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In this special holiday issue of our catalog, you’ll find a variety of features highlighting the finest recordings from the past several months and the year! It’s full of best-sellers, recommendations, new releases and gift ideas. Perhaps the most popular feature though is our extensive selection of Christmas music. Treat yourself to something fresh to hear this holiday season!

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Welcome to our 2018 holiday line-up!

**BACH 333 – The New Complete Edition [222 CDs + 1 DVD]**
Celebrating 90 years of recorded Bach, The Edition offers modern, historically informed, and period instrument performances. 333 years since the birth of J. S. Bach, the largest project of its kind in the history of recorded music is presented by DG in collaboration with Decca Classics, 30 other labels and the Leipzig Bach Archive. Each box set features over 280 hours of music from 750 performers and 32 labels including 10 hours of new recordings and 7 world premieres. (223 CD) (Deutsche Grammophon)

**Cecilia Bartoli - The Rossini Edition [15 CDs + 6 DVDs]**
Artists: Cecilia Bartoli, mezzo-soprano with various supporting artists. (15 CDs + 6 DVDs) (Decca) 21 DEC 4833936 $199.98
The first boxed set from the most successful classical artist of the present day in collaboration with Foundation Rossini. The complete recordings of Rossini by Cecilia Bartoli, celebrating her 30 years as an exclusive Decca Artist. Includes a previously unreleased recording of Salvatore Sciarrino’s orchestration of Giovanni d’Arco cantata with Riccardo Chailly, rediscovered in the Decca archives! Also comes with a 200 page hardcover book, facsimiles of original manuscripts and rare photos from the Decca archives.

**Mahler: 10 Symphonies / Rafael Kubelik, Bavarian Radio SO [11 CDs]**
Half a century after release, Rafael Kubelik’s recordings of Mahler’s symphonies still remain reference recordings of the repertoire. Kubelik passionately championed Mahler’s music when it was still unfashionable to do so. Now DG is making these recordings available for the first time on Blu-ray audio in 24 bit / 96 kHz, and om 10 CDs. An original jacket, this was the first Mahler cycle to be performed and recorded by a German orchestra.

**Rimsky-Korsakov: The Legend of the Invisible City of Kritzh [2 DVD]**
Artists: Alexander Vedernikov/Cagliari Theater Orch. & Chorus. Tatiana Monogarova; Mikhail Gubsky; Mikhail Kazakov; Mari Ka Gulordava (Naxos) (187 min; 16:9, Color; DTS 5.0) NXS 2110277 $42.99 $17.20
“These are murderously difficult roles, but Tatiana Monogarova is just about the only credible, physically beautiful and a creditably passionate actress.” -BBC Music Magazine
Jean Sibelius: Music for the Theatre [6 CDs]

Artists: Leif Segerstam / Turku PO. (6 CDs) (NAXOS (USA))

6 NXS 8506032
$31.99 On Sale

Parallel to his great sequence of symphonic masterpieces and tone poems, Jean Sibelius wrote a significant body of music for the theater. In fact, some of his most hauntingly beautiful music can be found in Belshazzar’s Feast.

España: Spanish Piano Works by Albeniz, Falla, Granados, Mompou, Turina [6 CDs]

Artists: Jean-François Heisser, (pno) (6 CDs) (Warner Classics)

6 WRNC 573650 $24.99

In the musical world of the late 19th and early 20th centuries, the interaction between Spain and France was close and fruitful. The works of such composers as Albeniz, Granados, Mompou, and Turina - colourful, sensual and haunting - have long fascinated the French pianist Jean-François Heisser.

New Boxed Sets for the Holidays!

The story of Deutsche Grammophon, founded in June 1898, in Hanover, goes back as far as the birth of recording itself. For 120 years as well as being home to the world’s greatest performers, the Yellow Label has been at the forefront of innovations in recording technology and in music experiences. This collection celebrates that heritage with a flagship boxed set of 120 CDs + 1 Bonus CD + 1 Blu-ray Audio disc illuminating 120 years of recording history, including many rare recordings released internationally for the first time and recordings newly digitized from historic shellac discs. (Deutsche Grammophon) 122 DG 4835268 $535.98

Carlos Kleiber - Complete Recordings on DG [12 CD + Blu-ray Audio]“Kleiber didn’t often go into the recording studio, but when he did the results were entirely unforgettable.” (BBC Music Magazine)

Kleiber’s complete recordings on Deutsche Grammophon comprises three CDs of orchestral works by Beethoven, Brahms and Schubert (Including his perennial best-selling Beethoven 5th & 6th symphonies recordings.) and four complete operas: Der Freischütz, Die Fledermaus, La Traviata and Tristan und Isolde, with all repertoire mastered to 24-bit on one Blu-ray Audio disc. (Deutsche Grammophon) 13 DG 4835498 $99.99

New Boxed Sets for  Winter ’18

Anne-Sophie Mutter: The Early Years [3 CDs +Blu-ray Audio]

Works: Mozart: Violin Concertos Nos. 3 & 5; Prokofiev: Sonata for solo violin, Op. 115; Violin Concertos of Beethoven, Mendelssohn & Bruch (No. 1) Artists: Herbert von Karajan/ Berlin PO

4 DG 4835340 $47.48

Herbert von Karajan called her “the greatest musical prodigy since the young Menuhin” – Anne-Sophie Mutter in turn praised Karajan for teaching her “to think the music through to its logical conclusion.” From their earliest recordings together in 1978, their musical partnership won universal acclaim.

Beethoven: The Complete String Quartets [7 CDs + Blu-ray Audio]

Artists: Amadeus Quartet (DG) 8 DG 4835645 $60.98

7 CDs + Blu-ray Audio mastered at 24-bit/192kHz presenting the complete String cycle recorded by one of the twentieth centuries most celebrated chamber ensembles. The Amadeus Quartet was under exclusive contract to Deutsche Grammophon for 23 years. The Beethoven cycle is perhaps the most fitting choice as a tribute to the ensemble.

Kegel Conducts Beethoven & Brahms [8 CDs]

Works: Beethoven: Symphonies 1-9; Triple Concerto; Choral Fantasia; Brahms: German Requiem Artists: Herbert Kegel/Dresdner PO; Leipzig RSO & Chorus (8 CD) (Capriccio)

8 CAP 7275 $35.99 On Sale

Made between 1982 and 1986, these recordings not only include Beethoven’s Nine Symphonies, but also works by Elgar, Stravinsky, Schmidt, Gluck and more, showing a well-rounded and extraordiarily talented interpreter.

Bernard Haitink & Staatskapelle Dresden [6 CDs]

Works: Bruckner: Symphony No. 8; Mozart: Symphony K504 ‘Prague’; Mahler: Symphony No. 2; Weber: ‘Oberon’ overture; Beethoven: Violin Concerto; Brahms: Symphonies No. 1 Artists: Bernard Haitink/Staatskapelle Dresden (6 CD) (Profil Edition)

6 PRC 14002 $33.49

On 22nd September 2018 the Staatskapelle Dresden celebrated its 470th jubilee. The orchestra was directed by Bernard Haitink from 2002 to 2004. Founded by Prince Elector Moritz von Sachsen in 1548, it is one of the oldest orchestras in the world and steeped in tradition.

Charles Munch, The Complete Recordings on Warner Classics [13 CDs]

These 13 CDs contain Munch’s entire Warner Classics catalogue, recordings made between a) 1935 and 1949 and b) 1955 and 1968. The repertoire on the 13 CDs is wide-ranging: from the Baroque era to the mid-20th century (Bach and Violon di Vullidi and Jolivet) and from core repertoire to rarities. The 78 rpm recordings here were Munch’s original complete delivery and they are available as numerous official premieres on CD. (13 CD) (Warner Classics) 13 WRNC 573813 $49.99

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J.S. Bach Masterworks - 33 Great Recordings [33 CDs]

J.S. Bach’s greatest Masterworks are presented in this 33 CD-Set. It contains 8 recordings of solo works, 10 recordings of orchestral pieces, and 5 recordings of sacred works. The recordings are by world-famous musicians such as Glenn Gould, Jan Vogler, Gustav Leonhardt, James Galway, Murray Perahia, Nikolaus Harnoncourt and other respected Bach interpreters, making this a highly valuable library acquisition. (33 CD) (Sony / RCA)

33 SBMG 19075870972 $54.99 On Sale

Jean-Philippe Rameau: Orchestral Suites [4 CDs]

Artists: Frans Bruggen/ Orch. of the Eighteenth Century. (4 CD) (Glossa)

4 GLS 921125 $29.49 On Sale From Les Boréades to Les Indes galantes, from Acante et Céphise to Zoroastre via Castor et Pollux, these suites taken together represent a pillar in the modern revival and appreciation of the music of Rameau, which was dear to the heart of Brüggen and so many of the other early music pioneers of his generation.

