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BEETHOVEN • SCHUBERT RACHMANINOV

William Kapell (1922 -1953)

Edmund Kurtz, Cello *

NBC Symphony Orchestra • Vladimir Golschmann †

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BEETHOVEN (1770-1827):

Piano Concerto No. 2 in B flat major, Op. 19 †

27:24

1 Allegro con brio

13:19

2 Largo

8:45

3 Rondo: Allegro scherzando

5:20

Recorded on 24th June 1946

SCHUBERT (1791-1828):

4 Waltz in B major, D. 145, No. 2

0:55

5 Waltz in B minor, D. 145, No. 6

1:07

6 Waltz in E major, D. 365, No. 26

0:38

7 Waltz in F major, D. 365, No. 32

1:01

8 German Dance in B flat, D. 783, No. 6

0:35

9 German Dance in B flat, D. 783, No. 7

0:44

10 Waltz in F major, D. 365, No. 34

0:47

11 Ländler in D major, D. 734, No. 1

0:59

Recorded on 3rd July 1952

RACHMANINOV (1874-1942): Cello Sonata in G Minor, Op. 19 *

31:08

12 Lento - Allegro moderato

9:17

13 Allegro scherzando

6:15

14 Andante

5:48

15 Allegro mosso - Meno mosso - Moderato - Più vivo

9:48

Recorded 23rd-24th April 1947

When William Kapell was killed in a plane crash at the age of 31 on 29th October 1953 the world was robbed of a great talent. Kapell played a wide repertoire, though he became best known for his performances of Khachaturian, Prokofiev, and Rachmaninov, with whose music he felt a special affinity. Kapell's performance of Rachmaninov's *Sonata for Cello and Piano*, one of his few chamber music recordings, combines ardour with intimacy. His recording of Beethoven's *Second Piano Concerto* affords a rare opportunity to hear the spontaneous charm and crisp precision he brought to a composer whose music he rarely programmed in concert.

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