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Benjamin  
**BRITTEN**  
(1913-1976)

Playing  
Time  
68:05

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Rebecca Hirsch, Violin • Tim Hugh, Cello

BBC Scottish Symphony Orchestra • Takuo Yuasa

### Concerto for Violin and Orchestra, Op. 15 34:00

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|----------|----------------------------|-------|
| <b>1</b> | Moderato con moto          | 10:23 |
| <b>2</b> | Vivace                     | 8:59  |
| <b>3</b> | Passacaglia: Andante lento | 14:35 |

### Symphony for Cello and Orchestra, Op. 68 33:56

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| <b>4</b> | Allegro maestoso             | 12:11 |
| <b>5</b> | Presto inquieto              | 3:44  |
| <b>6</b> | Adagio                       | 9:59  |
| <b>7</b> | Passacaglia: Andante allegro | 7:59  |

#### The Composer

The most famous British composer born in the 20th century, Benjamin Britten was prolific in his output. He was to write music in every genre, from opera to simple folk-song settings.

#### The Works

Britten's catalogue of orchestral works is relatively small but is amongst his best and includes concertos for piano and violin. That for the cello is in the form of a symphony, and is one of five works Britten wrote for Mstislav Rostropovich. This is music of considerable passion and drama, calling for virtuoso soloists.

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