Wilhelm Kempff: Complete Schubert Solo Recordings [9 CD + Blu-ray Audio]

Artists: Wilhelm Kempff (pno) (Deutsche Grammophon)

10 DG 4835609 $74.98

...You are simultaneously made aware of a pianist who brought an Apollonian grace to even the fiercest Dionsyan pages of Beethoven and who, arguably, found his truest voice in Schubert. Kempff’s tonal sheen and translucence, his magical elixir, remain unique in the history of piano playing. – Gramophone.

New Boxed Sets for the Holidays!

For Lots of Christmas Music, see pages 8 – 13!

Great Podium Partnerships 8 CD Sets from DG

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Carlo Maria Giulini & The Vienna Philharmonic

Works: Brahms: Symphonies Nos. 1-4; Tragic Overture; ‘Haydn’ Variations; Bruckner: Symphonies Nos 7 & 9 8 DG 4835492 $39.98

“One can never tire of his profound and realization of this wonderful score, beautifully recorded, no detail overlooked, no texture smudged. Giulini lights the score from within....The Vienna Philharmonic is the Bruckner orchestra par excellence.” – Gramophone

Daniel Barenboim & Orchestre de Paris

Works: Berioz: Requiem; La Damnation de Faust; Symphonie Fantastique; Saint-Saens: Danse-Macabre; le Deluge; Samson et Dalila; Debussy: Images; Wagner: Gotterdammerung; Ravel: Daphnis et Chloe; et al.

8 DG 4835494 $39.98

“Barenboim is heard at his very finest in Debussy without loss of atmosphere he creates a high level of tension throughout all three Nocturnes. The Orchestre de Paris play splendidly throughout, rising to a passionate central climax for the Prélude à l’après-midi d’un faune.” – Gramophone

Seiji Ozawa & the Boston Symphony Orchestra

Works: by: Chabrier, Gounod, Offenbach, Faure, Mahler, Prokofiev, Respighi, Bartok, Shostakovich 8 DG 4835496 $39.98

“Ozawa’s 1977 Boston recording of Mahler’s First Symphony is alert and clear-sighted with a fine youthful sheen to it. It was also very vividly recorded.” - Gramophone

Neeme Jarvi & the Gothenburg Symphony

Works: Berwald: Symphonies Nos. 3 & 4; Nielsen: Symphonies Nos. 5 & 6; Sibelius: Symphonies Nos. 5 & 6; Stenhammar: Serenade for Orchestra Op. 31; Symphony No. 2 6 DG 4835490 $39.98

“The sound is superb...The playing throughout is as committed as one could wish: the orchestra which Nielsen often visited in the early part of the century have this music in their blood. They give their best for Neeme Jarvi.” - Gramophone

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Chamber reductions. It became a nursery for modern music, a place where the latest works of international artists: Gregor Piatigorsky, (cito); various artists; Boston SC; Berlin PO; et al. (36 CD) (Sony / RCA)

36 SBMG 1907583212 $75.99 On Sale
Sony Classical Collects the Great Cellist's Complete RCA and Columbia Recordings has been called the greatest string player of all time. His playing, which brought tears to the eyes of the immortal Fritz Kreisler, was noted for its exceptional technical control and wide range of expression. When Richard Strauss heard Gregor Piatigorsky perform with the Berlin Philharmonic, he exclaimed, 'Finally I have heard my Don Quixote as I imagined him.'

Shostakovich: Complete String Quartets; Piano Quintet [7 CDs]
Artists: Borodin Quartet (7 CD) (Decca) 7 DEC BO0290502 $74.98 The Borodin Quartet present the definitive 7-CD collection of Dmitri Shostakovich's works for String Quartet and the Piano Quintet. With over 7.5 hours of new recordings and unrivalled in their authority and authenticity, the Borodin Quartet have a unique, historical and personal connection to Shostakovich. This collection includes rarities such as the Borodin Quartet's debut recording of the 'Unfinished Quartet' and live recordings of Podrugi ('Girlfriends') Preludes for string quartet, trumpet and piano.

J.S. Bach: Clavier Übung I-IV, at the Organ [6 CDs]
Works: J.S. Bach: 6 Partitas; Italian Concerto; French Overture; Organ Mass; Goldberg Variations Artists: Hansjörg Albrecht (org) (6 CD) (Oehms)
6 OEH 020 $20.99 Hansjörg Albrecht is considered a fearless musical border crosser and an unorthodox performer. He consistently pursues his own path as a conductor - between the Baroque period and the present age, between the archives and new creations - and he has established himself amongst the virtuosi of his instrument with his organ transcriptions.

The Deutsche Grammophon Anniversary Edition [7 CDs]
As part of DG’s all-inclusive celebrations of its 120-year history, comes an accessible and concise collection of 120 tracks across 7 CDs: Chronologically ordered from the present back to 1898: this collection takes the listener on a journey through time, through a 120 years of classical music recording and interpretation, the perfect guide to Deutsche Grammophon’s iconic catalog. An unrivaled roster of brilliant artists shows the artistic range Deutsche Grammophon. (7 CD) (Deutsche Grammophon)
7 DGG 4835773 $45.99

Founder Günter Hänssler says: "For ten years, I have been releasing 'magical moments' of classical music on the PROFIL label, unforgettable concert experiences for audiences that still convey the same magic to listeners decades later - even on disc. With each recording I track down today, I ask myself whether it is worth placing it among the multitude of releases on the market." (15 CD) (Profil Edition Gunter Hänssler) 15 PRF 18084 $33.49

Olivier Messiaen: The Works for Orchestra
Works: Messiaen: Les Offrandes Oubliées; Turangaliya-Symphonie: La Transfiguration de Notre-Siegeur Jesus Christ; Des Cannons aux Étoiles; Extraits sur l’au-delà; et al. Artists: Yvonne Naef, (ma); Roger Muraro, (pno), et al. Sylvain Cambreling/SWR SO Baden-Baden (8 CD) (SWR Music)
8 SWRM 19421 $45.99 "I can probably say that my preference is for colorfully resplendent, refined, even voluptuous music, a kind of music that is familiar with tenderness and vehemence, love and impetuosity... a kind of music that knows about unmistakable gestures, that exudes a scent never before perceived, like a restless bird..." - Olivier Messiaen

Piano Masterpieces / Shura Cherkassky [10 CDs]
Works by Liszt, Mozart, Tchaikovsky, Mussorgsky, Berg, Chopin, Prokofiev, Stravinsky, Rachmaninov, Brahms, Schumann, Mendelssohn, Grieg, Barber, et al. Artists: Shura Cherkassky (pno); Herbert von Karajan/Berlin PO; Adrian Boult/London PO (10 CD) (Profil Edition Gunter Hänssler)
10 PRF 18037 $40.49 Shura Cherkassky was noted among 20th century pianists for his wayward temperament. Even in old age, he still showed himself in full possession of seemingly effortless power. His extensive repertoire ranged the styles and the centuries. He loved the concert life, and he was a lifelong traveller.

The Rossini Edition [34 CDs]
Artists: Maria Callas; Cecilia Bartoli; Joyce Didonato; Anna Netrebko; Montserrat Caballe; Marilyn Horne; Beverly Sills; Christa Ludwig; et al. (34 CD) (Warner Classics) 34 WRNC 574311 $97.99 Marking 150 years since the composer’s passing, the Rossini Edition is the most comprehensive collection devoted to Rossini ever produced. It includes: 13 complete operas including well-known as well as absolute rarities - The Rossini Gala, the legendary “all stars” concert from Lincoln Center in 1992 - 5 complete recitals, including the recent one by Joyce DiDonato and two very sought after recitals by Rockwell Blake - A collection of operatic and opera arias - 3 sacred works - Clarinet, chamber and piano among other rarities.

Trio Sonatas Through Two Centuries [8 CDs]
Works by: Works by Gibbons, Lawes, Purcell, Handel, Avison, Arne, Lully, Marais, Couperin, de Boismortier, Vivaldi, Telemann, Castelli, Corelli et al. Artists: London Baroque (8 CD) (BIS Sweden) 8 BIS 9050 $52.49 On Sale
The customary addition of a figured bass part played on a harpsichord or organ around 1600 meant that middle parts of solo contrapuntal style could be excluded and chamber music soon began to favor the trio sonata texture. 150 years later, with the string quartet, the process was reversed as the viola took over the middle ground previously occupied by the keyboard.
Music for Christmas

Christmas Music, New & Top-Selling!  
Top-Selling Christmas Albums of 2017!

