera overtures should wish to look elsewhere '





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Masguerade from The Merchant of Venice: No. 7. Finale





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Companion Titles – Previous releases in Sousa's Music for Wind Band series





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John Philip SOUSA (1854–1932) Music for Wind Band, Vol. 21 Selections from Chris and the Wonderful Lamp Sisterhood of the States · Showing Off Before Company Royal Birmingham Conservatoire Wind Orchestra · Keith Brion



This current volume of Sousa's music for wind band presents three exceptional examples of Sousa's musical creativity. *Chris and the Wonderful Lamp* is an enchanting retelling of the Aladdin legend, while *Showing Off Before Company* is a clever routine Sousa often used to open matinee concerts. The painstaking reconstruction of *Sisterhood of the States* allows us to hear the 'ballet' that incorporated music from each of the 48 states for a spectacular show in 1916.

Key Features:

- Keith Brion, one of the world's most knowledgeable and most-recorded Sousa conductor leads his own New Sousa Band and is a frequent conductor of light music orchestral concerts throughout America and internationally. He is a specialist in Sousa's period style and has published numerous performing editions of his music.
- Vol. 20 in this series is on 8.559850: 'This is a wonderful series and this latest release brings us a range of Sousa's own arrangements of popular music specifically for his own band' (Lark Reviews).
- Of a previous volume in this series (Vol. 16 on 8.559746), Fanfare enthused: 'the Marine Band of the Royal Netherlands Navy proves to be an outstanding exponent of the Sousa style: precise, transparent, and buoyant at a moderate tempo. It is rather different than the collegiate marching band style more prevalent today.'



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CASTELNUOVO-TEDESCO Guitar Quintet Fantasia for Guitar and Piano Eclogues for Flute, Cor anglais and Guitar Sonatina for Flute and Guitar Leonard Becker, Guitar Braun · Buchner · Dufossez Huscenot · Siegle · Steenken · Vandory

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Companion Titles – Mario Castelnuovo-Tedesco, Guitar





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Mario CASTELNUOVO-TEDESCO (1895–1968) Guitar Quintet • Fantasia for Guitar and Piano Eclogues for Flute, Cor anglais and Guitar Sonatina for Flute and Guitar

Leonard Becker, Guitar • Various Artists



Mario Castelnuovo-Tedesco was one of Italy's most influential and important composers during the 20th century. He was inspired to write for the guitar after meeting Andrés Segovia, and in the years that followed he wrote over one hundred works for the instrument. The *Quintet for Guitar and String Quartet*, a rare combination, reveals perfect sonority and construction with a serene Iberian mood. The *Sonatina for Flute and Guitar* contrasts joyfulness with poignant melodies, while the *Eclogues* are bucolic and lively. Written for Segovia and his wife Paquita Madriguera, the *Fantasia* for guitar and piano presents an expertly blended texture for this combination of instruments.

Key Features:

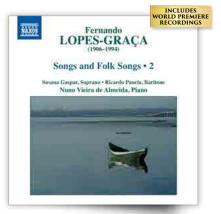
- The Naxos catalogue boasts a number of releases, some world premiere recordings, of music by Mario Castelnuovo-Tedesco. One of these are two volumes of his music for two guitars (8.570778 and 8.570779), in which American Record Guide stated: 'This is wonderful music. The Brasil Guitar Duo [have] a gorgeous tone, rock-solid rhythm, beautiful phrasing, and no identifiable technical flaws. This is great playing. This is wonderful music played at the highest interpretive level'.
- The complete *Caprichos de Goya*, performed by award-winning guitarist Zoran Dukic is available on 8.572252-53. *ClassicsToday.com* commented that Dukic's 'sense of colour and textural variety, his seamless technique, and his lyrical disposition serve this music beautifully'.
- Guitarist Leonard Becker is the Second Prize winner of the International Hannabach Guitar Competition 2020, held in Augsburg, Germany. He has performed with orchestras including the Pilsen Philharmonic Orchestra, with which he performed Rodrigo's Concierto de Aranjuez in 2019. Alongside Louis Vandory, Valerie Steenken, Elisabeth Buchner and Márton Braun he is the founder of the Tedesco-Quintett (guitar and string quartet), which won First Prize at the International Chamber Music Competition 'Gerhard Vogt' in 2019.





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8.579082 Price Code: NXP • Playing Time: 65:04 Release Date: 09 Jul 2021

Companion Titles – Fernando Lopes-Graça, Composer





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Fernando LOPES-GRAÇA (1906–1994) Songs and Folk Songs, Vol. 2

Susana Gaspar, Soprano • Ricardo Panela, Baritone Nuno Vieira de Almeida, Piano



Fernando Lopes-Graça was one of the greatest Portuguese composers of the 20th century. He composed songs in many genres, including folk-song arrangements, modernist settings of Portuguese poetry, and songs connected to political and historical events, all of which are represented here in this second volume (*Volume 1* is on 8.579039). Early songs reveal the harmonic influence of Debussy, while Lopes-Graça's utopian vision of international fraternity can be heard in his harmonisations of Greek, Czech and Slovak songs, which range from lament and defiance to pastoral sentiment.

