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# HERMAN BERLINSKI

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**Avodat Shabbat**  
(Friday Evening Service)

**Part I. Kabbalat Shabbat**

**Part II. Arvit L'shabbat**

**Part III. Close of Service**

*Robert Brubaker, tenor*

*Constance Hauman, soprano*

*Elizabeth Shammash, mezzo-soprano*

*Ernst Senff Chor*

*Rundfunk-Sinfonieorchester Berlin*

*Gerard Schwarz, conductor*

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"I don't think I can write a piece of music, no matter what I do and what I will try, that does not have the stamp of my Jewish existence," said Herman Berlinski during the recording session for his masterpiece *Avodat Shabbat*, one of only three complete Sabbath services ever written for soloists, chorus, and large orchestra. The eighty-nine-year-old Berlinski returned to his native Germany to attend the world-premiere recording of this major 20th-century sacred work, which he created during the course of many years in America.



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