**Christmas Carols of Vaughan Williams**
- **Works:** Song of the crib; The Salutation Carol; How far is it to Bethlehem; Hereford Carol; While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks By Night; On Christmas Day
- **Artists:** Owain A. Hughes/Cardiff Festival Choir. (1 CD) (Griffin)

**Joy of the World - Famous Christmas Songs**
- **Works:** Joy to the World
- **Artists:** Hark! The Herald Angels Sing, Cantique de Noel, In the Bleak Midwinter, Silent Night

**A Vaughan William Christmas**
- **Works:** Eight Traditional English Carols; Two Carols; Carols from The Oxford Book of Carols; Nine Carols for Male Voices

**The Many Moods of Christmas / Robert Shaw, Atlanta SO & Chorus**
- **Works:** Robert Russell Bennett (1894-1981): The Many Moods of Christmas, suites for chorus & orchestra nos 1 - 4 (1 CD) (Telarc)

**Raunächte: The Twelve Nights after Christmas**

**A Renaissance Christmas / The Sixteen**
- **Works:** Christmas Cantata; Peace on Earth; Christmas Comes; Bring us a gift of gold; A Vaughan Williams Christmas; A Pale Horse

**Christmas With the Septura Brass Septet**
- **Works:** Christmas Song; Christmas Medley; Christmas Suite; In the Bleak Midwiter; Esist ein Ros entsprungen; The First Nowell

**Christmas With Canterbury Cathedral Girls Choir**
- **Works:** O Come All Ye Faithful; O Holy Night; Hark the Herald Angels Sing; Away in a Manger; Carol of the Bells; All is Still on Christmas Night; In the Bleak Midwinter; Heaven Responds at Bethlehem (1 CD) (Decca)

**Joel & Lewis**
- **Works:** Messiah: No. 32; Three Carol Refrains; Multi-Part Carol Mix; Christmas Medley; Christmas Suite; The Messiah: No. 88

**Joy of the World**
- **Artists:** John Rutter, The Choir of King’s College, Cambridge

**The Twelve Nights after Christmas**
- **Works:** Seasonal music by John Rutter, Ola Gjeilo, Joan Szymko, Wilhelm Nagel, Carrter Bresgen, Einar Mendelssohn et al.

**Christmas With the Sixteen**
- **Works:** Christmas Cantata; Peace on Earth; Christmas Comes; Bring us a gift of gold; A Vaughan Williams Christmas; A Pale Horse

**Music for Christmas with the King’s Singers**
- **Works:** Es ist ein Ros entsprungen; The Little Drummer Boy; Silent Night; The Coventry Carol; Gaudeite; Joy to the World; Deck the Halls; The Wexford Carol et al.

**Angels - Christmas with the Great Sopranos**
- **Works:** Carols from Christmas 2017

**Revels Christmas in Wales / The Christmas Revels**
- **Works:** Traditional music, dance tunes, carols and anthems from Wales

**Berlin Philharmonic - The Christmas Album II**
- **Works:** Music of Bach, Corelli, Locatelli, Manfredini, Pachelbel, Torelli, Vivaldi

**Libera Angels Sing Christmas in Ireland**
- **Works:** Libera (1 CD) (Warner Classics)

**Music for Christmas Arts Festival**
- **Works:** The Sixteen: Christmas Cantata; Peace on Earth; Christmas Comes; Bring us a gift of gold; A Vaughan Williams Christmas; A Pale Horse

**Christmas With the King’s Singers**
- **Works:** Es ist ein Ros entsprungen; The Little Drummer Boy; Silent Night; The Coventry Carol; Gaudeite; Joy to the World; Deck the Halls; The Wexford Carol et al.

**In dulci jubilo: Music for the Christmas Season by Buxtehude & Friends**
- **Works:** Works by Scheidemann, Geist; J. C. Bach; Buxtehude; Reineck; Tunder; Septura Brass Septet (1 CD) (Naxos)

**Angels - Christmas with the Great Sopranos**
- **Works:** Carols from Christmas 2017
Veni Domine: Advent & Christmas At The Sistine Chapel
**Works:** Music of Pérotin, Desprez, Palestina, Nanino, Mouton, Victoria, Allegri, Clemens non Papa et al. **Artists:** Massimo Palombella/Sistine Chapel Choir (1 CD) (Deutsche Grammophon)
**DGG B002753902 $18.98**

The “marvelous” (New York Times) Sistine Chapel Choir releases its first holiday album! This release features Gregorian chant and works from composers ranging from Dunay to Allegri, including a piece featuring mezzo-soprano Cecilia Bartoli, Pérôtin’s “Beata viscera Mariae Virginis.”

**Verbum Caro Factum Est, A Christmas Christmas**

**Greeting**

**Works:** Silent Night; The First Noel; Veni, Veni Emmanuel; Three Carols; Hark! The Herald Angels Sing; In Dulci Jubilo; Adeste Fideles; et al. **Artists:** Masato Suzuki, (org.)/Seekh Collegium Japan Chorus (10 CDs) (Sony BMG)
**BIS 2291 $17.99 On Sale**

This album has been endorsed by Their Excellencies JOSEPH, Antiochian Orthodox Archbishop of New York and Metropolitan of all North America, and GERMASIOS, Greek Orthodox Metropolitan of San Francisco.

**Nativitas - Christmas Carols of Old Europe**

**Works:** Christmas Songs of Old Europe; Bohemian and Moravian Christmas Carols **Artists:** Bohemia Singers (1 CD) (Ariadne Tonbruch)
**SPR 4244 $17.99 On Sale**

“Nativitas” - Christmas Carols of Old Europe celebrates the nativity and the birth of Jesus Christ. This album includes traditional Christmas carols from Bohemia, Moravia, and neighboring countries, offering a glimpse into the rich musical heritage of these regions during the festive season.

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**Our Christmas Sequence**

**Works:** Christmas Music from Bach, Vaughan Williams, Tchaikovsky, Brahms, Holst et al. **Artists:** John Scott/The Choir of St. Paul’s Cathedral. **Artists:** (1 CD) (Musical Concepts) **MSLC 1325 $12.99**

Few ‘standard carols’ but rather a disc to widen your choice of beautiful Christmas music including the magical Christmas Sequence, plus ‘Fantasy on Carols’ Sussex Mummers’ Carol,’ ‘Sleepers Awake,’ ‘A Maid Peerless,’ ‘New Year Carol,’ ‘Bach, Dufay’ and ‘Christmas Day’. (18 tracks)

**Jesu, Joy Of Man’s Desiring: Christmas With The Dominican Sisters Of Mary**

**Works:** Christmas songs of the earth. **Artists:** The American Horn Quartet **Music for Christmas**

**Learn It Snow / The King's Singers**

**Works:** Let It Snow! Winter: Largo; Es ist ein Ros’ entsprungen; Jingle Bells; What Child Is This?; Adagio; Baby, It's Cold Outside; Alei Nein; Little Drummer Boy; The Nutcracker; Carol of the Bells; Serenade d'hiver; She Moved Through the Fair et al. **Artists:** The King’s Singers. Albrecht Mayer (Oboe d'amore) (1 CD) (Deutsche Grammophon)
**DGG B001966502 $23.98**

“More cheese than a Wensleydale-and-craberry sandwich, then, but it’s all done with bags of pa-nache and good humour - the perfect tree-deecressing or present-wrapping soundtrack.” - All Music Guide

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**Music for Christmas with Brass**

**Best Sellers!**

**Christmas Around the World / Burning River Brass**

**Works:** Works by Simon Willis; Percy Grainger; J.S. Bach; Marcel Dupré; Franz Gruber; Anthony DiLorenzo; William Kirkpatrick **Artists:** Burning River Brass. (1 CD) (Azica) **AZI 1317 $16.99**

Since 1996, Burning River Brass has been dazzling audiences from Alaska to Taiwan with “power and virtuosity,” “harmonious blend,” and “consistently stirring performances.” Composed of twelve of the finest brass and percussion players in the country, Burning River Brass is an ensemble on fire.

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**In Dulci Jubilo - Christmas with the London Brass**

**Works:** Es ist ein Ros’ entsprungen; Silent Night; Coventry Carol; Away in a Manger; Joy to the World; The First Nowell et al. **Artists:** London Brass (Warner Classics) **WRNC 564143 $13.99**

Many of the melodies here are Christmas evergreens - such as Es ist ein Ros’ entsprungen, which owes its popularity to the arrangement by Michael Praetorius, a composer who lived when the ceremonial use of brass instruments reached its zenith.

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**A Festival of Carols in Brass / Philadelphia Brass Ensemble**

**Works:** O holy Night; Silent Night; We three kings; Joy to the World! The herald angels sing; Traditional carols & much more! **Artists:** Philadelphia Brass Ens. (1 CD) (Sony Classical) **SNYC 7033 $9.99 On Sale**

Simple, unadorned arrangements let the beauty of these carols speak for themselves through the ensemble’s virtuosic performances.

