Ulrich Levendecker is one of a younger generation of German composers who have turned their back on the avant-garde and embraced past traditions. This distinguished and sought-after composer gives his compositions titles from historically defined genres, such as the Symphony and Concerto included here, yet he avoids mimicking the styles of past masters. Both the Third Symphony and the Violin Concerto vividly demonstrate Levendecker's interest in music as sonic architecture, while managing to communicate directly and emotionally with the listener.



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(b. 1946)

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2 II. Adagio 8:21 4 I. Largo leggiero 10:03

3 III. Allegro (Variations) 11:07

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