

ADOLF VON HENSELT

PIANO WORKS

Bavarian-born Adolf von Henselt was one of a galaxy of star pianist-composers of a similar age that included Chopin, Schumann, Liszt and Thalberg. A student of Hummel, Henselt developed a breathtaking, idiosyncratic virtuoso technique but stage fright drew him away from performance and more towards composition and then teaching. Moving to St Petersburg in 1838, he established, with Anton Rubinstein, a truly Russian school of pianism. His piano works embrace ferocious technical studies as well as romantic salon pieces that led Schumann to dub Henselt 'the Chopin of the North'.

**WIEGENLIED (Lullaby) • WALTZES • ÉTUDES •
NOCTURNES • PETITE ROMANCE • ROMANCE RUSSE ***
• LA GONDOLA • ERINNERUNG UND FREUNDSCHAFT
(Remembrance and friendship) • AUFFORDERUNG ZUM
TANZ (Invitation to the Dance) *

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