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**‘Twelve Days of Christmas’ / The King’s Men**

**Works:** by: Irving Berlin, Bing Crosby, Joan Javits, Johnny Marks, Hugh Martin, Paul McCartney, Tony Springer, Mel Torme, Robert Weil & more. **Artists:** The King’s Men (1 CD) (King’s College) **KING 0017 $15.99**

Unlike many close harmony groups, The King’s Men record together, balancing their voices acoustically instead of tracking each voice individually, resulting in stronger musical cohesion.

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**Christmas Flutes - Traditional Carols**

**Works:** Joy to the World; The First Noel; Away in a Manger; Jingle Bells; What Child Is This? Silent Night; In the Bleak Midwinter et al. **Artists:** University of Georgia Flutes (1 CD) (Mark Custom Recording) **MKCR 52700 $12.99**

This new release will add flair to your holiday season! The UGA Flute Studio is composed of undergraduate and graduate level students from across the country and abroad.

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**Riemiaukamme! Let Us Rejoice!**

**Works:** Bach, Sibelius, Berlioz, Sibelius, Madetoja, Karvonén, Sonninén, Rautavaara et al. **Artists:** Nils Schwenckedel/Helsinki Chamber Choir. (1 SA Hybrid CD) (BIS) **BIS 2322 $17.99 On Sale**

“Schwenckedel’s immaculately blended singers make a glorious noise, their clear diction never obscured by the warm church acoustic. Other treats include Armas Maasalo’s “Christmas Bells” and several songs by Sibelius.” - The Arts Desk
Christmas Music, New & Top-Selling!

Christmas in Belgium with Organ & Bagpipes!

Christmas in Belgium with Organ & Bagpipes!

Artists: Jean-Pierre Van Hees, bagpipes; Luc Ponet, organ; Consorella; Trio Musa (1 CD) (Pavane)

PVN 7583 $14.99

The organ’s multiple registrations effectively put several families of instruments into the hands of a single player. This may be one of the reasons why these two instruments have rarely been combined in performance, even though their sonorities go together surprisingly well, to the point that the bagpipes sometime sound like an organ stop.

Carols for a Victorian Christmas

Works: Cantique de Noel; The Mistletoe Bow; Sleep, Holy Babe; Good King Wenceslas; The Wassail Song; O come all ye faithful; Churc Bells et al.

Artists: Martin Souter/Choir of Magdelen College, Oxford; Fine Arts Brass Ensemble; Harrogate Choral Society (1 CD) (Gift of Music)

GOM 1292 $16.99

This recording assembles a variety of Christmas music from Victorian England from the sounds of street musicians to drawing room songs, from mechanical instruments and organs to bells and church choirs.

‘December’s Rose’

Works by: Calvin Hampton; Vernon Hoyle; Heathcote Statham; Ned Rorem; Michael McGough; Bob Chilcott; Max Reger; John Ireland; Philip Wilby; Stephen Patus; Thomas Tallis; et al.

Artists: Brady Knapp/University of St. Thomas Singers (1 CD) (Gothic Records)

GTHC 49312 $18.99

Repertoire from the popular Lesson and Carols at University of St. Thomas, with readings and music for both Advent and Christmas, is presented here, with David Ashley White’s anthem, “Hodie Christus Natus Est” receiving its recording premier.

Dresden Christmas Works

Works: Music by Mendelssohn, Bach, Fletcher, et al.

Artists: Matthias Grunert/Chamber Choir of Frauenkirche, Dresden; Martin Flitner/Dresden Kreuzchor; Dresden PO (1 CD) (Rendez-vous Production)

RAU 6159 $18.99

This collection opens with “Vom Himmel hoch, da komen ich her” by Felix Mendelssohn, performed by the famous Dresdner Kreuzchor together with the Dresden Philharmonic.

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Artists: Michael Culo/Knabenchor collegium iuvenum Stuttgart (Boys Choir) (1 CD) (Carus)

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Artists: Tannenbaum, A Virgin most famed for her exceptionally clear soprano voice, born in Bethlehem. “Setting the standard for Gregorian performance.” (American Record Guide)

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Artists: Gretchen Kuhrmann/Chorals; The Classical Brass Quintet; Cantus Primo Youth Choir (1 CD) (Signum Records)

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O Holy Night: A Merton Christmas

Painting of a church interior.

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The Romantic Piano Concerto, Vol. 74

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**Beethoven: Piano Sonatas / Schnabel [8 CDs]**
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The Romantic Piano Concerto, Vol. 73

**Miles Davis / The Final Tour: The Bootleg Series, Vol. 6 [4 CDs]**
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Showcasing the musical chemistry shared by Miles and Trane at the peak of their collective powers.Recorded in support of Kind of Blue, the best-selling jazz album of all time. Concerts from Paris, Copenhagen and Stockholm.

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4 EEN4CD9144 $17.99

The great Miles Davis’ work paved the way for a number of major developments in the jazz idiom, from cool jazz and hard bop to jazz fusion.

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- Artists: Terry Gibbs & Buddy DeFranco Quartet

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Chords: D G C F

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The Romantic Piano Concerto Vol. 75

Works by: J.S. Bach, Beethoven, Brahms, Chopin, Debussy, Delibes, Dvorák, Elgar, Fauré, Gounod, Ravel; Saint-Saëns, Schubert et al.

2 TMLF 24742 $13.99

This Alsatian-born conductor’s mercurial temperament was uniquely suited to the composer’s stark, abrupt changes of affect, which juxtaposes passages of febrile intensity with others of simple, aching lyricism. He effectively plays up the pictorial variety of Berlioz’s brilliant orchestral palette...— ClassicsToday.

Orchestral Works of Jennifer Higdon

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OJC OJCCD138 $13.98

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CHSC CRD207 $13.99

"This CD finds Krupa in good form, and the drummer’s many health problems don’t prevent him from playing with a lot of enthusiasm on swing era classics like “Sing, Sing, Sing,” “Don’t Be That Way,” “Take the ‘A’ Train,” and “Undecided.”—All Music
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William Alwyn: Piano Music Vol 2
Works: William Alwyn (1905-85): Cinderella; Contes Bar-bares; Hunter’s Moon; Irish Pieces (2); Movements (3); Night Thoughts
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Garcia Abril: Madre Asturias - a collection of Austrian Songs
Works: Anton Garcia Abril (b.1903): 14 Songs for Tenor & Piano
Artists: Rosa Torres-Pardo (Pno); Joaquín Piñay (Ten)
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Busoni regarded his ‘Elegien’ as the point where he discovered his true identity as a composer.

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NXS 8572748 $11.99 $4.80
“The performances and sound are very good.” -American Record Guide

Handel: Acis and Galatea
Artists: Gerard Schwarz/Seattle Symphony & Chorale. Dawn Kotoski, Sop; David Gordon, Tnr; Glann Siebert, Tnr; Jan Opolach, bass (2 CD)
NXS 8572745 $24.99 $8.80
Acis and Galatea is a delectable succession of pastoral airs, love-lorn lyrics, and sprightly or mourning choruses.

Sergio Rendine (b.1954): Passio et Resurrection
Artists: Marzio Conti/Marcu-no di Chieti Theater Chorus. Damasina Pinti (Mz); Nando Citarella (Voice); Gabrielle Di Iorio (Flt); Pierpaolo Perocchelli (Sax); Maurizio Tripelli (Perc)
NXS 8557733 $11.99 $4.80
“I think if you are a huge fan of Leonard Bernstein’s Mass or perhaps pieces like the ‘Missa Luna’ or ‘Misa Criolla’, ‘this is exactly what you need for your collection...” -Fanfare

Rihm: Complete Works for Violin & Piano
Works: Wolfgang Rihm: Antlitz; Eine Violinsonate; Hekton; Phantom und Eskapade; ëber der Linie
Artists: Saburo Moroi (1903 – 1977): Sinfonietta
NXS 8572730 $13.97 $5.59
“... Moroi’s music deserves to be heard, and this disc serves as a fine and welcome introduction.” - Fanfare

Orchestral Music of Kara Karayev
Works: Kara Karayev (1918-82): Don Quixote; Leyli and Majdun, symphonic poem; Symphony no 3
Artists: Dmitry Yablonsky/Russian PO
NXS 8570720 $43.97 $5.59
A pupil of Shostakovich, Kara Karayev had a highly expressive, individual style infused with the harmonies and melodic characteristics of the music of his native Azerbaijan.

