

NEW ON NAXOS The World's Leading Classical Music Label





LIVE IN CONCERT IN ST PETERSBURG

Tchaikovsky Violin Concerto Brahms Violin Concerto Ysaÿe Violin Sonata No. 3 J.S. Bach Partita No. 2



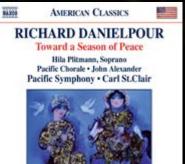
SI Petersburg State Symphosy Ord VLADIMIR L

This Month's Other Highlights



Lalla Roukh Fiset Gonzalez Toro Paulin Deletré Newman Adeisberger Opera Lafayette Ryan Brown





林林 日本作山家道街 1000

TOSHIO HOSOKAWA Orchestral Works • 1

Moment of Blossoning + Lotas under the moonlight + Chant Stefan Dohr, French horst + Momo Kodama, Piano Anssi Karttunen, Cello Royal Scottish National Orchestra + Jun Mirkl



© 2014 Naxos Rights US, Inc. • Contact Us: Customer.Service@naxos.com www.naxos.com • www.classicsonline.com • www.naxosmusiclibrary.com • blog.naxos.com



LIVE IN CONCERT IN ST PETERSBURG

Tchaikovsky Violin Concerto Brahms Violin Concerto Ysaÿe Violin Sonata No. 3 J.S. Bach Partita No. 2 St Petersburg State Symphony Orchestra VLADIMIR LANDE



2.110283 DVD



Running Time: Main 89 mins Bonus 30 mins

TIANWA YANG LIVE IN CONCERT IN ST PETERSBURG Tianwa Yang, violin

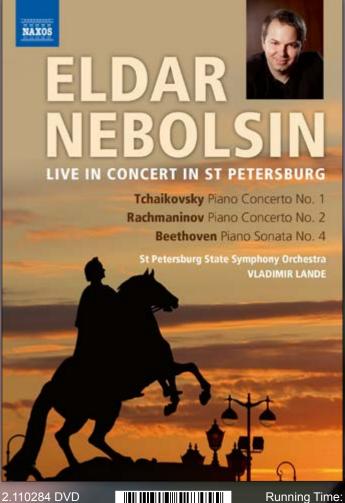
St Petersburg State Symphony Orchestra • Vladimir Lande

TCHAIKOVSKY	Violin Concerto in D major, Op. 35
BRAHMS	Violin Concerto in D major, Op. 77
YSAŸE	Violin Sonata No. 3 in D minor 'Ballade'
J.S. BACH	Partita No. 2 in D minor, BWV 1004 BONUS

This is the accomplished and stylish Russian debut of Tianwa Yang – one of the most unusual and energetic violinists of our time. To an enthusiastic audience within the walls of the beautiful Court Capella in St Petersburg, she performs the much-loved concertos of Tchaikovsky and Brahms with the St Petersburg State Symphony Orchestra under the sensitive direction of Vladimir Lande. The remarkable intensity of her playing is just as apparent in both her encore – Ysaÿe's *Violin Sonata No. 3* – and her separate performance of Bach's solo *Partita No. 2*.

Tianwa Yang has quickly established herself as a leading international performer and recording artist. She has recorded critically acclaimed interpretations of the complete music for violin and piano, and for violin and orchestra, by Sarasate. Her recording of Mendelssohn's two violin concertos (8.572662) has won the highest praise.

TV Format: NTSC / 16:9 Sound: PCM Stereo Region Code: 0 (worldwide)





Main 69 mins Bonus 29 mins

ELDAR NEBOLSIN LIVE IN CONCERT IN ST PETERSBURG Eldar Nebolsin, piano

St Petersburg State Symphony Orchestra • Vladimir Lande

TCHAIKOVSKY Piano Concerto No. 1 in B flat minor, Op. 23 RACHMANINOV Piano Concerto No. 2 in C minor, Op. 18 BEETHOVEN Piano Sonata No. 4 in E flat major, Op. 7

Against the backdrop of St Petersburg's beautiful Court Capella, Eldar Nebolsin performs the piano concertos of Tchaikovsky and Rachmaninov with a passion and sincerity as palpable on screen as live in the hall. With such evident pleasure and seemingly with ease, he transforms the familiar into something fresh and wonderful. He is seen live with Vladimir Lande and the St Petersburg State Symphony Orchestra. Bonus material shows Nebolsin as soloist in an intimate and equally engaging performance of Beethoven's Fourth Piano Sonata.

