Sibelius often took time away from his larger scores to compose piano pieces intended for amateur performance. The collections of short pieces in this recording all originated in this way, and, although he was not instinctively a composer for the piano, the craft of the greatest of Finnish composers is evident in these very attractive miniatures.

Jean SIBELIUS (1865-1957)

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