

James Whitbourn is a GRAMMY® nominated composer whose music is internationally admired for its direct connection with performers and audiences, *The Observer* describing him as ‘a truly original communicator in modern British choral music’. *Carolae* is a fusion of two great American and English Christmas traditions, with the *Missa carolae* at its heart. Whitbourn’s love of medieval musical language is shown through his crafting of original melody and skilful arrangements of seasonal favourites.

James
WHITBOURN
(b. 1963)

Carolae – Music for Christmas

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| 1 | Veni et illumina (2015)* | 6:02 |
| 2 | I wonder as I wander (trad., arr. Steve Pilkington) (1994) | 3:58 |
| 3-4 | Missa carolae: Processional and Kyrie (2004) | 7:16 |
| 5 | Missa carolae: Gloria (2004) | 4:04 |
| 6 | Winter's Wait (2010) | 4:07 |
| 7-8 | Missa carolae: Sanctus and Benedictus (2004) | 4:34 |
| 9 | The Magi's Dream (2011)* | 3:29 |
| 10 | Missa carolae: Agnus Dei (2004) | 4:27 |
| 11 | Coventry Carol (trad., arr. Steve Pilkington) (2003) | 3:28 |
| 12 | Of one that is so fair and bright (1992) | 3:15 |
| 13 | Hodie (1999) | 2:43 |
| 14 | Magnificat (2005) | 7:41 |
| 15 | A great and mighty wonder (2002)* | 2:53 |
| 16 | Nunc Dimittis (2005) | 4:15 |
| 17 | Garth Edmundson (1892-1971): Toccata on Vom Himmel Hoch (1937) | 4:51 |

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Eric Rieger, Tenor 14 16 • Daryl Robinson, Organ 1 3-10 13 14 16 17
Westminster Williamson Voices • James Jordan

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