

VAGN HOLMBOE (1909–1996) is acknowledged today as one of the great composers of the 20th century. His international format emerges clearly in his outstanding series of string quartets and chamber concertos. But in other chamber music too, and in solo and vocal works, a great personality comes into its own with a highly distinctive Nordic sound. Vagn Holmboe would have been 100 in 2009. Dacapo pays homage to Holmboe with this collection, which offers rare insight into the composer's musical world.

Vagn Holmboe

THE KEY MASTERPIECES

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- [1] **Prelude: To the Seagulls and the Cormorants,**
op. 174 no. 6 (1987) 6:51
Athelas Sinfonietta Copenhagen; Giordano Bellincampi, cond.
- [2]–[5] **Chamber Concerto no. 2, op. 20** (1940)..... 22:04
The Danish Radio Sinfonietta; Hannu Koivula, cond.
- [6]–[10] **Nuigen. Piano Trio, op. 129** (1976)..... 16:25
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- [11] **Sinfonia I, op. 73a** (1957) 11:23
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- [12]–[14] **Sonata for Solo Cello, op. 101** (1969) 15:24
Morten Zeuthen, cello

CD 2

- [1]–[5] **String Quartet no. 4, op. 63** (1987)..... 24:34
The Kontra Quartet
- [6]–[10] **Requiem for Nietzsche, op. 84** (1963–64) 51:51
Helge Rønning, tenor; Johan Reuter, bass; Danish National
Symphony Orchestra; Michael Schönwandt, cond.

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