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Vivaldi's universally popular *Four Seasons* has become one of the most recorded pieces of classical music. The four concertos, with their virtuoso part for solo violinist, depict the changing seasons in a pastoral landscape with dazzling variety. Vivaldi evokes not only the changing atmospheric conditions, for example the dripping rain represented by the *pizzicato* violins in the second movement of *Winter*, but bird calls and animal cries, swaying grass, bubbling brooks, and human events such as drunkards sliding and slithering, and a man walking on ice. Formerly known as International Sejong Soloists, Sejong is a group of virtuoso string players including many well-known young soloists.

Antonio
VIVALDI
(1678-1741)

Concertos, Op. 8 Nos. 1-6

Le Quattro Stagioni

(The Four Seasons)

Concerto No. 1 in E major,

'La primavera' (Spring), RV2699:49

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| 1 | Allegro | 3:18 |
| 2 | Largo | 2:20 |
| 3 | Allegro | 4:12 |

Concerto No. 2 in G minor,

'L'estate' (Summer), RV315

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| 4 | Allegro non molto | 5:03 |
| 5 | Adagio - Presto | 2:13 |
| 6 | Presto | 2:42 |

Concerto No. 3 in F major,

'L'autunno', (Autumn), RV293

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| 7 | Allegro | 5:07 |
| 8 | Adagio | 1:57 |
| 9 | Allegro | 3:15 |

Concerto No. 4 in F minor,

'L'inverno', (Winter) RV297

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| 10 | Allegro non molto | 8:34 |
| 11 | Largo | 3:25 |
| 12 | Presto | 2:02 |
| | | 3:07 |

Concerto No. 5 in E flat major,

'La tempesta di mare'

(The Storm at Sea), RV253

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| 13 | Presto | 8:24 |
| 14 | Largo | 2:45 |
| 15 | Presto | 2:15 |
| | | 3:23 |

Concerto No. 6 in C major,

'Il piacere' (The Pleasure),

RV180

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| 16 | Allegro | 8:08 |
| 17 | Largo e cantabile | 2:57 |
| 18 | Allegro | 2:28 |
| | | 2:43 |

Cho-Liang Lin, Violin • Sejong

Anthony Newman, Harpsichord and Portatif Organ

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