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This recording features two little-known works by Arnold Bax, who in the years following the First World War was regarded as one of the leading figures in contemporary British music. Both the *Sinfonietta* (originally titled *Symphonic Phantasy*, and withdrawn by the composer and never performed during his lifetime) and the slightly earlier *Overture, Elegy and Rondo* bear all those hallmarks of his mature style that his admirers will recognise.

Arnold
BAX
(1883-1953)

Overture, Elegy and Rondo 23:44

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| 1 | Overture | 7:57 |
| 2 | Elegy | 8:26 |
| 3 | Rondo | 7:21 |

Sinfonietta (Symphonic Phantasy) 22:00

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| 4 | Molto moderato – Allegro | 7:24 |
| 5 | Tempo primo | 9:25 |
| 6 | Allegro | 5:11 |

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