

Boris Tchaikovsky is revered in Russian musical circles as one of the most original and innovative composers of the post-Shostakovich generation. A work of great depth and beauty, the *Piano Quintet* is considered his finest chamber work and a stylistic milestone which would influence aspects of the later *Piano Concerto* (8.557727). Based on a score for the 1964 film *While the Front is in Defence, The War Suite* is an evocative portrayal of the horrors of battle, but also of heroism, friendship and lost love, at the Volkhov Front, south east of Leningrad, during the winter of 1942.



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Boris TCHAIKOVSKY

(1925-1996)



Piano Quintet (1962)	36:35	7	III. The Road	3:12
1 I. Moderato	11:02	8	IV. Waltz Theme for solo clarinet (The Trench)	2:14
2 II. Allegro – Largo	8:40	9	V. Tanks	2:40
3 III. Allegro	5:14	10	VI. Mournful Waltz (Conclusion)	2:44
4 IV. Adagio	11:38	11	VII. Country House	3:09
The War Suite (1964/2011)* (ed. Elena Astafieva and Stanislav Prokudin)	30:12	12	VIII. The Swamp	2:21
5 I. Waltz (Farewell)	4:38	13	IX. Divarication	1:27
6 II. The Night Breakthrough (The High Road)	2:22	14	X. The Battle	3:37
		15	XI. Finale (Appointment)	1:50

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The Vanbrugh Quartet

Gregory Ellis, Violin I **1-7 9-15**

Keith Pascoe, Violin II **5-7 9-11** • Ioana Petcu-Colan, Violin II **1-4**

Simon Aspell, Viola **1-7 9-15** • Christopher Marwood, Cello **1-7 9-15**

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