Moro: Symphony no 3
NXS 8571622 $14.97 $5.59
“... Moroi’s music deserves to be heard, and this disc serves as a fine and welcome introduction.” - Fanfare

D’Anglebert: Suites for Harpsichord nos 1-4
Artists: Elizabeth Farr (Hpsi and Lute Hpsi) (2 CD)
NXS 8570472 $24.99 $8.80
Jean-Henry D’Anglebert’s (1629-91) music is intricately sophisticated while at the same time serenely beautiful, with four suites, here played on the lute and the lute-harpischord.
Uncommon Opera Recommendations

**Tchaikovsky: Eugene Onegin / Ermol [2 DVD]**
*Artists:* Mark Ermol/ Bolshoi Theatre Orch. & Chorus. Nikolay Baskov; Maria Gavrilova; Alk Martirosyan (TDK) (157 min.; 4:3. Color; DTS 5.1 Surround) 2 TDK OPEON $32.99 $13.20

**Rimsky-Korsakov: The Legend of the Invisible City of Kitezh [2 DVD]**
*Artists:* Alexander Vedernikov/ Caglioni Theater Orch. & Chorus. Tatiana Monogarova; Mikhail Gubsky; Mikhail Kazarov; Mariika Gulordava (Naxos) (187 min; 16:9, Color; DTS 5.0) 2 NXS 2110277 $49.99 $17.20

"These are incredibly difficult roles, but Tatiana Monogarova is just about the best Fervonia I've seen, vocally clear and sturdy, if a little unvarying, physically beautiful and a credibly passionate actress." - BBC Music Magazine

**Richard Strauss: Ariadne auf Naxos [DVD]**
*Artists:* MaGe, Mosuc, Sacca, Volle, Breed; Christoph von Dohnányi/Zurich Opera Orch. Michael Volle; Michelle Breed; Emily Magee (TDK) (127 min.; Color) TDK OPAAN $32.99 $13.20

"Ariadne auf Naxos" is certainly the most artistically refined product of the creative partnership between the poet Hugo von Hofmannshahl and Richard Strauss.

**Rossini: La Cambiale di matrimonio [DVD]**
*Artists:* Rossini: La Cambiale di matrimonio [DVD] Color; PCM Stereo)

**Verbier Festival 2012: Gábor Takácz-Nagy [DVD]**
*Artists:* Beethoven: Symphony no 5; W.A. Mozart: Symphony no 25 *Artists:* Gábor Takácz-Nagy/Verbier Festival CO (1 DVD-Video) (EuroArts) (51 min.; 16:9, Color; PCM Stereo) EUA 3079946 $27.99 $11.97

"The Verbier Festival is one of the most prestigious classical music events in the world, and in 2013 the festival celebrated its 20th anniversary. This DVD highlights scenes from the 2012 festival with Gabor Takacz-Nagy conducting.

**Music Meets Business [DVD]**
*Artists:* Angelika Kirchschlager; Brandford Marsalis; Orpheus Chamber Orchestra (1 DVD-Video) (EuroArts) (60 min.; Color; DTS 5.1 Surround) EUA 2051837 $17.99 $7.20

"This film demonstrates how the famous Orpheus Chamber Orchestra brings its unique management model to the business world. This unbiased documentary demonstrates how the 'Orpheus Process' is understood and applied from the classroom to the corporate boardroom.

**A concert highlights and documentary film about Schumann at Pier2 [DVD]**
*Artists:* Paavo Järvi/Deutsche Kammerphilharmonie Bremen (C Major Video) CME 712018 $59.99 $11.97

"Presenting music familiar to us coming from lavish concert halls, Paavo Järvi and Deutsche Kammerphilharmonie Bremen set Schumann’s four symphonies in a dockside warehouse normally used for rock concerts. Includes a bonus documentary.

**Proms: Unesco Concert for Peace [DVD]**
*Artists:* Mahler: Symphony no 6 “Tragic”; Roxanna Panufnik (1968 - ); Three Paths to Peace; R. Strauss: Die Frau ohne Schatten, Symphonic Fantasia *Artists:* Georg Solti/World Orch. for Peace; Valery Gergiev (C Major Video) (151 min.; 16:9, Color; DTS 5.1)

CME 730108 $59.99 $13.20

The World Orchestra for Peace is a classical super-group consisting of leading players from the world’s finest orchestras. Beside the concert, a fascinating documentary with Sir Georg Solti and Valery Gergiev marks the orchestra itself’s 20th anniversary.

**Jose Serebrier Conducts NVO of Spain [DVD]**
*Artists:* Bizet: L’Arlesienne Suite; Mussorgsky: Night on Bare Mountain; Pictures at an Exhibition; José Serebrier: Symphony no 3; Wagner: Die Meistersinger, overture *Artists:* José Serebrier/National Youth Orch. of Spain (Naxos) (84 min.; Color; Stereo) NXS 2110230 $27.99 $11.97

Filmed in Chester Cathedral during the National Youth Orchestra of Spain’s 2007 European tour, this concert features Leopold Stokowski’s inimitable and colorful transcriptions of Mussorgsky’s “Pictures at an Exhibition.”

**The Odeonsplatz Concert / Villazon [DVD]**
*Artists:* Arias by Verdi, Wagner, Massenet; Artists: Rolando Villazón (ten); Thomas Hampson (bar); Yannick Nézet-Séguin/Bavarian RSO & Chorus (C Major Video) (111 min.; 16:9; Color; DTS 5.1)

CME 716708 $27.99 $11.97

This outdoor concert stars tenor Rolando Villazon and baritone Thomas Hampson in a program of popular arias and duets, mostly by Verdi and Wagner, with the Bavarian Radio conducted by Yannick Nézet-Séguin.

**“Voices of Our Time”**

*Soprano Dawn Upshaw with Gilbert Kalish, piano [DVD]**

Dawn Upshaw’s song recital, documented on this DVD, took place in January 2000 in the Theatre des Chatelet in Paris and reflect 20th century French and American music with works by Bolcom, Harbison, Saaraho, Crumb Ives and Messiaen. (TDK) (91 min.; 16:9; Color; DTS 5.1 Surround) TDK VTDU $27.99 $11.97

**Soprano Felicity Lott with Graham Johnson, piano [DVD]**

This program of Felicity Lott and Graham Johnson, “Night and Sky”, contains 24 songs from 24 different composers for the 24 hours of the day. The evening’s songs alternate back and forth between Britain, France and Germany. (TDK) (91 min.; 16:9; Color; DTS 5.1 Surround) TDK VTFI $27.99 $11.97

**Mezzo-Soprano Grace Bumbry with Helmut Deutsch, piano [DVD]**

Bumbry arranged this Paris recital in memory of her teacher, the legendary Lotte Lehmann. It included songs she had studied with Lehmann and songs that Lehmann enjoyed hearing her sing. Includes short interviews with Bumbry. (TDK) (91 min.; 16:9; Color; DTS 5.1 Surround) TDK VTGB $27.99 $11.97

**Soprano Sylvia McNair with Roger Vignoles, piano [DVD]**

Sylvia McNair’s program is centered on John Corigliano’s Mr. Tambourine Man and Six Poems by Bob Dylan with songs by Duparc, Fauré, Messiaen, Satie, Ravel, Debussy, de Falla and Mozart at the Theatre des Chatelet in 2000. (TDK) (81 min.; 16:9, Color; DD 5.1 Surround) TDK VTSN $27.99 $11.97
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The Winners Followed by the Runners-Up

Chamber

Dvořák: Quintets, Op. 81 & 97

Works: Dvořák: Piano Quintet, Op. 81; String Quintet, Op. 87
Artists: Boris Giltburg, piano; Pavel Nikl, viola; Pavel Haas Quartet. (1 CD) 
(Supraphon)

SPR 4195 $17.99 On Sale

Pavel Haas Quartet is at home in Dvořák’s music – to quote the Sunday Times, “In this repertoire, they are simply matchless today.”

