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Richard **DANIELPOUR** (b. 1956)

Songs in Three Languages

1–5	Songs of Love and Loss (2020)	14:49
6–17	Canti Della Natura (2021)	33:05
18–20	Songs of My Father (2021)	10:22

WORLD PREMIERE RECORDINGS

Hila Plitmann, Soprano **1–13 15–20**,
Tambourine **1–5**

David Walther, Viola **18–20**

Antonio Lysy, Cello **6–17**

Inna Faliks, Piano **6–17**

Marcia Dickstein, Harp **18–20**

The Iranshahr Orchestra **1–5**

Shahāb Pāranj **1–5**

A detailed track list can be found inside the booklet.

The sung texts and English translations can be found

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AMERICAN CLASSICS

Richard Danielpour has collaborated frequently with soprano Hila Plitmann, and this album features three recent works, two of which were written specifically for her. The song cycles heard here are sung in three languages central to the composer's life. *Songs of Love and Loss* is in Farsi and sets the poetry of Rumi; *Canti Della Natura*, in Italian, takes sonnets attributed to Vivaldi in *The Four Seasons*; while *Songs of My Father* is set to the English poems of Danielpour's father. Each cycle features differing instrumentation and reflects Danielpour's long-admired compositional subtlety and refinement.

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