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NIELSEN: Aladdin Suite • Pan and Syrinx

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Although he is most highly regarded for his six symphonies (Naxos 8.503006), Carl Nielsen also composed a number of short orchestral pieces and a large body of incidental music for the theatre. The finest of the shorter pieces is undoubtedly the tone poem *Pan and Syrinx*, whose radical approach to timbre and texture anticipates the *Fifth Symphony*. The most important of Nielsen's music for theatre productions is *Aladdin*, a lavish score which now enjoys an independent existence as the *Aladdin Suite*. The most famous number is *The Marketplace in Ispahan*, which superimposes four different musical ideas so as to evoke the sensation of sound coming from all sides of the market arena.

Carl
NIELSEN
(1865-1931)

	Aladdin Suite, Op. 34 (FS89)	24:55
1	The Festival March	2:56
2	Aladdin's Dream and Dance of the Morning Mist	3:08
3	Hindu Dance	3:06
4	Chinese Dance	3:14
5	The Marketplace in Ispahan	3:55
6	Dance of the Prisoners	4:34
7	Negro Dance	4:03
8	Cupid and the Poet (Amor og Digteren), Op. 54 (FS150)	5:33
9	Saga-Dream (Saga-drøm), Op. 39 (FS46)	9:48
10	Helios Overture, Op. 17 (FS32)	9:54
	Maskarade (FS39)	8:25
11	Overture	4:35
12	Prelude to Act II	3:51
13	Pan and Syrinx (Pan og Syrinx), Op. 49 (FS87)	9:10

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