In 2005, Eldar Nebolsin was unanimously awarded the Sviatoslav Richter Prize in the First International Piano Competition in Moscow, where he was also honoured with the special award for The Best Classical Concerto Performance. He enjoys a busy international career as a soloist, recitalist and chamber-music player, appearing with conductors, orchestras and colleagues of international distinction.

TV Format: NTSC / 16:9 Sound: PCM Stereo Region Code: 0 (worldwide)



00

Vladimir Lande

Companion Titles









Eldar Nebolsin



St Petersburg State Symphony Orchestra



2.110224

2.110230

2.110231

NAXOS

Félicien DAVID (1810-1876)

Lalla Roukh

Fiset Gonzalez Toro Paulin Deletré Newman Adelsberger Opera Lafayette Ryan Brown 2 CDs

8.660338-39 2 CDs



Playing Time: 1:47:00



Members of Kalanidhi Dance with Marianne Fiset and Nathalie Paulin in rehearsal of Opera Lafayette's production of "Lalla Roukh" by Félicien David

Félicien DAVID (1810–1876)

Lalla Roukh (Opéra-comique in two acts) Marianne Fiset, soprano • Emiliano Gonzalez Toro, tenor Nathalie Paulin, soprano • Bernard Deletré, bass-baritone David Newman, baritone • Andrew Adelsberger, bass-baritone Opera Lafayette • Ryan Brown

French opera owes much of its obsession with exoticism to the pivotal figure of Félicien David, a pioneer of 'musical Orientalism'. His opera *Lalla Roukh*, first performed to huge acclaim in 1862, was the catalyst for the explosion in operas set in the 'Exotic East'. The fairy-tale plot revolves around an Indian princess who travels to Bukhara (part of modern Uzbekistan) to meet the man to whom she is to be given in marriage. Along the way she falls in love with the minstrel Noureddin who is, in fact, the King of Bukhara in disguise. David's evocative and magical orchestration is harnessed to memorable melodies, including Lalla Roukh's deftly harmonized arias 'Sous le feuillage sombre' and 'O nuit d'amour'.

Through his work with Opera Lafayette, **Ryan Brown** has gained an international reputation for his interpretations of French opera, and in particular for his rôle in the revival of works from the eighteenth century.

Companion Titles









8.660209-10

8.660224 8.660263-64

8.660322

Opera Lafayette

Michał Nesterowicz

Giacomo MEYERBEER (1791–1864) Ballet Music from the Operas Les Huguenots • Robert le Diable

L'Étoile du Nord • Le Prophète • L'Africaine Barcelona Symphony Orchestra • Michał Nesterowicz

Giacomo Meyerbeer was one of the most significant opera composers of all time. The four grand operas represented here brought him his greatest fame, with Les Huguenots being one of the most performed of all operas. Meyerbeer's contributions to the French tradition of opéra-ballet acquired legendary status, including the ghostly Ballet of the Nuns from Robert le Diable; the exotic orchestral colour of the Marche indienne in L'Africaine; and the virtuoso Ballet of the Skaters from Le Prophète in which the dancers famously glided over the stage using roller skates.

Michał Nesterowicz is Artistic Director of the Orquesta Sinfónica de Tenerife, and has previously held equivalent posts at the Orquesta Sinfónica de Chile and the Polish Baltic Philharmonic Orchestra (Gdańsk).



Barcelona Symphony Orchestra

NAXOS

Giacomo MEYERBEER

Ballet Music from the Operas

Les Huguenots **Robert le Diable** L'Étoile du Nord Le Prophète L'Africaine

Barcelona Symphony Orchestra

Michał Nesterowicz

8.573076

Companion Titles









Playing Time: 69:38

8.660245-47





8.573239



Playing Time: 59:25

Toshio HOSOKAWA (b. 1955) Orchestral Works, Volume 1 Royal Scottish National Orchestra • Jun Märkl

Horn Concerto 'Moment of Blossoming' Stefan Dohr, French horn Lotus under the moonlight - Piano Concerto Momo Kodama, piano Chant Anssi Karttunen, cello

Japanese musicians have often taken the connection between man and nature as their theme and award-winning composer Toshio Hosokawa stands strongly in that artistic lineage. His Horn Concerto 'Moment of Blossoming' imagines the solo instrument as a lotus flower and the orchestra as the cosmos. The theme of the blossoming lotus continues in the piano concerto Lotus under the moonlight and in the songful Chant for cello and orchestra, influenced by Shômyô singing (the ceremonial music of Japanese Buddhism). The Horn Concerto was co-commissioned by the Berlin Philharmonic, the Concertgebouw of Amsterdam and London's Barbican Centre.