- Hans Abrahamsen (b.1952): String Quartets Nos. 1-4 - Arđiti String Quartet (Winter & Winter)

WNWN 910242 $18.99

- Bartók: Complete String Quartets - Health Quartet (Harmonia Mundi)

2 HAR 907661 $28.49

- Brahms: String Sextets - Renaud Capuçon; Gérard Caussé; Clemens Hagen; Christoph Koncz (Warner)

WRNC 560466 $16.99

- Debussy: Sonatas & Trios - Bertrand Chamayou, piano; Emmanuel Pahud, flute; Renaud Capuçon, violin; Edgar Moreau, cello; Gerard Caussé, viola (Warner)

WRNC 565142 $16.99

- Grandissima Gravita’ - Works for Violin & co by Pisendel, Tartini, Veracini, Vivaldi / Rachel Podger; Brecon Baroque (Channel)

CCS 39217 $21.49

Choral

- Alfred Schnittke & Arvo Pärt: Choral Works

Works: Schnittke: Psalms of Repentance, Pärt: Magnificat; Nunc Dimittis

Dortmunder Kammerorchester, Axel Harleman, conductor. (Bruckner) 
2 BR 1030 $37.99

- Magnificat by J.S., J.C. & C.P.E. Bach - Joëlle Harvey, Olivia Vermeulen, Iestyn Davies, Thomas Walker, Thomas Bauer; Arcangelo (Hyperion)

HYP 68157 $19.99

- Charles Gounod: Sacred Cantatas - Brussels PO; Flemish Radio Choir, Hervé Niquet (Editions Harmonia Mundi)

2 PTE 5186602 $29.99 On Sale

- Rachmaninov: The Bells; Symphonic Dances - Richard Rittelmann, Marie-Nicole Lemieux, Stéphane Degout, Michael Spyres, Joyce DiDonato. Strasbourg PO & Choir; John Nelson (Bonus 85 min. high-light DVD) (4 CD) (Warner)

4 WRNC 564866 $31.99

- Elliott Carter (1908-2012): Late Works - Pierre-Laurent Aimard, piano; Isabelle Faust, violin; Oliver Knussen/BBC SO (Ondine)

OND 1296 $16.99

Early Music


102286 $28.99

- Vivaldi: The Four Seasons; Concerto No. 4 - Riccardo Chailly, Parma PO (4 CD) (Harmonia Mundi)

102286 $28.99

- Brett Dean (b.1961): Dramatis Personae - Guillaume Lekeu, conductor; orchestra of the National Academy of Liege; James Bay, piano (Harmonia Mundi)

HYP 7342 $19.99

Contemporary

- String Quartets of Pascal Dusapin

Works: Dusapin: Quatuor VI ‘Hin terland’; Quatuor VII ‘Open Time’ - Pascal Dusapin: French Radio PO (1 CD) (Aeon)

AEQ 1753 $18.99

“Both pieces reaffirm Dusapin’s musical language, a voice that combines clear melodic structures with an often mysterious harmony.” - Gramophone

- Brett Dean: Dramatis Personae - Guillaume Lekeu, conductor; orchestra of the National Academy of Liege; James Bay, piano (Harmonia Mundi)

HYP 7342 $19.99


- Valentín Silvestrov (b.1937): Hieroglyphen der Nacht - Anja Lechner, cello; Agnés Vesterød, violin (ECM)

ECM B002726202 $23.98


NMC 234 $18.99

- Mark-Anthony Turnage: Dreams - Orchestra of the Age of Enlightenment; Richard Egarr. (1 CD) (Hyperion)

HYR 202230 $19.99

- Monteverdi: The Other Vespers - music of Monteverdi, Castello, Frescobaldi Gabrielli, Palestrina, Usser, Viadana / I Fagiolini, Robert Hollingworth (Decca)

DEC B002649902 $17.98

- John Adams: The Wound-Dancer - Icelandic Clear Voice Choir; Philip Sheppard, conductor. (2 CD) (Harmonia Mundi)

HYP 902230 $19.99

- Tchaikovsky: Symphony No. 6 ‘Pathétique’ - MusicAeterna Orchestra, Teodor Currentzis (Sony)

BMG 88875130192 $13.99 On Sale

- Stravinsky: Music for Two Pianos - Denes Agay, pianos (Harmonia Mundi)

HYP 68189 $19.99

Instrumental

- Pianists Arcadi Volodos Plays Brahms

Works: Brahms: Intermezzi, Op. 117; Pieces (6), Op. 118; Pieces (8), Op. 76 (1 CD) - Laurent Aimard, piano (PentaTone)

SBMG 88875130192 $13.99 On Sale

- James O’Donnell; The Choir of Westminster Abbey; Simon McPhee; BBC Sound of Wales (BIS) - ‘Four Pieces - Four Pianos’ - Schubert, Chopin, Liszt, Stravinsky on historic instruments: Alexander Melnikov, piano (Harmonia Mundi)

HAR 902299 $18.99

- Pierre-Laurent Aimard, piano; Isabelle Faust, violin; Oliver Knussen/BBC SO (Ondine)

OND 1296 $16.99

- Mendelssohn: Symphonies 1-5 - Yannick Nézet-Séguin; Co of Europe: Fairmeker, Klosters (DG)

3 DGG B002675602 $38.98

- Tchaikovsky: Piano Concerto No. 1 - Evgeny Kissin, piano; London SO & Chorus; Sir John Eliot Gardiner. (2 CD) (Harmonia Mundi)

HYP 70710 $19.99

Orchestral

- Ravel: Daphnis & Chloé, Complete Ballet

Artists: François-Xavier Roth/Les Siècles. Marion Ralincourt (Flt) (1 CD) (Harmonia Mundi)

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- Elliott Carter (1908-2012): Late Works - Pierre-Laurent Aimard, piano; Isabelle Faust, violin; Oliver Knussen/BBC SO (Ondine)

OND 1296 $16.99

- Mendelssohn: Symphonies 1-5 - Yannick Nézet-Séguin; Co of Europe: Fairmeker, Klosters (DG)

3 DGG B002675602 $38.98

- Tchaikovsky: Symphony No. 6 ‘Pathétique’ - MusicAeterna Orchestra, Teodor Currentzis (Sony / RCA)

SBMG 88895404352 $13.99 On Sale

- Michael Tippett: Symphonies Nos. 1 & 2 - BBC Scottish SO, Martyn Brabbins (Hyperion)

HYP 68203 $19.99

- Rossini: William Tell Overture - Avanti Singers, Rafael de Larios, conductor. (1 CD)

MM 25656 $19.99

- Beethoven: Symphony No. 6 - Christian Thielemann, Staatskapelle Dresden (Decca)

DEA 2536 $19.99

- Dvořák: Symphony No. 9 ‘From the New World’ - Boston SO; James Conlon. (2 CD) (Deutsche Grammophon)

DG D940049020 $37.99
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Recital 'Agitato', sacred music, motets & cantata arias
Artists: Delphine Galou, contralto; Ottavio Dantone, Accademia Bizantina (1 CD) (Alpha)
AHP 371 $18.99
“Galou is a perfect singer to introduce us to this music, thanks to an agile and comfortable technique... A lovely disc of discoveries.” - Gramophone
Italian Baroque Music: Carnevale 1729 - Ann Hallenberg, mz; Stefano Montanari: il pomo d'oro (PentaTöne)
2 PTE 518676 $26.99 On Sale
Espoir, Arias by Rossini, Donizetti, Verdi, Auber, Berlioz, et al - Michael Spyres, tenor; Carlo Rizzi, The Halle (Opera Rara)
OPR 251 $18.99
Echo, Arias by Donizetti, Meyerbeer, Rossini, Berlioz, et al - Giovanni Agus, tenor; Marco Rizzi, piano (Opera Rara)
OPR 252 $18.99
Mirages - Songs by Delibes, Berlioz, Debussy, Stravinsky, Thomas et al. - Sabine Devieilhe, sop; Marianne Crebassa, mz; Alexandre Tharaud, pno; Les Siècles (Warner)
WRNC 555160 $16.99
Visions, Opera Arias - Veronica Gens, sop; Hervé Niquet; Münchener Rundfunk Orchester (Alpha Productions)
AHP 279 $20.99 $18.99

Solo Vocal 'Secrets' - French songs / Marianna Crebassa
Songs by: Debussy, Ravel, Fauré, Duparc, Fazil Say
Artists: Marianne Crebassa, mz; Fazil Say, piano (1 CD) (Warner)
WRNC 564483 $16.99
“the combination of intelligence, immediacy and subtlety is utterly compelling and marks ‘Secrets’ out as one of the finest French recitals of recent years. I cannot recommend it too highly.” - Gramophone
Claude Debussy: Songs, Vol. 4 - Lucy Crowe, sopr; Iestyn Davies, mz; Jonathan Cohen/Argento (Hyperion)
HYP 68111 $19.99
L.S.B. of the French Suites / Murrain Peraiah
Artists: Murray Perahia (Pno). (2 CD) (Deutsche Grammophon)
2 DGG B002575402 $42.96
Brahms: Songs / Matthias Goerne, baritone
Works: Brahms: Four Serious Songs; Songs and Romances, Op. 32
Artists: Matthias Goerne (Bar) (1 CD) (Harmonia Mundi)
HAR 902230 $22.99

The 2017 Award Winners
Music from the Italian States, “The Italian Job”
Works: Abinoni: Concerto à cinque; Antonio Caldara: Sinfonia in C major; Corelli: Sinfonia; Tartini: Violin Concerto in E; Torelli, Vivaldi et al. Artists: Adrian Chandler/La Serenissima (Orch.) (1 CD) (Avie)
AIE 2371 $17.99
J.S. Bach: Cantatas Nos. 52, 54, 82, 170 / Jestyn Davies, countertenor
Artists: Jestyn Davies (CtTrn); Jonathan Cohen/Archange (Hyperion)
2 CHA 10904 $18.99

