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Jonathan Leshnoff is one of the most exciting voices in contemporary American music, and his lyricism is accompanied by vibrant expressive qualities. The *String Quartet No. 2* reflects the personal qualities of those who commissioned it with originality and vitality, Leshnoff embracing both mystery and klezmer-inspired writing. *Seven Glances at a Mirage* creates shifting perspectives and contrasted sonorities, whilst *Cosmic Variations on a Haunted Theme* alternates between hints of Bachian chorales and Bartók-inspired drama. *...without a chance* is a response to 9/11, where abrupt rhythms are movingly resolved. “Leshnoff is excitingly ‘the real deal’.” (*Fanfare* on 8.559398)

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(b. 1973)

1-3	String Quartet No. 2 ‘Edelman’ (2008)¹	13:10
4	Seven Glances at a Mirage (2003)²	11:46
5	Cosmic Variations on a Haunted Theme (2002)³	17:25
6	...without a chance (2002)⁴	8:25

Carpe Diem String Quartet¹

Jerome Simas, Clarinet²

Stephen Miahky, Violin²

Joshua Nemith, Piano²

Opus 3 Trio³

Barry Dove, Vibraphone⁴

Svet Stoyanov, Marimba⁴

Dave DePeters, Percussion⁴

A detailed track and artist list can be found inside the booklet. Recorded at AudioLab, Boise, ID, USA, on December 17th, 2010 (tracks 1-3); at the Germantown Performing Arts Centre, Germantown, TN, USA, on March 1st and 2nd, 2006 (track 4); at the Towson University Department of Music Recital Hall, Towson, Maryland, USA, on January 16th, 2006 (track 5); and at the Recording Studio of the Towson University Department of Music, Towson, Maryland, USA, on October 2nd, 2005 (track 6).

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