Jun Märkl was Music Director of the Orchestre National de Lyon from 2005 to 2011. In recognition of his tenure in Lyon and his very successful nine-disc Debussy cycle with the orchestra on Naxos [8.509002], in 2012 he was honoured by the French Ministry of Culture with the Chevalier de l'Ordre des Arts et des Lettres.

Companion Title



8.572479

Jun Märkl



Royal Scottish National Orchestra

Höhne

istiane

© Ch

MAXOS AMERICAN CLASSICS

RICHARD DANIELPOUR Toward a Season of Peace

Hila Plitmann, Soprano Pacific Chorale • John Alexander Pacific Symphony • Carl St.Clair



8.559772



Playing Time: 50:40

WORLD PREMIÈRE RECORDING

Richard DANIELPOUR (b. 1956)

Toward a Season of Peace

Hila Plitmann, soprano • Pacific Chorale Pacific Symphony • Carl St.Clair

One of the most sought-after and acclaimed composers of his generation, Richard Danielpour refers to himself as "an American composer with a Middle Eastern memory." His distinctive voice is part of a rich neo-Romantic heritage which includes composers such as Copland, Bernstein and Barber. Toward a Season of Peace is an oratorio which explores violence and war in the name of religion, using the season of spring as a metaphor for change and transformation toward songs of peace through forgiveness. Danielpour's insistence on music having "an immediate visceral impact" can be heard throughout his oeuvre, and the beautifully translated Persian poetry and rich spirit of harmony in Toward a Season of Peace make it symbolic of a brighter future for everyone.

As Pacific Symphony's music director since 1990–91, **Carl St.Clair** has become widely recognised for his musically distinguished performances, commitment to outstanding educational programs and innovative approaches to programming. St Clair is known for the critically acclaimed annual American Composers Festivals, which began in 2000.

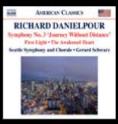


Hila Plitmann



Pacific Symphony

Companion Titles

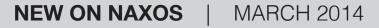


8.559712



8.559669

Richard Danielpour







8.573020

NAXOS

8.570610





The Song and Dance of Tears Colors of Crimson

Hui Li • Tong Wu • Trey Lee • Sa Chen • Plus Cheung Hong Kong Philharmonic • Bright Sheng



Playing Time: 59:55

Playing Time: 67:43

Matthew LOCKE (c. 1621–1677)

The Broken Consort, Part I Suite in G major from Tripla Concordia Suite in E minor from Tripla Concordia Wavward Sisters (Beth Wenstrom, Baroque violin • Anne Timberlake, recorders Anna Steinhoff, Baroque cello • John Lenti, theorbo)

Matthew Locke was the most prominent English musician of the generation before Purcell, occupying a unique place between the Renaissance consort tradition and Baroque chamber music. The Broken Consort refers to a group with mixed instruments, and Locke's pieces entertained royalty with their ambitiously chromatic tonal language and rhythmic quirkiness. The Composer to the Private Musick was never happier than with surprisingly angular melodies and dramatic gestures 'into the theatricall way'. This recording is the début release of Wayward Sisters, winners of the 2011 Early Music America/Naxos Recording Competition.



Members of Wayward Sisters have studied historical performance at Oberlin Conservatory, Indiana University, and The Juilliard School. The name 'Wayward Sisters' refers not only to Henry Purcell's vivid conjuring of Shakespeare's witches, but to the group members' far-flung lives and continuing commitment to making music together.

Companion Titles





8.550601

8.572178

8.572832

Bright SHENG (b. 1955) The Blazing Mirage^{*} The Songs and Dances of Tears[†] • Colors of Crimson[‡]

Trey Lee, cello** • Hui Li, pipa* • Tong Wu, sheng* Sa Chen, pianot • Pius Cheung, marimbat Hong Kong Philharmonic • Bright Sheng

In 2000 Bright Sheng collected music from the remote mountains and deserts along the ancient Silk Road in China. The Song and Dance of Tears combines Chinese and Western sonorities in an evocation of the deep emotional impressions made on him by the beautiful music of that region. Colors of Crimson expands the

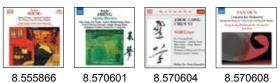
timbre of the solo marimba through a fascinating spectrum of orchestral effects, while the skilful fusion of Chinese and Central Asian classical and folk music in The Blazing Mirage was inspired by the miraculously preserved artistic and cultural treasures of the Dunhuang Caves.



