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Time
57:41

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PAUL SCHOENFIELD (b. 1947)

Concerto for Viola and Orchestra

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| 1. I. Gan Tzippi | 07:47 |
| 2. II. Soliloquy | 05:43 |
| 3. III. King David Dancing Before the Ark | 05:01 |

Robert Vernon, viola
Rundfunk-Sinfonieorchester Berlin*
Yoel Levi, conductor

Four Motets

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| 4. I. Lento flessibile, molto legato | 03:06 |
| 5. II. Andante, sempre legatissimo e espressivo | 02:16 |
| 6. III. Larghissimo ma flessibile | 02:15 |
| 7. IV. Tranquillo | 03:44 |

BBC Singers
Avner Itai, conductor

The Merchant and the Pauper (excerpts from Act II)

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| 8. Act II, scene 1 | 12:01 |
| 9. Act II, scene 4 (excerpt) | 03:06 |
| 10. Act II, scene 5 | 11:41 |

Jennifer Larson, soprano
Pei Yi Wang, mezzo-soprano
Christopher Meerdink, tenor
Gary Moss, baritone
Tyler Oliphant, baritone
Mark Kent, bass
Isaiah Sheffer, speaker
University of Michigan Opera Orchestra and Chorus
Kenneth Kiesler, conductor

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