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MIT DEUTSCHEM KOMMENTAR

Heinrich Sutermeister (1910–95) belongs to the generation of Swiss composers after Bloch, Honegger, Martin and Schoeck. His operatic version of *Romeo and Juliet* soon spread his reputation far afield, and conductors as prominent as Böhm, Karajan and Sawallisch championed his works. Although his star has waned in the quarter-century since his death, the four orchestral works recorded here – ranging from the dramatic essay he drew from that first Shakespearean operatic success, via the easy-going charm of two lighter suites, to his deeply felt response to the Swiss landscape – bring a salutary reminder of why his music appeals so directly to its audiences.

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Romeo and Juliet:

Symphonic Suite for Large Orchestra (1940)

1	Fanfares summon the Guests to a Feast at the Capulets: <i>Presto vivace</i> –	20:51
2	Music of the Feast: <i>Più mosso</i> –	0:23
3	Juliet dances with Paris: <i>Andante con grazia</i> –	1:11
4	Climax of the Masked Ball: <i>Allegro molto</i> –	2:42
5	Sarabande: <i>Andante molto sostenuto</i> –	3:30
6	Fairy Mab: <i>Presto grazioso</i> –	7:13
7	Finale: <i>Adagio</i>	2:02
8	<i>Die Alpen: Fantasy on Swiss Folksongs for Orchestra and Speaker</i> (1946–48)	3:50

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Aubade pour Morges (1978–79)

14	I Le château: <i>Moderato festivo</i>	12:48
15	II Au parc: <i>Andante espressivo</i>	2:37
16	III Les vendanges: <i>Vivo</i>	2:40
17	IV Clair de lune sur le lac: <i>Molto lento</i>	1:41
18	V Le port: <i>Vivo</i>	3:36

19	<i>Divertimento No. 2</i> (1959–60)	2:14
20	I <i>Mosso, grazioso</i> –	27:15
21	II <i>Adagio espressivo</i> –	7:52
22	III <i>Vivo con spirito</i> –	11:07
23	IV <i>Prestissimo</i>	3:32

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Bruno Cathomas, speaker 8–13

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Duncan Riddell, leader

Rainer Held, conductor

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