MacArthur Fellow Bright Sheng has collaborated with such renowned musicians as Bernstein, Masur, Eschenbach, Dutoit, Slatkin, Van Zweden, Yo-Yo Ma, Peter Serkin, Emanuel Ax, Gil Shaham, Yefin Bronfman and Evelyn Glennie, among others. He has been commissioned and performed by virtually all the important musical institutions in North America, Europe and Asia,

including the White House, Beijing Olympics, the New York Philharmonic, Boston Symphony, Chicago Symphony, Philadelphia Orchestra, Cleveland Orchestra, Royal Concertgebouw, St Petersburg Philharmonic, San Francisco Opera, and the San Francisco Ballet. He has served as Artistic Advisor to Yo-Yo Ma's Silk Road Project.

Companion Titles









Justin Heinrich KNECHT (1752–1817)

Le Portrait musical de la Nature Orchestra Filarmonica di Torino • Christian Benda François-André Danican PHILIDOR (1726–1795) **Overtures** – Le Jardinier et Son Seigneur Le Sorcier • Tom Jones • Le Maréchal-Ferrant

Prague Sinfonia Orchestra • Christian Benda

Though he wrote a great deal of church music, and also composed for the theatre, Justin Heinrich Knecht is best remembered for his Grande Simphonie 'Le Portrait musical de la Nature'. Elegantly scored and completed in 1785, this eventful fivemovement symphonic work of nature-depiction predates Beethoven's Pastoral Symphony by almost a quarter of a century. Knecht's older French contemporary Philidor was the leading chess player of his time in addition to being a popular stage composer, whose overtures reveal the influence of the Italian school in their sparkling drama.



8.557593-94

Christian Benda is descended from a long line of musicians. He is chief conductor and artistic director of the Prague Sinfonia Orchestra of the Velvet Revolution with which he has recorded numerous standard classical works, as well as the complete overtures of Schubert [Naxos 8.570328-29] and Rossini [8.570933, 8.570934, 8.570935, 8.572735].

8.573066



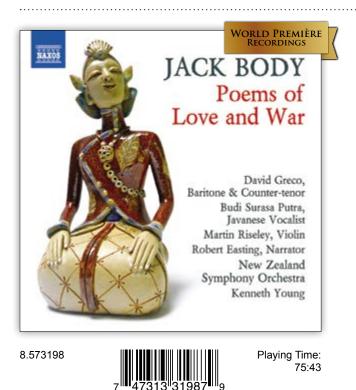
Playing Time: 67.27

Companion Titles

-



8.660274



Jack BODY (b. 1944) Poems of Love and War

8.570421

New Zealand Symphony Orchestra • Kenneth Young

Three Arias from 'Alley' David Greco, baritone & counter-tenor My Name is Mok Bhon Somara Ouk, recorded voice Palaran: Poems of Love and War Budi Surasa Putra, Javanese vocalist Meditations on Michelangelo Martin Riseley, violin Poems of Solitary Delight Amitai Pati, tenor • Robert Easting, narrator



Jack Body is one of New Zealand's leading composers. His fascination with Asian traditional music has had a profound impact on music which often tells 'dark stories of repression and unjust political imprisonment' (New Zealand Listener). Body's opera Alley tells the extraordinary life of Rewi Alley, whose powerful experiences in China are reflected in these specially orchestrated arias. Palaran:

Poems of Love and War draws on the subtleties of Javanese gamelan and traditional vocal styles, while Poems of Solitary Delight gives a musical context to Japanese poet Tachibana Akemi's light-hearted meditations on solitary pleasures. In contrast My Name is Mok Bhon references Cambodian traditional music to express the trauma and anguish of the Khmer Rouge years.

Companion Titles



8.555862

8.573199



Peter NAXOS MAXWELL DAVIES

Suite from The Boyfriend Suite from The Devils . Seven in Nomine Yesnaby Ground • Farewell to Stromness

Peter Maxwell Davies, Piano • Aquarius • Nicholas Cleobury



8.572408

Playing Time: 71.02

Playing Time:

57:24

Peter MAXWELL DAVIES (b. 1934) Yesnaby Ground • Farewell to Stromness

Peter Maxwell Davies, piano Suite from The Boyfriend • Suite from The Devils

Seven In Nomine Aquarius • Nicholas Cleobury

All the works on this recording have connections with stage or theatre. The two suites are derived from scores that Maxwell Davies wrote for films by Ken Russell and could not be more different. The Boyfriend, based on a 1954 musical by Sandy Wilson, introduces a large dance band and period motifs to great effect, while dramatic extremes depicting the film's themes of corruption, exorcism and

e x e c u t i o n within a medieval religious setting are explored in The Devils. Seven in Nomine evokes Maxwell Davies' interest in medieval plainsong. The composer himself plays two of his most popular piano pieces with their memorable evocations of Orkney landmarks.

