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Franz Waxman Conducts • 1

Franz Waxman: Sinfonietta
Lukas Foss: Piano Concerto No. 2

Franz WAXMAN (1906-1967):

Sinfonietta for String Orchestra and Timpani (1955)

12:31

- 1 Lento – Allegro
- 2 Klagelied: Lento
- 3 Scherzo: Finale

Revered as one of Hollywood's leading film composers, Franz Waxman was also a conductor and impresario. He founded the Los Angeles Festival Orchestra, and he gave many première performances on the West Coast. His own *Sinfonietta for String Orchestra and Timpani* was written on board a ship whilst en route from New York to Europe in 1955. Full of exciting contrast, it has recently been revived as a ballet score. Waxman premièred the revised version of Lukas Foss's *Piano Concerto No. 2* in 1953. The multi-talented Foss, who plays the piano part, crafted a work accommodating the past and the present. Arthur Rubinstein championed it, calling it 'one of the finest pieces written in our time'.

Lukas FOSS (1922-2009):

Piano Concerto No. 2 (1953)

34:35

- 4 Allegro sostenuto
- 5 Adagietto
- 6 Allegro vivace

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Lukas Foss, Piano

Los Angeles Festival Orchestra

Franz Waxman

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