Music of John Dowland / Phantasm
Works: John Dowland (1563-1626): Lachrimae, for 5 viola & lute Artists: Phantasm (Viol Consort); Elizabeth Kenny, lute (1 SY Hybrid CD) (Linn) LINN 527 $22.99
L.J.S. Bach: The French Suites / Murray Peraiah
Artists: Murray Perahia (Pno). (2 CD) (Deutsche Grammophon)
2 DGG B002575402 $42.96
Brahms: Songs / Matthias Goerne, baritone
Works: Brahms: Four Serious Songs; Songs and Romances, Op. 32 Artists: Matthias Goerne (Bar) (1 CD) (Harmonia Mundi)
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In War & Peace / Joyce DiDonato, mz
Works: Arias of Handel, Purcell, Leo, Jommelli, Monteverdi Artists: Joyce DiDonato (Mzz Sop) (1 CD) (Warner Classics)
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Haydn: Symphonies Nos. 4, 60, 70, 12
Artists: Giovanni Antonini/Il Giardino Armonico. Riccardo Novaro (Bar) (1 CD) (Alpha Productions)
AHP 674 $18.99

Alban Berg: Wozzeck / Zürich Opera [BR or DVD]
(BR) ACTS 10363 $38.99 (DVD) ACTS 20363 $24.99

Shostakovich: Symphony No. 8
Artists: Gennady Rozhdestvensky/London PO. (1 CD) (LPO)
LPO 0069 $18.99 $7.60
Shostakovich’s Eighth Symphony is a powerful work and today stands as a chilling reminder of some of the darkest days of the 20th century. This live 1983 concert recording was made at Royal Festival Hall.

Turnage: Songs for voice and orchestra
Works: Mark-Anthony Turnage (b.1960): Hidden Love Song; The Torn Fields; Twice Through the Heart Artists: Marin Alsop/London PO. Gerald Finley; Sarah Connolly; Adrian Graham; John McCusker (sax). (1 CD) (LPO)
LPO 0031 $18.99 $7.60
Here three works by London Philharmonic Orchestra Composer in Residence Mark-Anthony Turnage offer strikingly different glimpses of the human interface: a chilling first-person account of marital murder, a touchingly titled musical gift and an acerbic view of the destruction of war.

Janáček: Glagolitic Mass; Schubert: Symphony no 8
Artists: Kurt Masur/London PO. Zdena Kloubova, sop; Karen Cargill, mz; Pavol Breslik, ten; Gustáv Beláček, bass; David Goode, organ (1 CD) (LPO)
LPO 0029 $18.99 $7.60
Recorded live at the Royal Albert Hall during the 2004 BBC Proms, these performances under the LPO’s principal conductor Kurt Masur capture both the atmosphere of the Proms season and the essence of the works.

McCabe & Arnold: Works for Orchestra
LPO 0023 $18.99 $7.60
The London Philharmonic Orchestra has enjoyed relationships with some of the most distinguished composers of the last seventy-five years. None were closer to the ensemble than Malcolm Arnold, who began his musical career from within its very ranks.

The Post-War Revival / Eduard Van Beinum
Van Beinum/London PO. Euphorion Tareeka (Mz) (1 CD) (LPO)
LPO 0011 $18.99 $7.60
Eduard van Beinum followed in the footsteps of Sir Thomas Beecham in 1949. This disc demonstrates his eclecticism and enthusiasm for British music.

Saraste conducts Sibelius & Lutoslawski
Works: Witold Lutoslawski (1913-1994): Concerto for Orchestra; Sibelius: Pohjola’s daughter, Op. 45; Symphony no 5 Artists: Jukka-Pekka Saraste/London PO (1 CD) (LPO)
LPO 0057 $18.99 $7.60
This disc showcases works for which both Sibelius and Lutoslawski are best remembered. Lutoslawski’s Concerto for Orchestra, while drawing on the avant-garde, has immediate listener appeal.

Brahms: German Requiem / Nézet-Séguin
Artists: Yannick Nézet-Séguin. Stéphane Degout (Voice); Elizabeth Watts (Voice). (1 CD) (LPO)
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In the young Canadian’s hands, Brahms’ uplifting choral masterpiece is marked by astutely judged tempi, delivered with the utmost care, captured live on this recording.

Elgar: Enigma Variations, etc; Britten
Works: Britten: Our Hunting Fathers; Elgar: Introduction and Allegro for String Quartet and String Orchestra; Variations on an Original Theme Artists: Bernard Haitink/London PO. Heather Harper (Sop) (1 CD) (LPO)
LPO 0002 $18.99 $7.60
It is the wonderful combination of Auden’s poetry, Britten’s music and Heather Harper’s extraordinary vocal agility and incisiveness that makes this interpretation of Britten’s ‘Our Hunting Fathers’ so memorable.

Bax: Tintagel; Rachmaninov: Symphony no 3
Artists: Osmo Vänskä/London PO (1 CD) (LPO)
LPO 0036 $18.99 $7.60
Rachmaninov’s third and most expressive symphony is a work of intense lyricism, unified by a melancholic and emotional melody.
Naxos: Music of the Baroque On Sale

The Lully Effect / Barthold Kuijken

G.F. Handel: Messiah [2 CDs]
Artists: Jennifer O’Loughlin, Diana Moore, Nicholas Phan, Sidney Outlaw, Edward Polchick/ Baltimore SO & Chorale
2 NXS 8573798 $22.99
The vivid choral writing - there are more choruses in Messiah than in any other Handel oratorio - coupled with the expressive density of the solo arias, have ensured its status as one of the greatest choral masterpieces in the Western canon.

J.S. Bach: Christmas Oratorio [2 CDs]
Artists: Georg Poplutz, Julia Kleiter, Katharina Magiera, Thomas E Bauer, Ralf Otto/Bachchor Mainz; Bachorchester Mainz. (2 CD) (Naxos (USA))
2 NXS 8574001 $22.99
This recording follows the April 2018 release of Bach’s St. John Passion with the Bach Choir and Orchestra of Mainz conducted by Ralf Otto. MusicWeb International wrote: "the Bachor Mainz is a line ensemble: it shows great flexibility in those tuttis which are performed at high speed, and produces a surprisingly transparent sound, also thanks to the good acoustic of the Christuskirche in Mainz."

J.S. Bach: Complete Works for Lute
Artists: Yasunori Imamura, Baroque lute (2 CD) (Naxos (USA))
2 NXS 8573936 $22.99
Yasunori Imamura’s more than 140 solo recordings have received excellent reviews in various audio magazines, with the Diapason d’or award and Joker de Crescendo awards for his recordings of Weiss’ Lute Sonatas.

Artists: Jessica Rivera, Michaela Martens, Nicholas Phan, Kelly Markgraf. Giancarlo Guerrero/Nashville SO & Chorus
NXS 8559841 $11.99
Completed in the wake of the 9/11 attacks, Harbison’s Requiem is full of dramatic passages from singers and musicians alike, with abundant opportunities for vocal soloists, brass and percussion to shine.

4 Woods + 1 Sax Play transcriptions of Mozart, Ravel, Rameau
Works: Rameau: Suite: La Triomphante; Mozart: Fantasia in F minor, K.608; Ravel: Le Tombeau de Couperin Artists: Vienna Reed Quintet
NXS 8579021 $9.99
With its unique combination of cor Anglais, oboe, clarinet, soprano & alto sax, bass clarinet and bassoon, the Vienna Reed Quintet creates a new and refreshing sound that differs significantly from that of the conventional wind quintet.

New Releases in Brief
Henri Dutilleux (1916–2013): Symphony No. 1; Metaboles; Les Citations
Jean-Claude Casadesus/Orchestre National de Lille
Jean-Claude Casadesus’ 30 albums with the Lille Orchestra have won critical and public acclaim.

Alexander Moyzes: Symphony Nos. 5 & 6
Artists: Ladislav Slovak/Slovak Radio SO
NXS 8573562 $9.99
There are definite folk inflections, all incisively propelled by the late Ladislav Slovak and his orchestra.

F.J. Haydn: 10 Little Piano Pieces; Menuett for solo piano / Jeno Jando
Artists: Jeno Jando (pno)
NXS 8573933 $9.99
“Jando’s years of experience and muscular playing fill these works with vivacious life.” - Audophile Audition

Ferdinand Ries (1784–1838): Sonatas for Violin & Piano Vol. 3, Opp. 18, 38 No. 3 & 8
Artists: Eric Grossman (vln); Susan Kagan (pno)
NXS 8573862 $11.99
Violinist Eric Grossman is a versatile performer hailed for his flawless technique, superb musicianship.