Companion Titles

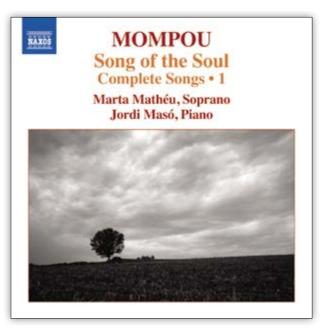


8.557396



8 557399

8 557400



8.573099



Frederic MOMPOU (1893–1987) **Complete Songs, Volume 1** Marta Mathéu, soprano • Jordi Masó, piano

Cantar del alma (Song Of The Soul) • Combat del somni (Dream Battle) Deux mélodies • Quard l'amant sortif (When Her Lover Left) Cinq mélodies sur des textes de Paul Valéry • Mira quina resplendor (See What Splendour) La cançó de l'àvia (Grandma's Song) • L'hora grisa (The Twilight Hour) • Psalm



Frederic Mompou's purely intuitive music has a unique place in Catalan history. He was initially inspired by the music of Fauré, but the early La cançó de l'àvia also represents an affinity with traditional Catalan folk-tunes, and his Quatre melodies reflect a love of brevity. Mompou's beautiful Damunt de tu només les flors [Track 1] is one of

Marta Mathéu Jordi Masó

his most famous creations, while the sombre Cing mélodies sur des textes de Paul Valéry is probably his greatest vocal work. Jordi Masó's six-volume set of the complete piano works of Mompou has been widely acclaimed.

Companion Titles









8.559399



Playing Time: 66[.]13

Richard FESTINGER (b. 1948) **Diary of a Journey**

The Coming of Age • Laws of Motion • A Dream Foretold New York New Music Ensemble

Richard Festinger has long been an essential part of Northern California Bay Area musical life, his works described as having a "combination of propulsive energy with an impeccable sense of poise and balance" (Tanalewood Contemporary Music Festival). Each of the works on this recording is a quintessential example of his approach to composition. Diary of a Journey is a metaphorical circle described in exhilarating forward motion and uncertain stillness. The Coming of Age reflects Denis Johnson's poetry in its intimate precision, and wildly kinetic and mournful personas of the cello are at the center of Laws of Motion. A Dream Foretold is a rich tapestry of enigmatic eloquence, masterful counterpoint and constant surprise.



Since its inception in 1976 the New York New Music Ensemble has received the highest international praise and acclaim for its commissions, performances, and recordings of the American music of our time. The ensemble has commissioned and given premières of over 130 new works by the most outstanding composers in the United States



8.559760



Playing Time: 55.38

Frederic RZEWSKI (b. 1938) **Piano Music** Fantasia • Second Hand, or Alone at Last • De Profundis



Robert Satterlee, piano

Frederic Rzewski is one of the most influential figures in contemporary music. In the composer's own words, for this second, 1999 version of Fantasia, "I ... changed the music to obscure the tune, putting in lots of wrong notes and kind of stomping on and smudging everything." Second Hand, or Alone at Last was written for Robert Satterlee, the left hand "executing the most spectacular acrobatics." Described by the composer as "melodramatic oratorio" for speaking pianist, De Profundis is a startlingly original work which uses an Oscar Wilde text written during his imprisonment in Reading Gaol and requires the pianist to recite, sing, hum, whistle, use

a Harpo horn, and hit his own body and the piano while playing a score of considerable variety and drama. Rzewski's The People United Will Never Be Defeated can be found on Naxos 8.559360.

Companion Title



8.559360



8.573121

Playing Time: 71:53 Ceremonial Medea's Dance of Vengeance, Op. 23a (transcr. Frank M. Hudson)

Few wind ensembles have earned such international acclaim as the United States Marine Band, virtuosos who here perform an excitingly varied programme directed by the awardwinning conductor of the Seattle Symphony, Gerard Schwarz. Established classics such as Frederick Fennell's edition of Percy Grainger's Lincolnshire Posy sit alongside Paul Creston's festive Celebration Overture. Copland's pungent Emblems evokes Amazing Grace in masterly fashion, whilst Schwarz himself contributes his own recent composition Above and Beyond, written specifically for this band in recognition of its remarkable musicianship.