

Composed as a sequel to *Christopher Columbus*, available on Naxos 8.660237-38, Leonardo Balada's *The Death of Columbus* has been critically acclaimed as 'uncommonly impressive and winning'. From its spectacular opening scene depicting the triumphant return of Columbus to Barcelona from his discovery of the New World, to the tormented delirium of the great explorer's death-bed scene, *The Death of Columbus* is an intensely moving opera, filled with lyrical melodies and imaginative orchestration. This is a landmark addition to Naxos's highly-praised series of Balada's music.

Leonardo  
**BALADA**  
(b. 1933)

**La Muerte de Colón (1992-93, rev. 1996)**

(The Death of Columbus)

Opera in two acts • Libretto by Leonardo Balada

Cristóbal Colón .....	Jon Garrison
Queen Isabella .....	Judith Jenkins
Beatriz Enríquez .....	Katherine Mueller
Mysterious Character .....	David Okerlund
Margarit / Hernando / Vespucci .....	Arturo Martín
Aguado / Diego / Magellan .....	Dimitrie Lazich
Friar Boil / Diego / Zapata .....	Raymond Blackwell
Bobadilla / Bartholomew / Bolívar .....	Milutin Lazich
King Ferdinand .....	Brent Stater
Indian Voice .....	Katy Shackleton-Williams

**Members of the Mendelssohn Choir of Pittsburgh  
Carnegie Mellon Philharmonic and Repertory Chorus • Robert Page**

**CD 1 1-9 Act I 50:10 CD 2 1-7 Act II 44:15**

A full track and cast list can be found on pages 2 and 3 of the booklet

The Spanish libretto and an English translation are included in the booklet, and may also be accessed at [www.naxos.com/libretti/660193.htm](http://www.naxos.com/libretti/660193.htm), in addition to a Spanish synopsis.

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