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VAUGHAN WILLIAMS: *Coastal Command*RALPH VAUGHAN  
WILLIAMS

(1872–1958)

## Film Music

RTÉ CONCERT  
ORCHESTRA  
*Love your Orchestras*RTÉ Concert Orchestra  
conducted by Andrew Penny**49th Parallel (1940-41)** 2:15**1 Prelude** 2:15**The Story of a Flemish Farm –  
Suite (1943)** 26:19**2 The Flag Flutters in the Wind** 2:45**3 Night by the Sea – Farewell to the Flag** 2:18**4 Dawn in the Barn – The Parting of  
the Lovers** 5:35**5 In a Belgian Café** 3:01

- 6 The Major goes to face his Fate** 3:12
- 7 The Dead Man's Kit** 4:35
- 8 The Wanderings of the Flag** 4:43

**Coastal Command – Suite  
(1942)** 22:28

- 9 Prelude** 1:41
- 10 The Hebrides** 1:41
- 11 U-Boat Alert** 3:07
- 12 Taking off at Night** 1:35
- 13 The Hudsons take off from Iceland** 2:13
- 14 Dawn Patrol ('Quiet Determination')** 4:03
- 15 Battle of the Beauforts** 3:47
- 16 Finale** 4:12

**Three Portraits from the  
England of Elizabeth (1955)** 16:24

- 17 Explorers** 4:20
- 18 Poet** 6:46
- 19 Queen** 5:17

Ralph Vaughan Williams composed in a wide variety of genres, and film music became a significant part of his output in the latter decades of a long and distinguished career. He viewed film scores as more than just ephemera, seeking to "intensify the spirit of the whole" in wartime productions such as the defiantly anti-Nazi *49th Parallel* and *Coastal Command*, in which the graceful romance of sea-planes sends the spirits soaring. The haunting and evocative atmosphere of *The Flemish Farm* contrasts with *Three Portraits* that evoke the first Elizabethan age and announce the springtime of the second.

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