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The music of Bohuslav Martinů, whose complete solo piano works have also been recorded by Giorgio Koukl for Naxos, can ring like bells, shimmer like a mirage or pulse with sheer rhythmic vitality as is the case with these three piano concertos, where high drama, brilliant tunes, captivating colouristic effects and tongue-in-cheek frivolity all find their place. Volume 1 – *Piano Concertos Nos. 3 & 5* (8.572206) has been acclaimed for its ‘Buoyant and exuberant performances’ (*Gramophone Editor’s Choice*) and as ‘an auspicious debut [and] extremely well played’ (*International Record Review*).

Bohuslav
MARTINŮ
(1890–1959)

Piano Concertos • 2

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| Piano Concerto No. 4, H. 358, ‘Incantation’ | | 20:24 |
| 1 | Poco allegro | 9:45 |
| 2 | Poco moderato | 10:38 |
| Piano Concerto No. 1 in D major, H. 149 | | 29:20 |
| 3 | Allegro moderato | 10:44 |
| 4 | Andante | 7:47 |
| 5 | Allegro | 10:46 |
| Piano Concerto No. 2, H. 237 | | 24:50 |
| 6 | Allegro moderato | 9:44 |
| 7 | Poco andante | 7:38 |
| 8 | Poco allegro | 7:25 |



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Bohuslav Martinů Philharmonic Orchestra, Zlín
Arthur Fagen



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