VANHAL: Three

Violin

Concertos

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In October 1777, nearly two years after completing his five violin concertos, Mozart, himself a highly accomplished violinist, gave a performance as soloist of Vanhal's Violin Concerto in B flat to 'universal applause'. This impressive concerto, one of seventeen by one of the most prolific and popular Viennese composers of the late 18th century, is coupled with two other works also written before 1772. All three are marked by elegantly sculpted lines calling for precision, beauty of tone and consummate musicianship. The slow movements are beautifully tailored to exploit the lyrical qualities of the violin, while the last movements demonstrate a strong kinship with the driving finales of Vanhal's Symphonies (Naxos 8.554341, 8.554138 and 8.557483).



Johann Baptist VAŇHAL

(1739-1813)

## **Three Violin Concertos**

| Violin Concerto in G major |       | Violin Concerto in B flat major |       |
|----------------------------|-------|---------------------------------|-------|
| (Weinmann IIb:G3)          | 27:26 | (Weinmann IIb:Bb1)              | 22:36 |
| 1 Allegro moderato         | 9:20  | 7 Allegro moderato              | 8:38  |
| 2 Adagio                   | 6:41  | 8 Adagio                        | 5:39  |
| 3 Allegro                  | 11:25 | 9 Allegro                       | 8:19  |
| Violin Concerto in G maio  | \r    |                                 |       |

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violin Concerto in G major (Weinmann IIb:G1)

4 Allegro moderato 7:25 5 Andante 6:41

6 Allegro 6:25

Takako Nishizaki, Violin Cologne Chamber Orchestra • Helmut Müller-Brühl

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