Liszt: Complete Piano Music, Vol. 51 / Goran Filipce, piano
Works: Liszt: Poems; Consolations; Sposalizio
NXS 8573794 $11.99
The Consolations include a melody that later became Liszt’s First Hungarian Rhapsody.
Alfonso Ferrabosco the Younger (c.1575-1628): Music for consort and lyra viol

Artists: Romina Lischka/Hathor Consort (1 CD) (Ramee) RME 1806 $18.99
Following the steps of his father, composer Alfonso Ferrabosco the Elder, the son continued the specifically English “In Nomine” tradition for viol consort into the seventeenth century while developing his own innovative counterpoint perfectly adapted to the viol.

The Lost Music of Canterbury [5 CDs]
Artists: Scott Metcalfe/Blue Heron. (5 CD) (Blue Heron Records) 5 BHRC 1008 $69.99
The set includes mostly world premiere recordings and features masses by Nicholas Ludford, antiphons by Hugh Aston and Richard Pygott, the complete surviving works of Robert Jones, and the gifted though previously completely unknown composers Hugh Sturmy and Robert Hunt, and all but one of the surviving works of John Mason.

Baroque Period

Peaceful Bach: Bach’s Most Relaxing Melodies
Artists: Murray Perahia, Avi Avital, Albrecht Mayer, Lisa Batiashvili, Hélène Grimaud, Alicia de Larrocha, Hilary Hahn, Mischa Maisky, Martha Argerich et al. Emerson String Quartet; English Concert; Orpheus CO. (2 CD) (Deutsche 2 DGG 4835924 $22.99
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Artists: Yo-Yo Ma (clo) (2 CD) (Sony Classical) 2 SNY 19075845652 $16.99 On Sale
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New Classical Releases

J.S. Bach: Secular Cantatas, Vol. 10 / Suzuki
Artists: Carolyn Sampson, Robin Blaze, Makoto Sakurada, Dominik Worner. Masaaki Suzuki/Bach Collegium Japan (1 SA Hybrid CD) (BIS) BIS 2351 $17.99 On Sale ‘After 23 years of a steady diet of Bach Cantatas, to be without them is brutal and cruel. All the better, then, that we have finished on a high point. Carolyn Sampson’s singing in the solo cantata BWV 204 beggars belief - it is as close to Heaven one can come to hear on Earth.” - Robert von Bahr, CEO BIS Records

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Artists: Isabel Pavilla (rcdr); Roberto Alonso Alvarez (clo); Guilio Quirici (theorbo); Jean Rivil (hps) BLC 95572 $12.99 The dance movements here often have an English flavour that is reminiscent of Purcell, but otherwise Dieupart’s French heritage predominates in the lively formality of his melodies.

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New Classical Releases

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Works: Francesco Nicola Fago (1677-1745): Cantatas & Ariettas for Solo Voice; Toccatas Nos. 1 & 2 Artists: Ricardo Strano; Claudio Mastrangelo; Sabino Manzo/Ensemble Barocco della Capella Musicale (1 CD) (Toccata) T0C 0831 $16.99 On Sale

Haydn: Symphonies; Mozart: Sinfonia Concertante
Works: Haydn: Symphonies Nos. 49 & 87; Mozart: Sinfonia Concertante for violin & viola Artists: Harry Christophers/Handel and Haydn Society (1 CD) (Coro) COO 1616 $16.99 On Sale Mozart’s elegiac and richly beautiful Sinfonia Concertante is performed by H+H’s concertmaster Assilin Nosky and viola player Max Mandel. Handel and Haydn Society is America’s oldest continuously operating arts organization.

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Artists: Riccardo Minasi, Cornelia Gunther; Jannet van der Heijden; Veronique Mathieu (1 CD) (Coro) The recording was made at the Marionette Theatre of the Esterhazy Castle, where the pieces were composed. Capella Sarsaria, Hungary’s oldest period instrument chamber orchestra, was founded by Pal Nemeth in 1981.

Haydn: Theatrical Sonatas
Artists: Luigi Tomasini; the Estherhazy orchestra’s concert-master, while the Cello Concerto No. 1 was composed for Joseph Franz Weigl, its principal cellist. It is fitting that the principal violinist and cellist of Gli incogniti are the soloists in these performances.

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Works: Matthew Locke (c.1621-1677): Suites nos 1-6 from Consort of four parts; Canons; Suite no 1 in C minor Artists: Elizabeth Kerpry (theorbo); Phantasm (1 CD) (Linn Records) LINN 594 $18.99 Phantasm adds to its critically-acclaimed repertory of English viol consort music with the first recording in what will be a series exploring the music of Matthew Locke.

Francesco Bartolomeo Conti (1681-1732):
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Michael Haydn: Die Wahrheit der Natur, Singspiel
Artists: Maximilian Kiener (trn); Armin Gramer (alt); Lina Ferencz (alt); Nele Grams (mez); Diana Passe (sop). Wolfgang Brunner/Salzburger Hofmusik (1 CD) (CPO) CPO 555020 $16.99 A apathy for enthusiasm and an absolute commitment to achievement: these were the outstanding qualities of the musicians who formed the Deutsche Kammerakademie Neuss am Rhein forty years ago, and the same traits will be encountered on this release.

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Mozart: Sinfonia Concertante
Works: Haydn: Violin Concerto Hob. Vila: 1 & 4; Cello Concerto Hob. Vllb:1 Artists: Marco Ceccato (clo); Amandine Beyer (vn). Gli incogniti are the soloists in these performances.
Mozart: Symphonies Nos. 40 & 41 / Blomstedt

Artists: Herbert Blomstedt/Philadelphia Orchestra

Works: Mozart: Symphonies (2) in G minor, K 183 & 550; Sonata for 2 Pianos, K 448. Released on Hyperion's Hyperion catalog.

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Symphonic Era

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Artists: Emmanuel Despax (pno); Eugene Tzige/BBC Scottish SO (1 CD) (Hyperion)

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Artists: Andrea Kauten (pno); Adam Medvecz/Savaria SO (2 CD) (Solo Musica) 2 SOLO 284 $29.99

Pianist Andrea Kauten’s playing is poetic, subdued, richly expressive, but always eminently creative and always in keeping with the demands of the music.

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Artists: Stuttgart Winds (1 CD) (CPO) CPO 55045 $16.99

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Born in Bergamo in 1822, Alfredo Piatti was to the cello what Nicolo Pagani was to the violin: a musician who extended the possibilities of his instrument in performance and who inspired countless composers to do the same in writing for it.

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Artists: Quartetto Bazzini (1 CD) (Tactus)

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Berlioz: Grande Messe des Morts, for soloist, choir & orchestra

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His Grande Messe des morts, notorious for its requirement of four brass bands in addition to a large orchestra and chorus, taken here from live concerts, has often been seen as one of the most emotionally powerful works of its kind.

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The recording is brilliant without being aggressively so, and has plenty of weight (with splendid brass sonorities in Night on the Bare Mountain) plus an effective ambience. In short, this is excellent value and does much to recommend the L.S.O series. (Gramophone).

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Songs: Catharsis; Hot Sausage; Cherokee; Little John; 63rd Street; Wade in The Water; Meditation; So Tired; Good Bait; Low Gravy; Soft and Furry; Left Alone; The Lndonerry Air et al.
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Featuring eight fully-remastered albums, containing in total more than five hours of music, this set can serve as both a fitting introduction to this truly exceptional player, and a welcome reminder for jazz fans of what an inspiring and influential musician the man dubbed the fastest tenor in the west really was at this time.

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Songs: Easy to Love; For Some Friends; I Never Knew; Original; Blues Greasy; After Hours; Be-Bop; We; Dark Eyes; Au Private; The Gypsy; Moten Swing; Easy Does It; Angel Eyes et al.
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Songs: Have Horn Will Before; The Chef; Old Devil Moon; But Not For Me; The Rev; Skillet; I Surrender Dear; Dansero; Jaws; Walk Away; Simmerin’; and many more
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Presented here with delightful, remastered audio and in their completion, the set includes over five hours of extraordinary music, and serves as the perfect introduction to this musician’s contributions to the jazz genre, as well as a welcome reminder of a musician whose enormous contributions to the jazz genre are, on occasion, criminally overlooked.

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Songs: Decision; Sonnysphere; Misterioso; Poor Butterfly; Come; Gone; Wagon Wheels; Way Out West; Just In Time; The Last Time I Saw Paris; Just In Time; Toot; Toot; Tootsie; Dearly Beloved et al.
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In 1959 Wes Montgomery was signed to the Riverside Records label, and remained there until late in 1963, just before the company went bankrupt. The recordings made during this period are widely considered by fans and jazz historians to be Montgomery’s best and most influential, and it’s from this era that these recordings are drawn.
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