LISZT:

Symphonic Poems

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In his 13 symphonic poems, inspired by the visual or literary arts, Liszt broke away from the standard four-movement symphony to create a one-movement composition of frequently contrasting moods, unified through thematic transformations of a single, recurring musical idea. The first of these, Ce qu'on entend sur la montagne, is based on a poem by Victor Hugo, while Battle of the Huns takes it inspiration from a painting of the struggle between the Christian Emperor Theodoric and the pagan Attila the Hun before the gates of Rome. Volumes 1 and 2 of the symphonic poems conducted by Michael Halász are available on 8.550487 and 8.553355.

Franz LISZT (1811-1886)

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- **I** Symphonic Poem No. 7: Festklänge, S101 18:57
- Symphonic Poem No. 1: Ce qu'on entend sur la montagne (What is heard on the mountain), S95 *
 29:13
- **Symphonic Poem No. 11: Hunnenschlacht** (Battle of the Huns), S105 14:24

New Zealand Symphony Orchestra • Michael Halász



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* based on a poem by Victor Hugo, which can be viewed with English translation, online at www.naxos.com/libretti/surlamontagne.htm

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