Key Features:

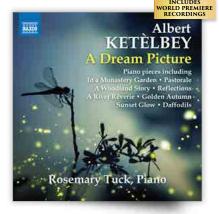
- The works included in this recording illustrate the three essential genres of solo vocal music with piano accompaniment cultivated by Lopes-Graça: folk-song arrangements (in this case, of non-Portuguese music), 'modernist' settings of Portuguese poetry, and political songs in a deliberately simplified style, meant for amateur performance in the spirit of Gebrauchsmusik (utility music).
- Of Vol. 1 (8.579039), American Record Guide wrote: 'this is a valuable offering and a
 worthwhile sortie into the work of a somewhat neglected composer', whilst MusicWeb
 International wrote: 'This disc contains some beguiling repertoire and anyone who
 has been impressed by this composer's large-scale orchestral works will find much to
 enjoy here.'
- Soprano Susana Gaspar sang in Pedro António Avondano's opera *Il mondo della luna* on 8.660487-88, a *MusicWeb International* 'Recommended' release. She also represented Portugal in the 2013 Cardiff Singer of the World Competition. Baritone Ricardo Panela won the Best Performer award at the Armel Opera Festival in 2019, following a series of performances as Leporello in *Don Giovanni* in Ecuador and in Budapest. He has performed in prestigious venues such as the Queen Elizabeth Hall at the Southbank Centre and Cadogan Hall in London.





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Sept Vieilles chansons grecques ('Seven Old Greek Songs'), Op. 58: No. 5. Ma femme a l'air si gentillet ('My wife has such a pretty look')



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Companion Titles – Previous recordings of Rosemary Tuck





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Albert KETÈLBEY (1875–1959) A Dream Picture – Piano Pieces

Rosemary Tuck, Piano



Albert Ketèlbey reached such a pinnacle of eminence and popularity that in 1929 he was named as Britain's greatest living composer, based on the number of performances of his works. His original pieces for solo piano range from serious concert works to salon charmers, always characterised by strong melodies, distinctive rhythms, and unexpected phrases, as can be heard on this album. One of his most well-known pieces, *In a Monastery Garden*, is featured in its original version for solo piano.

Key Features:

- This collection of piano music by Albert Ketèlbey was originally released under the Marco Polo label in 1995
- The Australian pianist Rosemary Tuck has performed in the Sydney Opera House, Southbank Centre in London, National Concert Hall in Dublin, and Musikhuset Aarhus in Denmark in the presence of Queen Margrethe II. In 2001, she gave the first official performance in the William Vincent Wallace 'Millennium' Plaza in Waterford, Ireland. She has worked closely with Richard Bonynge, AC, CBE, as both soloist with orchestra and collaborative pianist, and in 2020 was both artistic director and soloist for his 90th birthday gala in London. Her other recordings include the composers Lyadov, Ketèlbey, Wallace (8.572774, 8.572775, 8.572776) and Czerny (8.573254, 8.573417, 8.573688, 8.573998).





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'Love of Beethoven's works threads through Idil Biret's life like a red ribbon. Her studio recordings and live concerts show this in an unequivocal language... Next to all the *Piano Concertos* and the *Choral Fantasy* she has also performed on stage and recorded (on 19 CDs) all the *Piano Sonatas* and *Symphony Transcriptions* becoming perhaps the only artist to reach this level of completeness... This knowledge of Beethoven one hears in every nuance in Idil Biret's playing.'

- PIANO NEWS (Germany), 2012



Companion Titles – Idil Biret 75th Anniversary Concert DVD 2.110567

Companion Titles – Other releases in Idil Biret Beethoven Edition 8.504055 | 8.506027 | 8.503069

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- DIE WELT (Germany), 1979

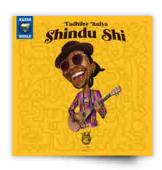


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Shindu Shi

Fadhilee Itulya, Guitar, Keyboard

Inspired by the 1950s finger-picking guitar style of Omutibo, *Shindu Shi* focuses on good time music grounded in culture, community and love for Africa and its people. An upbeat album of Omutibo, acoustic folk, pop, dance and world music inspired by the Luhya people of Western Kenya and the late pioneer of Omutibo – George Mukabi.

Kenyan musician Fadhilee Itulya began his professional music career in 2008. He draws inspiration from a style of guitar music



called Omutibo from the Luhya people of Western Kenya, which is driving, syncopated, and gets people to dance like nothing else. His music has elements of acoustic folk, pop/dance and world music-making for a melange of good time music that is grounded in culture, community and care for the environment.

Companion Titles - Recommended releases from Naxos World

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Folk Music of China, Vol. 15 Folk Songs of the She, Miao and Li Peoples Various Artists

China's rich and diverse musical heritage has been recorded and documented in a stunning, original collection. With twenty albums in the pipeline, this is a highly specialized series with the appeal of perhaps being the closest thing to the 'complete works' of traditional Chinese music.

This album features ballads from the She, wandering love songs from the Miao, and lullabies from the Li peoples. All played on traditional instruments such as the suona, *Lu sheng* and *yehu*. This is volume fifteen of a twenty album series, exploring China's rich and diverse musical heritage.

Companion Titles – Previous releases in the Folk Music of China series

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