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The revelatory Naxos Casella series continues with two powerful works that grew from the tragedy of two World Wars. Searingly dissonant and 'profoundly human', the *Elegia eroica* ('Heroic Elegy') is Casella's memorial to Italian soldiers killed in World War I. His *Third Symphony*, a commission for the fiftieth birthday of the Chicago Symphony Orchestra, assimilates the influences and experiences of a lifetime into an exhilaratingly melodic, emotionally wide-ranging and truly organic whole. This third disc in the series completes the world première recording of all three Casella symphonies. Francesco La Vecchia and the Orchestra Sinfonica di Roma 'have Casella in their bloodstream' (*MusicWeb International*).

Alfredo CASELLA

(1883-1947)

Sinfonia (Symphony No. 3), Op. 63 (1939-40)

45:33

1 I. Allegro mosso

11:28

2 II. Andante molto moderato, quasi adagio

12:24

3 III. Scherzo

7:45

4 IV. Rondo Finale

13:56

5 Elegia eroica ('Heroic Elegy'), Op. 29 (1916)

16:39

Alla memoria di un Soldato morto in guerra



Orchestra Sinfonica di Roma
Francesco La Vecchia

Con il patrocinio della



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